





## Characterizing and understanding neighborhoods in relation to health: urban food environment in Madrid



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## Challenges and opportunities for urban health research in our complex and unequal cities

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	At least 50% effort		
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## Social and Physical Urban environments and Cardiovascular Health: The much needed population approach



Manuel Franco MD, PhD ERC Starting Grant 2014 Desigualdades en el entorno alimentario de centros educativos en Madrid



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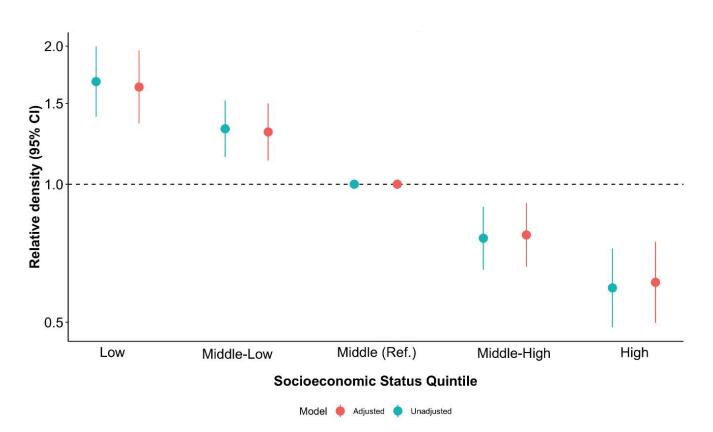
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## Socioeconomic Inequalities in the Retail Food Environment around Schools in a Southern European Context

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## Desigualdades en el entorno alimentario de centros educativos en Madrid



**Figure 2.** Multilevel negative binomial regression modelling neighborhood-level socioeconomic status with counts of unhealthy outlets around schools in Madrid (2017) before and after adjusting for population density.

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## Manuel Franco, Madrid Food and Health Qualitative analyses

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#### Urban environment and dietary behaviours as perceived by residents living in socioeconomically diverse neighbourhoods: A qualitative study in a Mediterranean context



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#### ABSTRACT

Scholars have determined that low socioeconomic status (SES) is associated with unhealthy dietary behaviours and that local food environments shape food inequality. Less is known about how residents' perceptions of their food environment affect their dietary behaviours. We conducted 37 semistructured interviews and 29 focus groups in three socioeconomically distinct neighbourhoods in Madrid. We identified the following main categories related to social and physical food environments: (a) perceptions of healthy and unhealthy dietary behaviours, (b) children's relationships with food, (c) precariousness and (d) residential food retailer types. Older adults were perceived as healthier consumers, whereas younger people were identified as fast-food consumers. In the low- and middle-SES neighbourhoods, residents saw home-cooked legume-based stews as healthy food. In the high-SES neighbourhood, television cooking programs were highlighted as a positive influence. In the low- and middle-SES neighbourhoods, grandparents played an essential role in the transmission of healthy eating habits to their grandchildren. In the high-SES neighbourhood, children's diets at home were determined by school menus. In the low- and middle-SES neighbourhoods, participants talked about a black market where food could be purchased. Food retailers with low-quality foods were also highlighted. In all neighbourhoods, residents missed traditional food stores, and in the low- and middle-SES neighbourhoods, immigrant-run food stores were not well accepted. Our study presents the concepts shaping how neighbourhood SES differences affect dietary behaviours according to residents of a large Mediterranean city.





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## The mismatch between observational measures and residents' perspectives on the retail food environment: a mixed-methods approach in the Heart Healthy Hoods study

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Conclusions: People's experienced retail food environment is different from the one quantitatively analysed. Results show the potential of using a mixed-methods approach to enrich food environment research and enhance public health interventions.





# A participatory action research project to improve the urban food

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- Diez J, et al. Health and Place,
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## Manuel Franco Urban Health **Child Health**



Protocol

### Influence of home/school environments on children's obesity, diet, and physical activity: the SUECO study protocol

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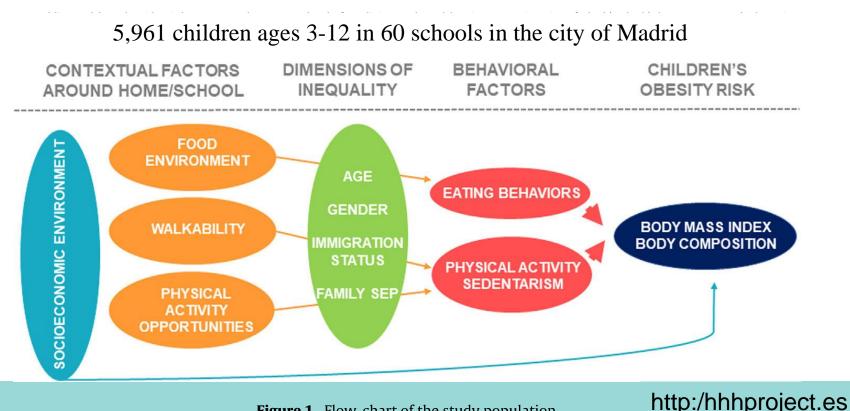


Figure 1. Flow-chart of the study population.



