# RESEARCH TEAM FOR SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION IN CANTABRIA







2019 ACTIVITY

# SOSPROCAN TEAM



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The **SOSPROCAN team** hosts more than 60 researchers of the University of Cantabria with background in the analysis, design and optimization of environmental and production processes.

The aim of this team is to develop cutting-edge research to progress the sustainability and innovation of production, energy and environmental processes.

The members of SOSPROCAN team belong to four research groups:

## **DEPRO Research Group**

- Head of the Group:
- Prof. Ángel Irabien Gulías

# **ASP Research Group**

- Head of the Group:
- Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

# **TAB Research Group**

- Head of the Group:
- Prof. Ane Urtiaga Mendía

#### **IPS Research Group**

- Head of the Group
- Prof. Raquel Ibáñez Mendizábal

# **New Head of the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department**

Prof. Ane Urtiaga was nominated as Head of the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department. The event, chaired by the Rector of the University of Cantabria, Prof. Ángel Pazos, took place on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019. A representative group of researchers of the Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering Department wanted to share with her this moment.





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# MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES



# DEPARTMENT

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# **Department Council**

- Academic and Research satff: 35 members
- Research staff (doctorate students, others) (20%): 11 members
- Master Students (max. 5%): 1 member
- Undergraduate Students (max. 10%): 2 members
- Administration (5%): 3 members

# **Permanent Commission**

- Director of the Department
- Deputy Director of the Department
- Department Council Secretary
- 5 representatives of the PDEI PhD
- 2 representatives of the PDI No PhD
- 1 representative of master and undergraduate students
- 1 representative of the Administrative personnel

# PARTICIPATION IN UC MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

UC Senate Members			
Members of the Department	Total Members		
7	302		

ETSIIT Faculty Members			
Members of the Department	Total Members		
6	102		



	Research Commission of the UC	Quality Commission of the UC		Doctorate Commission of the UC			
	Vice Dean of the ETSIIT	Deputy S	ub-director o	of the ETSIIT / Coordinator of Academic			
	Exchanges						
Pos	graduate Commission of the ETSIIT (2)	Quality Commission of the ETSIIT (3)		Quality Commission of the Doctorate School			
Coordinator of the Doctorate Program in Chemical, Energy and Process			ocess	Coordinator of the Master in Chemical			
	Engineering			Engineering			
		students repr	resentatives of the Doctorate School (2)				

Academic Commission of the Doctoral Studies in Chemical, Energy and Process

Engineering (9)

Academic Commission of the Master in Chemical Engineering (3) Quality C

**Quality Commission of the Master in Chemical Engineering (5)** 

**Academic Commission of the Chemical Engineering Degree (5)** 

**Quality Commission of the Chemical Engineering Degree (3)** 

**Academic Commission of the Industrial Engineering Degree** 

President of the PDI Labour
Committee

**UC Occupational Health and Safety Commission** 

PDI board of the UC

Scientific Director of the chromatography service (SerCrom) of the Scientific and Technical Research Services of the UC

# POSITIONS IN EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS



General Director of Universities, Research and Transfer of Cantabria Government

President of the Chemical Engineering Group of the RSEQ

International Academy and Research Evaluator: Slovenian Research Agency, Flandes: FWO Expert Panel, Science Foundation Ireland's, etc.

Editorial Board Applied Sciences, MPDI

Correspondent member of the Royal Academy of Sciences of Spain

Associate Editor of the Journal of Chemical Technology and Biotechnology

Member of the Assessment Committee "Engineering and Architecture" of UNIBASQ

Committee for the quality assessment of doctorate programs (AQU), Master Programs and research outcomes of the academic staff (UNIBASQ), research grants (IRCSET)





Member of PDI Acreditation Pannel UNIBASQ

Member of the Chemical Sciences and Technology (CTQ) panel, Spanish State Research Agency, Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities.

President of the Scientific Committee of the ERANET EIG Concert – Japan, Evaluation of proposals in 2019 Call Guest Editor in Separation & Purification Technology (Elsevier)

President of the Commission of Conferencia de Directores y Decanos de Ingeniería Química (CODDIQ)

Member of the Evaluation committee of CYTED 2019 (Programa Iberoamericano de Ciencia y Tecnología para el Desarrollo).

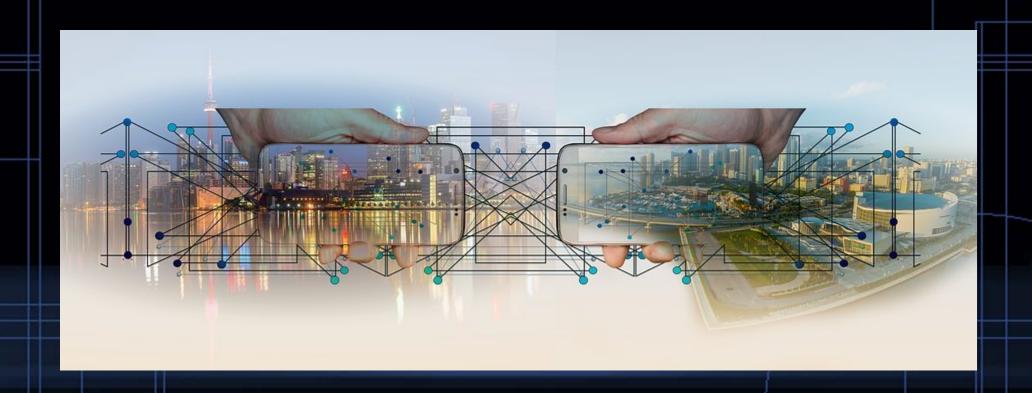
Evaluator for the Agencia Andaluza del Conocimiento – Call for the assessment of teaching activity, research and management of the academic and research personnel, of the public universities of Andalucía (May – June 2019)





