

**XXI Edition of the José Antonio García Domínguez Awards  
Spanish Society of Chromatography and Related Techniques  
(SECyTA)**



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The XXI edition of the José Antonio García Domínguez Awards aims to recognize the scientific value of communications, both oral and poster presentations, in the field of Chromatography and Related Techniques, presented by young SECyTA researchers at 1<sup>º</sup> *Congreso de Análisis Instrumental -CAI2026-* (XXV Scientific Meeting of the Spanish Society of Chromatography and Related Techniques), to be held on 21–24 July 2026 in Salamanca.

These awards seek to honor the memory of Prof. José Antonio García Domínguez, a researcher at Rocasolano Institute of Physical Chemistry (CSIC), a pioneer in gas chromatography in Spain and one of the founding members of the Group of Chromatography and Related Techniques (GCTA, currently known as SECyTA).

In this edition, the awards will consist of the following prizes:

- Award for the best oral communication: 800 €
- Award for the best poster communication: 400 €
- Award for the second-best poster communication: 300 €
- Award for the third-best poster communication: 300 €

The terms of the José Antonio García Domínguez Awards are the following:

- 1) The awards are aimed at young researchers who are currently members of SECyTA. SECyTA Organizing Committee considers young researchers those who are conducting their doctoral thesis or developing a research work and who have obtained their Bachelor degree less than 6 years ago, or who have defended their Master Thesis or equivalent less than 5 years ago. For PhD young researchers, SECyTA Organizing Committee understands those who have obtained their PhD 5 years ago maximum.
- 2) Young researchers who have previously received José Antonio García Domínguez Award in the same category in one of the last two editions will not be eligible for the XXI Edition.
- 3) The jury will consist of members of the Scientific Committee and/or SECyTA Governing Board. SECyTA Organizing Committee might ask for information from experts on specific topics if needed.
- 4) All communications submitted for award qualification have to be presented in English.
- 5) The winning communications will be selected from all those presented at the José Antonio García Domínguez Award.
- 6) The winning communications will be announced at the Closing Ceremony of the CAI2026, which will be held on July 24, 2026.
- 7) The awards for both the best oral communication and poster, includes the commitment to submit to the journal *Cromatografía y Técnicas Afines de SECyTA* (Boletín) a bibliographic review (non remunerated) within the 12 months following receipt of the award.

Those young SECyTA researchers who wish to be considered for the award must write an email to Dr. Núria Fontanals Torroja, Secretary of SECyTA, ([secretaria@secyta.es](mailto:secretaria@secyta.es)), with the following information:

- a. Young researcher's name
- b. Communication: Type (oral or poster), authors and title.