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**Project Title** 

SCHOOLFOOD4CHANGE: SHIFTING SCHOOL MEALS AND SCHOOLS INTO A NEW PARADIGM, ADDRESSING PUBLIC HEALTH AND TERRITORIAL, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESILIENCE



Work programme topics addressed:

Building a low-carbon, climate resilient future: Research and innovation in support of the European Green Deal (H2020-LC-GD-2020) – subtopic F

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5	University of Gastronomic Sciences of Pollenzo (UNISG) Italy					
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7	IFOAM - Organics Europe (IFOAM) Sweden					
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20	Municipality of Essen/Stadt Essen (ESS) Germany					
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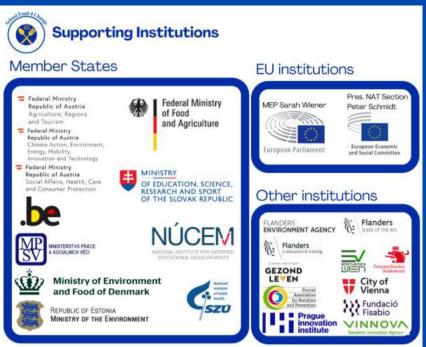
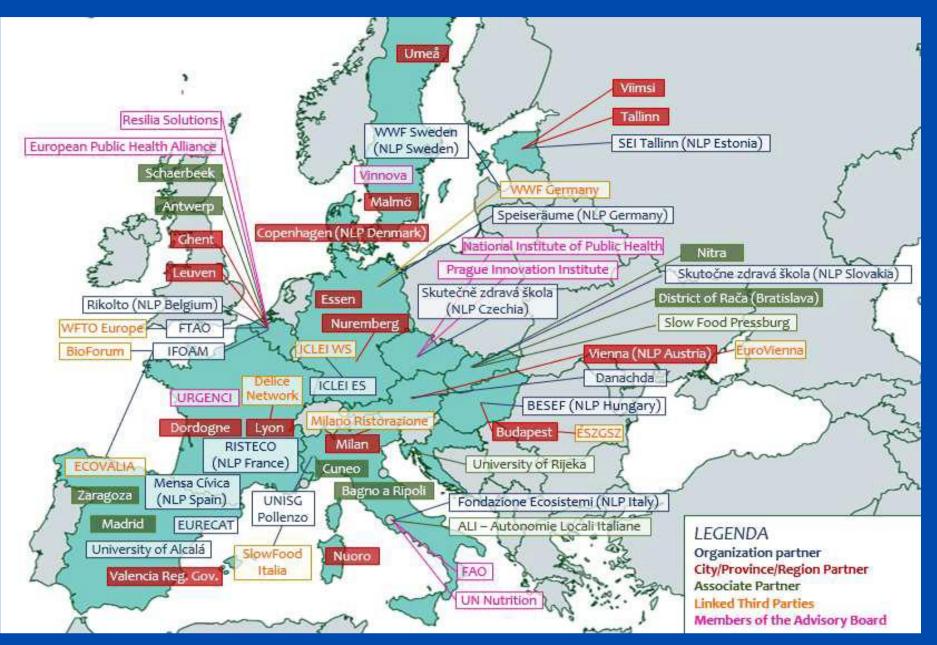


Figure 1.2. Overview of entities that submitted official Letters of Support for SF4C

Budget Total: 12 000 000 € UAH: 300 000 €





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## Digital labour platforms and its effects on health and well-being: a mixed-method project of gig workers in Sweden

**PI: Nurilla Matilla-Santander** 

**KICK-OFF MEETING** 

January 20, 2022



**Project title:** Digital labour platforms and its effects on health and well-being: a mixed-method project of gig workers in Sweden.

**Project start:** 2022-01-01

Project end: 2025-12-31

Review panel applied for: AH 2021, AO 2021, FH 2021 1

Classification code: 30303. Occupational Health and Environmental Health

**Keywords:** Platform work, Digital labour platforms, Mixed-method study, Occupational determinant of health, Precarious employment

Funds applied	d for				
Year:	2022	2023	2024	2025 Total	I amount applied
Amount:	1,344,830 1,3	304,830 1,	279,830 8	399,530	4,829,020
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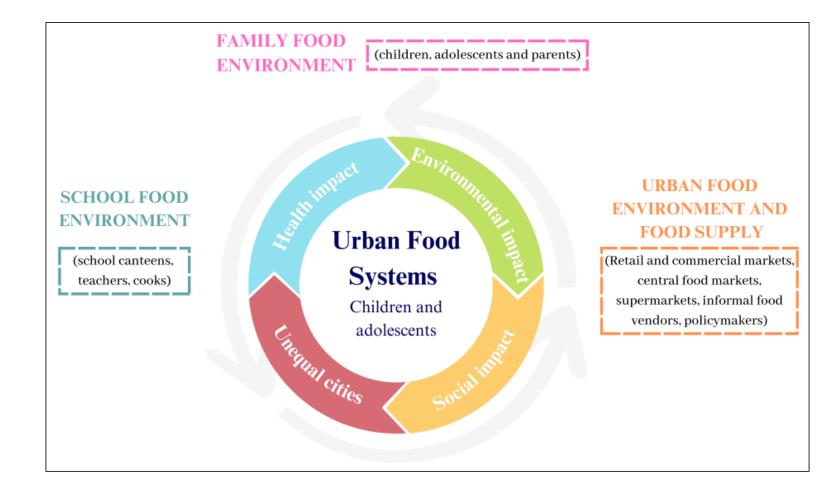


## Manuel Franco, Madrid Urban Food Systems research





Figure B2.2. "EAT4FUTURE" proposal framework for urban food systems for children and adolescents with the main environments and the three complementary health, environmental and social impacts.



Sources: Adapted from Raza et al. 2020<sup>10</sup>, UNICEF 2020<sup>27</sup> and the School Food 4 Change project<sup>28</sup>





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## **Urban Food and Health**

Urban Food Systems: health, environment, comercial determinants, decent work

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