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Qui a fait le tour de quoi?

*L'affaire Magellan*



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## Who Discovered What?

The Magellan Affair

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Romain Bertrand invites readers to revisit the story of Magellan, showing that the Portuguese explorer was less pivotal than usually believed.

Imagine a rousing saga of heroes, traitors, and distant isles full of danger. Imagine a sweeping epic spanning two oceans, bound by a strait, a place of glory and giants. Imagine a cruel tale involving native peoples, a few sultans, and a witch brandishing a bloody knife. A tale, or rather an accounting: a story true in every last detail. History, in fact.

We have always been told this story – the history of Ferdinand Magellan and Juan Sebastián Elcano – as one of daring and derring-do, the triumphant entrance of Europe the conquering hero into modernity. But what if it were... otherwise?

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