Member of the Editorial Board of Membranes (MDPI)

# RESEARCH TOPICS







- CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Utilisation.
   Materials Circular Economy.
   Sustainability.
- ✓ R&D of Membrane Separation Processes.
- Sources and Characterization of Particulate Matter and its Components.
- ✓ Life Cycle Assessment Tools for Decision Support in Processess and Products



- High performance materials.
   Functionalized Magnetic
   Nanomaterials. High
   performance membranes.
- High Efficient Separation and Bio-separation Technologies
- ✓ Energy Sustainability: Blue Energy, Hydrogen



- ✓ Environmental Technologies
- ✓ Resource Efficiency: Hydrogen, SynGas, refrigerants
- Preparation & Characterization of Biocompatible Materials and bioreactors for Tissue Regeneration



- ✓ Electro-Membrane Technologies
- Quantitative assessment of PCDD/Fs formation in Engineering Process
- Development of advanced technologies for selective metal separation

# RESEARCH KNOWLEDGE SHARING CONSULTING







# TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE



# **STUDY PROGRAMMES**

# 5th Edition - Official Master in Chemical Engineering

The Official Master in Chemical Engineering is jointly taught BY THE University of Cantabria and the University of the Basque Country promoting an excellence training program with highly specialized Academics. The degree follows the previous editions of the Master in Chemical Engineering "Sustainable Production and Consumption" of the University of Cantabria and the Master in Chemical Process Engineering and Sustainable Development of the University of the Basque Country, both taught since 2007.

The master endorses the governmental guidelines for the profession of Chemical Engineer, registered in BOE A-2009-12977, June 8th, 2009. More info:

http://web.unican.es/centros/etsiit/Paginas/Master-Universitario-en-Ingenieria-Quimica.aspx





# **Doctoral Studies in Chemical, Energy and Process Engineering**

More info:

https://web.unican.es/estudios/detalle-doctorado?p=183&a=2017

# International Academic Exchange Socrates-Erasmus Programmes.

More info:

https://web.unican.es/unidades/oficina-relaciones-internacionales/estudiantes





# PROFESSIONAL PROMOTIONS

# **FULL PROFESSORS**

#### October 8th, 2019

Aurora Garea was promoted to Full Professor in Chemical Engineering. The evaluation committee was chaired by Prof. Javier León (UC), with the participation of Prof. Juan José Rodríguez (UAM), Prof. Aurora Santos (UCM), Prof. Ana Gayubo (UPV/EHU) and Prof. Raquel Ibáñez (UC).

#### October 28th, 2019

Ignacio Fernández was promoted to Full Professor in Chemical Engineering. The evaluation committee was chaired by Prof. Javier León (UC), with the participation of Prof. Juan José Rodríguez (UAM), Prof. Eloy García Calvo (UAH), Prof. Ana Gayubo (UPV/EHU) and Prof. Ane Urtiaga (UC).





# PROFESSIONAL PROMOTIONS: ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS

#### October 9th, 2019

Manuel Álvarez was promoted to Associate Professor in the area of Chemical Engineering. The evaluation committee was chaired by Dr. Mario Mañana Vice-Chancellor for Campus, Services and Sustainability of the UC, with the participation of Prof. Manuel Rodrigo (University of Castilla-La Mancha), Prof. Aurora Santos (Complutense University) and Prof. Ane Urtiaga and Dr. María Fresnedo San Román, from the University of Cantabria.



### October 17th, 2019

Alfredo Ortiz was promoted to Associate Professor in the area of Chemical Engineering. The evaluation committee was chaired by Dr. Mario Mañana (UC), with the participation of Prof. Juan Ramón González (University of the Basque Country), Prof. Jesús María Araúzo (University of Zaragoza), and Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz and Dr. María José Rivero, from the University of Cantabria



#### October 28th, 2019

**Clara Casado** was promoted to Associate Professor in the area of Chemical Engineering. The evaluation committee was chaired by Prof. Javier León, Vice-Chancelor for Research and Transfer of Knowledge of the UC, with the participation of Prof. Juan José Rodríguez (UAM), Prof. Ane Urtiaga (UC), Prof. Manuel Arruebo (UNIZAR), and Dr. Rubén Aldaco (UC).



#### October 29th, 2019

Eugenio Bringas was promoted to Associate Professor in the area of Chemical Engineering. The evaluation committee was chaired by Dr. Mario Mañana (UC), with the participation of Prof. Juan José Rodríguez (UAM), Prof. Ana Gayubo (UPV/EHU), Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz (UC) and Prof. Raquel Ibañez (UC).



# PROFESSIONAL PROMOTIONS: ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS

#### December 12th, 2019

**Nazely Diban** was promoted to a permanent position as Associate Professor in the area of Chemical Engineering of the University of Cantabria. The evaluation committee was formed by Mr. Mario Mañana Canteli, Vice-Chancellor for Campus, Services and Sustainability of the UC, Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe, Prof. Ane Urtiaga, Prof. E. Daniel Gorri and Dr. María José Rivero.



