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We are a visual artist partnership from Spain working together since 2002. We met in 1998 at the Art University in Barcelona and came to Berlin with the grants *Ajuts a Artistes*, Government of Catalonia (2002) and *Injuve*, Ministry of Work and Social Issues (2003). We attended the University for the Arts Berlin (UdK), and since completing the *Meisterschüler*, we have been based in Berlin, making the most of the artist-friendly attitude of the city.

We work together across the fields of installation, photography and video. We generally begin with a haphazard visual and theoretical research, which we call the “crazy-sociologist” method. Through this research, and a process of dialogue, it becomes clear what the main interests and possible aims of the work are (if there are any!) Frequently making use of humour and irony, we approach in equal measure important or banal matters of society. Our dialogue and playful investigation lead to the materialization of simple interventions, small objects and new inventions, using materials ranging from kitchen objects and cheap veneer to business coaching workshops and police promotional videos.

We have frequently worked in collaborative projects with sociologists, architects and artists. For example, we realized a project with an architect about the lack of housing for young people in Barcelona, and with a Spanish writer we produced an investigation about the popular mascot *Snowflake*, the white gorilla from Barcelona Zoo.