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In Switzerland and in Europe scientific research remains essentially male

Neuchâtel, 07.12.2009 (FSO) – **Although science is no longer a male prerogative, an analysis by the Federal Statistical Office (FSO) of the European Commission's publication "She Figures 2009" shows that in Switzerland, as elsewhere in Europe, gender equality has not yet been accomplished in this domain. While the numbers show that women's participation in scientific research has generally been growing at a faster rate than men's over the past decade, this trend has not yet led to gender equality, either in Switzerland or in the rest of Europe.**

Published every three years, since 2003 "She Figures" has presented indicators on women's participation in scientific research in Europe. It is used by the European Union as a point of reference to evaluate progress towards gender equality in this field. The figures presented here refer mainly to data from 2006 and 2007.

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