#### December 19th, 2019

**Antonio Domínguez** was proposed for promotion to a permanent position as Associate Professor in the area of Chemical Engineering of the University of Cantabria. The evaluation committee was formed by Mr. Mario Mañana Canteli (UC), Prof. Ane Urtiaga, Prof. Raquel Ibañez, Dr. María Fresnedo San Román and Dr. Rubén Aldaco.



# January 28th, 2019

Beatriz Gómez PhD Dissertation: "Advanced electrochemical and photochemical technologies for the treatment of poly- and perfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs) in water"

Supervisors: Prof. Ane Urtiaga and Dr. Nazely Diban International doctorate mention

# March 1st, 2019

Sandra Sanchez PhD Dissertation: "New biocompatible polymer membranes functionalized with graphene based nanomaterials for in vitro neural models"

Supervisors: Prof. Ane Urtiaga and Dr. Nazely Diban International doctorate mention









# April 9th, 2019

Ana Hernández PhD Dissertation: "Urban air concentration and deposition of manganese and physico-chemical characterization of manganese-bearing particles"

Supervisor: Prof. Ignacio Fernández International doctorate mention





May 31st, 2019

Jose Antonio Fernández PhD Dissertation: "Sustainability assessment of hydraulic fracturing based on the multicriteria Fuzzy-ANP decision technique"

Supervisor: Prof. Ángel Irabien Industrial doctorate mention

June 30th, 2019

Pedro Díaz PhD Dissertation: "New process for the biotechnological production of lactic acid: Integration of membranes filtration technologies"

Supervisors: Prof. Raquel Ibañez and Dr. Jose A. Otero









# November 20th, 2019

Claudia Solás PhD Dissertation: "Traceability of PCDD/FS formation in the advanced oxidation of triclosan in aqueous samples"

Supervisors: Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz and Dr. Mª Fresnedo San Román

International doctorate mention





# *November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019*

Ángela Fernández's PhD Dissertation: "Feasibility analysis of an innovation project in circular economy: Valorization of municipal solid waste incineration fly ashes by carbonation"

Supervisors: Prof. Ángel Irabien and Dr. Esther Santos Industrial doctorate mention







Álvaro Soriano's PhD Dissertation: "Process integration base don membrane preconcentration and electrochemical oxidation of poly- and perfluoroalkyl substances in industrial water treatment"

Supervisors: Prof. Ane Urtiaga and Prof. Daniel Gorri International doctorate mention





# December 20th, 2019

Selene Cobo's PhD Dissertation: "A life cycle optimization framework for the sustainable design of circular municipal solid waste management systems"

Supervisors: Prof. Ángel Irabien and Dr. Antonio Domínguez International doctorate mention





# **EVALUATION COMMITTEE – PhD. Thesis Defenses in External Universities**

#### January 24th, 2019

**Prof. Ignacio Fernández Olmo and Dr. Nazely Diban** attended the PhD. Thesis Defense of Javier Izquierdo Navarro, as a member of the evaluation committee.

Thesis title: "Tratamiento de corrientes residuales de la industria minera mediante tecnología de nanociclonado"

University of the Basque Country (Spain)

#### April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Prof. Daniel Gorri** attended the PhD. Thesis Defense of Alan Didier Pérez Ávila, as a member of the evaluation committee.

Thesis title: "Applications of a liquid membrane in Taylor flow regime (LMTF) on separation processes and design of fermentation hybrid systems"

Universidad Nacional de Colombia - Sede Manizales, Manizales (Colombia)

#### July 26th, 2019

Dr. María José Rivero attended the PhD. Thesis Defense of Laura Ponce Robles, , as a member of the evaluation committee.

Thesis Title: "Tratamiento de aguas residuals mediante procesos basados en la radiación solar y ozono. Evaluación mediante técnicas analíticas y microbiológicas avanzadas"

University of Almeria, Almeria (Spain).







# **EVALUATION COMMITTEE – PhD. Thesis Defense**

# September 20th, 2019

Clara Casado participated as a member of the evaluation committee of the PhD. thesis of Ms. Inés Durán Vera.

Thesis Title: "Diseño de procesos cíclicos de adsorción para la captura de CO<sub>2</sub> en el contexto de una planta de gestión de residuos",

University of Oviedo (Spain)



# September 27th, 2019

Prof. Raquel Ibáñez and Dr. Nazely Diban participated as members of the evaluation committee of the PhD. thesis of Mr. Pablo Rodríguez Vega.

Thesis Title: "Experimental Development and modeling of a membrane reactor for the direct synthesis of DME with  ${\rm CO_2}$  valorization",

University of the Basque Country (Spain)



#### October 7th, 2019

Jonathan Albo was member of the evaluation committee of the thesis defended by Jesús García Thesis Title: "Reducción electrocatalítica de  ${\rm CO_2}$  en fase gas mediante catalizadores sintetizados en medio supercrítico"

University of Castilla-La Mancha, Toledo Campus (Spain)



# **EVALUATION COMMITTEE – PhD. Thesis Defense**

#### November 14th, 2019

Prof. Ane Urtiaga participated in the Assessment Committee of the PhD thesis of Makdi Nikbakht Fini.

Thesis Title: Studies of membrane separation for a combined membrane and biofiltration of pesticides in groundwater based drinking water treatment.

