

Frances Haugen says Facebook's algorithms are dangerous. Here's why. | MIT Technology Review

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On Sunday night, the primary source for the Wall Street Journal's Facebook Files, an investigative series based on internal Facebook documents, revealed her identity in an episode of *60 Minutes*.

Frances Haugen, a former product manager at the company, says she came forward after she saw Facebook's leadership repeatedly prioritize profit over safety.

Before quitting in May of this year, she combed through Facebook Workplace, the company's internal employee social media network, and gathered a wide swath of internal reports and research in an attempt to conclusively demonstrate that Facebook had willfully chosen not to fix the problems on its platform.

Today she testified in front of the Senate on the impact of Facebook on society. She reiterated many of the findings from the internal research and implored Congress to act.

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