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#### LINKS

Spanish National Association of Ciliopathies: <http://anasbaticiliopatas.org/>

Spanish Alström syndrome association: <https://www.facebook.com/Alstromespana/?fref=ts>