Esbjerg Campus of the University of Aalborg (Denmark)



## November 29th, 2019

Prof. Ane Urtiaga participated in the Assessment Committee of the PhD thesis of Zhihong Ye.

Thesis Title: Processes and catalysts for the electrochemical removal of persistent organic micropollutants from urban wastewater at mild pH

University of Barcelona (Spain)



#### **December 10th, 2019**

Prof. Ane Urtiaga participated in the Assessment Committee of the PhD thesis of José Palomo Jimenez

Thesis Title: "Catalizadores Avanzados para la Síntesis de Dimetil Éter"

University of Málaga – Málaga (Spain)



# **MASTER DISSERTATION THESIS**

#### March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

Estela Abascal, Iñigo Cabrejas, Alba Diaz, Iñigo Elorriaga, Mónica Gómez, Fernando Losada, Miguel Mas and Amaia Zarandona defended their final master thesis in the Master in Chemical Engineering (UC-UPV/EHU). The defense took place in the University of Cantabria and the academic evaluation committee was formed by Prof. Raquel Ibáñez, from the UC, Dra. Miriam Arabiourrutia and Dr. Rubén López, both from the UPV-EHU.











Estefanía Alonso, Josu Goitia, Sara Martinez, Ainara Quijada, Diego Rebe, Raúl Robles and Amaia Sáenz de Burjaca, defended their final master thesis in the Master in Chemical Engineering (UC-UPV/EHU). The defense took place in the University of Cantabria, and the academic evaluation committee was formed by Prof. Raquel Ibáñez, from the UC, Dra. Miriam Arabiourrutia and Dr. Rubén López, both from the UPV-EHU.

# **MASTER DISSERTATION THESIS**

#### October 1st, 2019

Salvador Asensio defended his final thesis in the Master in Chemical Engineering (UC-UPV/EHU). The defense took place in the University of Basque Country on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, and the academic evaluation committee was formed by Prof. Jose María Arandes (UPV/EHU), Dr. María José Rivero (UC) and Dr. Alfredo Ortiz (UC).

#### October 29th, 2019

María de los Angeles Mantecón, Zuria Tabernilla, Gontzal Lezcano and Leire Landa, defended their final thesis in the Master in Chemical Engineering (UC-UPV/EHU). The defense took place in the University of Basque Country on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019, and the academic evaluation committee was formed by Prof. Jose María Arandes (UPV/EHU), Dr. María José Rivero (UC) and Dr. Alfredo Ortiz (UC).





#### November 29th, 2019

Carmen Barquín and Belén García defended their final thesis in the Master in Chemical Engineering (UC-UPV/EHU). The defense took place in the University of Basque Country on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019, and the academic evaluation committee was formed by Prof. Jose María Arandes (UPV/EHU), Dr. María José Rivero (UC) and Dr. Alfredo Ortiz (UC).

# EUROPEAN PROJECT SEMESTER DEFENSE OF FINAL PROJECT DEGREE

The students enrolled in the European Project Semester 2018-2019, defended their final degree project in Chemical Engineering. The evaluation committe in the year 2018-2019 was formed by Eugenio Bringas, Guillermo Díaz and Marcos Fallanza.

The defenses took place in the ETSIIT of the University of Cantabria, at three different calls:

- June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Teresa María Jagiello, Agata Katarzyna Pluta, Aleksandra Makiej, Julia Anna Platkiewicz, Gottfried Segner and Monika Sobczuk

- July 19th, 2019

Cristina Campos, Lucía Ceballos, Sergio Valentín Gutiérrez, Marcos León and Tamara Sampedro.

- September 24th, 2019

Anibal Bringas Mirayes, Carlos Díaz Ceballos and Javier Fernández González







# LECTURES AND SEMINARS AT THE DEPARTMENT

#### January 18th, 2019

Qazi Sohaib, doctorate student in the Institut Européen des Membranes (Montpellier, France) delivered the seminar "CO<sub>2</sub> capture in hollow fiber membrane contactors coupled with ionic liquids: Experimental, modelling and simulation".



### February 1st, 2019

Dr. Gastón Merlet, postdoctoral researcher in the University of Santiago de Chile, delivered the seminar "Desarrollo de una tecnología de microextracción de octaclorodibenzo-p-dioxina desde muestras de leche bovina comercial utilizando líquidos iónicos como solventes y dióxido de carbono supercrítico como facilitador de la extracción".



#### February 14th, 2019

Prof. Vicente Montiel, from the Applied Electrochemistry Institute of the University of Alicante, delivered the lecture "Electroquímica y acumulación de energía eléctrica".



#### March 28th, 2019

Dr. Luis Branco, from the LAQV/REQUIMTE, Department of Chemistry of the Faculty of Science and Technology of the Universidade Nova de Lisboa delivered the lecture "Functional Materials based on Task-Specific Ionic Systems".



# LECTURES AND SEMINARS AT THE DEPARTMENT

#### March 28th, 2019

James W. Levis, Research Assistant Professor in the North Carolina State University, delivered the lecture "Life Cycle Optimization of Solid Waste Management Systems".

#### April 10th, 2019

Patrick Martin, from the Université d'Artois (France) delivered the conference "Bio-based Chemistry – Bioeconomy applied to biocomposites".

#### April 21st, 2019

Cátia Azenha, PhD. student of the University of Porto, delivered a seminar about her research work to all members of the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department.

