

Research topic: **Towards a circular city: Women and urban agriculture in the metropolitan region of Santiago, Chile.**

Research line: Urban agriculture

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The role of women in Urban Agriculture (UA) has been a determining factor in its development. UA allows them to increase their possibilities for socioeconomic development and eliminates restrictions they face in accessing and controlling resources and services. UA is a growing activity in Chilean cities, but women's participation is often under-analyzed or relegated to the background.

So, is necessary to investigate women's capacity for transformation and innovation in UA, in areas such as production, diversification, decision making, among others, and how these elements contribute to their food security and that of their families.

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Main aim: To analyze the main motivations of female UA practitioners and the challenges they face in the metropolitan area of Santiago, Chile, through empirical research.

MAIN TASKS:

- To analyze surveys of UA systems in Santiago, Chile.
- To conduct interviews in Spanish with female UA practitioners.
- To extracting lessons learned from the various experiences developed in the metropolitan region of Santiago, where women are prominent actors.