

Recopilamos las principales líneas de trabajo, eventos, actividades y publicaciones que han contribuido a la formación ambiental y micológica de la ciudadanía de Albacete y áreas próximas. Todo este trabajo ha sido impulsado por el IEA y la UP de Albacete. La Sociedad Micológica de Albacete (SMA) ha surgido de esta colaboración entre entidades y personas interesadas, siendo el catalizador de estas relaciones desde su origen en 2001.

Resultado de esta colaboración ha sido la creación del herbario micológico SMA-ALBA, integrado en el herbario oficial ALBA. Gracias a la información almacenada en su base de datos, se ha incrementado notablemente el conocimiento de la micobiota de Albacete, pasando de 459 taxones de ascomicetes y basidiomicetes, en el primer catálogo publicado, a los 723 registrados en la actualidad.

**Palabras clave:** Albacete, ciencia ciudadana, etnomicología, educación ambiental.

## ABSTRACT

The development of knowledge in various branches of science is often supported by the activity of people who are interested in Science topic. The information and knowledge volume that they provide could hardly be obtained by scientists alone. This has now come to be called citizen science, and it is part of what mycological societies have been putting into practice for many years. Another aspect, no less important, is the dissemination of mycological knowledge at a popular level, focused mainly on good practices in the use of this natural resource.

We present a synthesis of the mycological dissemination developed in the province of Albacete, the result of the collaboration of different entities and institutions. We start from its origins, in the 90s of the last century, to the present, taking as an initial milestone the publication, by the Don Juan Manuel Institute of Albacete Studies (IEA) in 1992, of the updated Catalog of superior fungi from the province of Albacete, a work directed by Mario Honrubia, from Almansa, to whom we pay a posthumous tribute in this article.

We compile the main lines of work, events, activities and publications that have contributed to the environmental and mycological training of the citizens of Albacete and nearby areas. All this work has been promoted by the IEA and the Popular University (UP) of Albacete. The Mycological Society of Albacete (SMA) has emerged from this collaboration between entities and interested persons, being the catalyst of these relationships since its origin in 2001.