#### May 21st, 2019

Marta Sebastiá, coordinator of Industry and Energy, F. Iniciativas, delivered the seminar "Economía Circular e Innovación Tecnologíca", in the ETSIIT.

## May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aleksandra Pacula, Jerzy Haber Institute of Catalysis and Surface Chemistry, Polish Academy of Science, delivered the lecture "Porous N-doped carbon materials and their composites".











# LECTURES AND SEMINARS AT THE DEPARTMENT

### May 29th, 2019

Prof. Ignacio Grossmann, Carnegie Mellon University (Pittsburgh, USA) – Doctor Honoris Causa in the University of Cantabria, delivered the lecture "Evolución y Tendencias en la Educación Universitaria en los Estados Unidos"



#### October 15th, 2019

Haruyiki Ishii, Department of Sustainable Environmental Engineering, Yamaguchi University delivered the lecture "A comprehensive introduction of emulsion polymerization from laboratory to industrial scale".



# November 25th, 2019

Prof. David Bogle, Professor of Chemical Engineering at University College London (UCL) and Pro-Vice-Provost of UCL's Doctoral School, delivered the lecture "The Role for Process Systems Engineering in Physiology and Clinical Medicine".



#### December 16th, 2019

Dr. Jenifer Gómez, Ohio State University (USA), delivered the talk "Magnetic behavior of human blood constituents and their separation".





**Prof.** Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe participated as invited lecturer in the session "Depuración, reutilización y desalinización", with a conference entitled "Recuperación de energía a partir de salmueras" in the **Congreso Nacional del Agua**, celebrated in Orihuela (Alicante, Spain), on February 21-22, 2019.

**Dr. Nazely Diban** delivered the talk "Functional polymeric membranes for biomedical applications", as invited lecturer or the 5<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Green and Smart Technologies for a Sustainable Society at Yamaguchi University, in Ube (Japan), on March 25 - 27, 2019.





**Dr. Gabriel Zarca** delivered the talk "Novel materials and processes for the recovery of hihg-added value compounds from industrial waste gaseous streams", as invited lecturer or the 5<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Green and Smart Technologies for a Sustainable Societyat Yamaguchi University (Japan), on March 25 - 27, 2019.

**Dr. Alfredo Ortiz** participated as **invited lecturer** in the **International School Progress in Hydrogen Safety 2019**, organized by the Hydrogen Safety Engineering and Resesarch Centre (HySAFER) - Belfast School of Architecture and the Built Environment - Ulster University.
Belfast, Northern Irelan. The conference took place on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019.





**Prof. Daniel Gorri** delivered the conference "Avances en la separación de olefinas ligeras mediante membranas de transporte facilitado". The event took places on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in the Department of Chemical Engineering of the Universidad Nacional de Colombia – Sede Manizales, Manizales, Colombia.

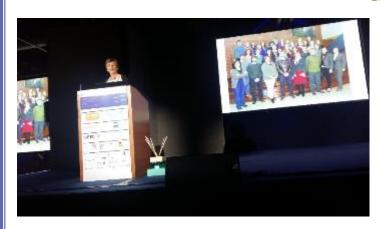
**Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe** took part in the cycle of conferences "Ciencia para todos" organized by the **Spanish Royal Academy of Sciences**, with the conference "El valor de los residuos y el paradigma de la economía circular", that was taught on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in the Main Hall of RAC in Madrid, on May 13 in the Main Hall of the Club de Prensa Asturiana in Oviedo and on May 14 in the "Casa de las Ciencias" in Logroño.



**Dr. Manuel Álvarez** was invited to participated in the  $7^{th}$  Annual International School Sotacarbon Summer School on Low Carbon Technologies 2019, where he delivered the conference " $CO_2$  to liquid fuels: Electrochemical processes. The event took place on June  $12^{th}$ , 209 in the Sotacarbo Research Centre, in Carbonia, Italy.

**Dr. Nazely Diban** delivered the talk "**Membrane processes integration for the adjustment of the alcohol content of red wines**", at the Department of Sustainable Environmetal Engineering, **Yamaguchi University**, as invited lecturer in a research seminar aimed at undergraduate and master students, that took place on July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019.





**Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz** delivered the **plenary conference** of the **ECCE12** - **12**<sup>th</sup> **European Congress of Chemical Engineering,** celebrated in Florence (Italy) on September 15-19. The conference was entitled "Separation Challenges in the Quest for Sustainability". In her talk, she presented the upmost forefront developments in advanced separation processes with challenging applications such as for reduction of energy consumption, new energy sources and devices, biomedical applications.

Prof. Ane Urtiaga was invited to present her research results in **the 8<sup>th</sup> De Nora R&D Symposium** that was held at Milan on November 5-6, 2019. The presentation was aimed at knowledge transfer on the topic of **process integration of environmental electrochemical technologies and membrane separation**. The De Nora R&D Symposium series is aimed at creating sustainable, active, and interactive communication network between the leading Academia Communities and De Nora Corporate R&D Groups.





Prof. Ane Urtiaga participated in the Technical Symposium on Membranes, organized by AEDyR, that was held in Madrid on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019, with the invited lecture on Progress in the integration of nanofiltration and electrochemical oxidation for the treatment of persistent organic pollutants.

