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Title: From Montreal to Madrid: Update of the Data on Spanish Supercentenarians

Abstract: This paper presents the results of our efforts to verify the recorded data on the age of Spaniards reputed to have lived beyond the age of 110, and who died between January of 1987 and November of 2009.

Our research has increased the availability in recent years of the data on mortality at extreme ages, which allows for a greater dynamism when applying the IDL methodology. This greater frequency of data reception from official sources (INE) has also been obtained with reference to the data for the living population over the age of 100. Our results, which include new age verifications for supercentenarians and new available data on semi-supercentenarians, have been added to the International Database of Longevity.

In addition to providing this update, our analysis emphasizes two key factors: the sex ratio of supercentenarians and the observed tendency with regard to death at extreme ages since the 1970s.