**Dr. Jonathan Albo** participated as invited lecturer in the **III Jornadas Juan Carlos Ruíz Morales**, celebrated in the Instituto de Materiales y Nanotecnología – Universidad de la Laguna, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, on November  $22^{nd}$ , 2019. The conference was entitled "CO<sub>2</sub> utilization in the transition to a low-carbon circular economy".



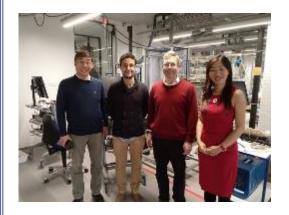


**Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz** participated as invited lecturer at the **MIDES Desalination School**, celebrated in Denia (Alicante, Spain) on November 25-27, 2019. She delivered the conference "Increasing Desalination Sustainability", on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

**Dr. Gabriel Zarca** was invited by the University of Pamplona (Colombia) to participate in the **II Simposio Nacional de Ingeniería Química**, celebrated on November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, where he delivered the lectures "Separación de gases fluorados de alto potencial de calentamiento global empleados como regrigerantes en equipos de aire acondicionado y refrigeración" and "Diseño de un nuevo proceso para la captura selective de H<sub>2</sub> y CO a partir de corrientes residuales de la industria"



# INVITED LECTURES



**Dr. Jonathan Albo** was invited to delivered the talk "Turning CO<sub>2</sub> into fuels: closing the loop", in the **Technical University of Denmark- DTU Energy** (Denmark), on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

**Rubén Aldaco** participated in the scientific debate 'Avances recientes en el estudio sobre el cambio climático', celebrated in the UC, in the frame of the **Conferencia del Cambio Climático COP25**, on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. All scientists showed the relevance of the outcomes coming from the knowledge of the climate change evolution, and highlighted the importance of intensifying the research to overcome the uncertainty around the scenario in the near future.





# "EFFICIENT ENERGY FOR PUBLIC SOCIAL HOUSING (SOE3/P3/E0865)" September 2019 – August 2022

# October 3-4th, 2019 - Seminar and Agreements Signing

Alfredo Ortiz, as member of the consortium of the project SUDOE ENERGY PUSH, attended the meeting organized by the Interreg SUDOE Programme last October 3-4, 2019. All participants received useful advice for the project management. Furthermore, this event is considered the official beginning of the project.



"X-MEM: "Outperforming functionality: composite/mixed matrix porous materials in membrane-based processes"

April 2019 – March 2022

# October 18th, 2019

The project X-MEM, coordinated by Dr. Nazely Diban, member of the TAB research group in the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department of the UC, held its kick-off meeting in Santander. The consortium is formed by the Yamaguchi University in Japan, the Jerzy Haber Institute of Catalysis and Surface Chemistry in Poland, Ege University, Atilim University and Hacettepe University, the three of them located in Turkey.

XMEM is funded by the international competitive action EIG Concert Japan — Connecting and Coordinating European Research and Technology Development with Japan. The main objective of the project is to develop innovative separation and catalytic processes with biomedical and environmental applications and renewable energy production based on new porous functionalized membranes.







"Water-Energy-Seafood Nexus: Eco-innovation and Circular Economy Strategies in the Atlantic Area"

June 2019 – March 2022

# September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Rubén Aldaco, Angel Irabien, María Margallo, Daniel Hoehn, Jara Laso and Israel Ruiz attended the kick off meeting of NEPTUNUS project. Next, Ian Vázquez-Rowe, researcher at the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú presented the keynote 'A fine kettle of fish: the fishing industry and environmental impacts'. The meeting continued with the presentation of the working groups and the lines of research and interest of each partner.

# October 9th, 2019 - INTERREG AA IT PLATFORM MEETING

The UC, lead partner of NEPTUNUS project, attended to the IT Platform meeting. Organizers gave a detailed presentation about all steps regarding the submission process and attendees could solve the eventual issues and questions as well as suggest improvements.

#### October 21st, 2019

During the meeting, participants discussed about the framework and scopus of the project and set the processes to be analysed along the supply chain of both fishes and molluscs of the Atlantic region. Besides, the metholodology and boundaries of the study were established. The main partners involved where Santiago de Compostela University, Aveiro University, Energy Lab, Instituto Português do Mar e da Atmosfera and the Cantabria University.







"Reduction of the environmental impact of fluorinated gases in the SUDOE space using key enabling technologies"

**April 2018 – March 2021** 

June 18th, 2019

The Project Meeting of the project "KET4F-GAS: Reduction of the Environmental Impact of Fluorinated Gases in the Sudoe Space through Key Enabling Technologies", took place in Santander, on June 18, 2019. During the meeting, the leader of each workpackage presented a summary of the activities developed over the past six months, followed by a fruitful discussion regarding the future steps.



#### June 19th, 2019

The Workshop "Mitigation of the Environmental Impact of Fluorinated Gases" took place in Santander, as part of the ANQUE-ICCE 2019 congress. This workshop was a core activity for the dissemination of results of the European project "KET4F-GAS". This event, chaired by Dr. Joao M. M. de Araújo and Dr. Ana B. Pereiro from Universidade Nova de Lisboa and Dr. Gabriel Zarca from Universidad de Cantabria, counted with 2 keynote lectures (Prof. Margarida Costa, France and Prof. Lourdes Vega, Khalifa University, United Arab Emirates) and 7 oral presentations on the development of new separation processes for the recovery of refrigerant gases, including those of the invited speakers





"Reduction of the environmental impact of fluorinated gases in the SUDOE s pace using key enabling technologies"

April 2018 – March 2021

# June 18th, 2019

The awareness seminar on **Mitigation of the Environmental Impact of fluorinated** gases took place in Santander.

The event was aimed to disseminate the strategies for the reduction of emissions of gases of high global warming potential which are used in refrigeration and air conditioning. The seminar was organized by Prof. Ane Urtiaga and Dr. Gabriel Zarca, both of them members of the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering of the UC, as one of the activities of the international project KET4F-GAS, co-funded by the Interreg SUDOE program.



The open ceremony was chaired by the institutional representatives and the General Director of Environment of the Cantabria regional Government. 7 invited speakers from Spain, France and Portugal, representing the administration (Spanish Office of Climate Change, Cantabria Regional Government), companies involved in the trade of fluorinated gases, environmental ONGs and representatives of the employees, showedthe main discussion points in the topic. More than 90 people registered as attendees to this event.



"Reduction of the environmental impact of fluorinated gases in the SUDOE s pace using key enabling technologies"

April 2018 – March 2021

# December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

The 4<sup>th</sup> project meeting took place in Santiago de Compostela on December 3, 2019. During the meeting, the leader of each work package presented a summary of the activities developed over the past six months. Moreover, the awareness seminar "Mitigation of the Environmental Impacts of Fluorinated Gases in the Sudoe Region" was celebrated. During this event, the results achieved in the project were presented, and experts in the sector, researchers and public administration discussed the progress and territorial strategies.







EAPA\_204/2016 – "Atlantic Network for Renewable Generation and Supply of Hydrogen to Promote High Energy Efficiency - HYLANTIC"

October 2017 – September 2020

# March 15th, 2019

The 3<sup>rd</sup> follow-up meeting of HYLANTIC was held in Belfast, hosted by the project partners from Ulster University. During the meeting the partners presented their progress in the project and discuss about the future actions to be done.

#### September 24-25<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The 4<sup>th</sup> follow-up meeting of the HYLANTIC" was held in Bristol (UK), hosted by Auriga Energy. During the meeting, all the partners presented their progresses. During the second day, participants did a sight-seeing trip on-board the Hydrogenesis, the hydrogen powered ship developed in the frame of the project.





EAPA\_204/2016 – "Atlantic Network for Renewable Generation and Supply of Hydrogen to Promote High Energy Efficiency - HYLANTIC"

October 2017 – September 2020

March 11-15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The International School "Progress in Hydrogen Safety" within HYLANTIC project "Atlantic Network for Renewable Generation and Supply of Hydrogen to promote High Energy Efficiency" was held in Belfast (UK). The event was organized by Ulster University in close collaboration with other partners of the HYLANTIC project. The school aimed at dissemination of beyond the-state-of-the art knowledge in hydrogen safety, innovative safety strategies and engineering solutions, and building stronger ties between industry, academia, regulators and standard development organizations. It was an excellent training opportunity to meet and communicate with world leading experts in hydrogen safety.





July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Rafael Ortiz was invited to the "Decarbonising Ireland with Zero-Carbon Technologies" event organised by the National University of Ireland (NUI) in Galway, for an oral dissemination of the project HYLANTIC results aimed to stakeholders in Ireland and Northern Ireland for discussing the deployment of hydrogen technologies in rural and peripheral regions with speakers from Ireland, Scotland, Netherlands, Iceland and Norway.



# "ENERGY SUSTAINABILITY AT THE SUDOE REGION: PEMFC-SUDOE NETWORK - SOE1/P1/E0293 (INTERREG SUDOE/FEDER, UE)"

**July 2016 – June 2019** 

# April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Interreg Sudoe Program organized a Roadtrip at the ETSIIT of the University of Cantabria, aimed at presenting the program to students of the Chair Jean Monnet of the UC. This event was organized by the Joint Secretariat of the Interreg SUDOE Program, in the frame of the Cooperation Days. The event was attended by Isabelle Roger, Head of the Joint Secretariat, Andrea Rodríguez, responsible for Communication and Capitalization; Alexandre Le Gall, project manager; Juan Llanes Cavia from the Management Authority, and Ana Carrera Poncela, from the Board of Directors of the Management Company of the Interreg South-West European Space SL.





# **Humans of SUDOE**

María Yáñez, researcher of the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department involved in the project PEMFC\_SUDOE project, participated in the initiative "Humans of SUDOE" by recording a video about her experience in the project.

The video is available on: <a href="https://youtu.be/lyIT5u\_wUuA">https://youtu.be/lyIT5u\_wUuA</a>



# "ENERGY SUSTAINABILITY AT THE SUDOE REGION: PEMFC-SUDOE NETWORK - SOE1/P1/E0293 (INTERREG SUDOE/FEDER, UE)" July 2016 – June 2019

June 20th-21st, 2019

As part of the activities of the PEMFC-SUDOE project, the Workshop took place at the University of Cantabria, during the celebration of the ANQUE-ICCE 3 congress. The event was chaired by Prof. Alfredo Ortiz (UC), Prof. Deborah Jones (Institut Charles Gerhardt Montpellier, France) and Prof. Carmen Rangel (LNEG, Portugal), with the support of the Spanish Hydrogen Association AeH<sub>2</sub> and the Direção Geral de Energia e Geologia (Portugal).



June 20th, 2019

The Final Project Meeting of the PEMFC-SUDOE project took place at the University of Cantabria (Spain). Dr. Alfredo Ortiz, as project coordinator welcomed all the partners and presented a summary of the last action to be developed in order to finish the project. After that the leader of each workpackage presented the main results obtained during the whole project. The prototypes developed in the project were also presented.





# EXCELLENCE NETWORK "E3TECH Environmental and Energy Applications of Electrochemical Technology" 2015-2020

# May 24th, 2019

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop of the Spanish Excellence Network "Environmental and Energy Applications of the Electrochemical Technology" took place in Toledo. The group of the UC participated with the contribution "Towards an Efficient Electrolysis of Perfluorocarboxylic Acids Through Integration with Membrane Separation using Process System Engineering Tools", by Alvaro Soriano, and with Prof. Ane Urtiaga chairing the Industry Session and Round Table on industrial applications of electrochemical technology.



# June 20th, 2019

The 1<sup>st</sup> International Young Researchers Symposium on Applications of Electrochemical Technology (IYRS-AET) took place in Santander, as part of the ANQUE-ICCE 2019 congress. The Spanish network of Excellence E3TECH, the specialized Group of Electrochemistry of the RSEQ and the ISE sponsored the scientific activities. 3 awards to the best oral and poster communications were issued:

- Amaia Ortiz de Lejarazu, "Preparation of ion exchange membranes by using end-of-life reverse osmosis membranes and application in electrodialysis".
- Sergio Díaz Abad "Study of the SO<sub>2</sub> depolarized electrolysis with advanced PBI based membranes at high temperature"
- Maria Arellano Pardo "Sulfate radical and its application to the removal of organic pollutants"



"Evaluación Técnica de la recuperación de la energía de gradiente salino contenido en la muestra salmuera-agua de mar mediante la Técnica de electrodiálisis reversa"

May 2018 – February 2019

# March 12th, 2019

The R& D Manager of the Company Acciona Agua Jorge Malfeito together with Dr. Olga Ferrer visited the Department for the final meeting of the joint collaborative project "EVALUACIÓN TÉCNICA DE LA RECUPERACIÓN DE LA ENERGÍA DE GRADIENTE SALINO CONTENIDO EN LA MUESTRA SALMUERA-AGUA DE MAR MEDIANTE LA TÉCNICA DE ELECTRODIÁLISIS REVERSA". After the presentation of the main outcomes of the project, the prospects for future collaboration were discussed.



# "Valorization of the tail-gas of carbon black manufacturing" 2017 - 2019

### April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

The final meeting of the project on "Valorization of the tail-gas of carbon black manufacturing" was held in the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering of the University of Cantabria. The delegation of Birla Carbon company was leaded by Ranjan Ghosal, Senior Vice-President, Global Research and Innovation, and Jacinto Zarca, General Director of Birla Carbon Spain. The Agenda of the included a meeting with the Rector of the University of Cantabria, Professor Angel Pazos. The fruitful discussion on the obtained results served also to define the targets for continuing this transfer of knowledge collaboration. We would like to thank the Head of the Department, Prof. Angel Irabien, and to the leaders of the research groups, Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz and Prof. Raquel Ibañez, their fruitful participation in the meeting.



The Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department of the University of Cantabria has been involved in the organization of different seminars and courses during 2019.



### May 2019

**Prof. Ignacio E. Grossmann**, Doctor Honoris Causa in the University of Cantabria and Rudolph R. and Florence Dean University Professor of Chemical Engineering at Carnegie Mellon University (USA), delivered two seminars in the Chemical & Biomolecular engineering Department.

May  $23^{rd}$ ,  $2019 \rightarrow$  "Mixed-integer programming models for planning and scheduling for Enterprise-wide optimization"

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 → "Optimization of process systems under uncertainty"

# May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Dr. Clara Casado, within Dr. Oana David, participated as coordinator of the XXXVII Reunión Bienal de la Real Sociedad Española de Química (RSEQ), and moderated the symposium "Preparación y Caracterización de Membranas para Aplicaciones Emergentes".

The event took place in San Sebastián (Spain), on May 26-30, 2019.



#### June 19-21, 2019

Dr. Clara Casado, within Dr. Thomas Schaefer was in charge of the organization of the Symposium "Membranes for the Water-Energy-Food nexus", celebrated in the frame of the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Congress in Chemical Engineering ANQUE-ICCE3-CIBIQ, celebrated in Santander (Spain).







### July 29-31, 2019

The course "Jóvenes y cambio climático", chaired by Clara Casado and Guillermo Díaz, took place on July 29-31, as a summer course of the Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo. The course was held at Magdalena Palace, in Santander and was attended by 28 participants. The opening ceremony was chaired by Ms. Teresa Ribera (Minister of Ecological Transition) and Mr. Pablo Zuloaga (Vice-President of Cantabria Government) and Dr. Clara Casado (chair of the course).

Moreover, during the course, Prof. Ángel Irabien delivered the talk "La suma de evidencias del cambio climático, los científicos y los jóvenes", and Dr. Clara Casado moderated the Round Table "Innovación para el cambio. Propuestas desde la educación".



# Doctorate Seminars - July 18th, 2019

The Chemical, Energy and Process Engineering Doctorate program organized the annual Doctorate seminars. The aim of the seminar is to promote the training of PhD students and disseminate their research activities. The seminar, open to the members of the doctorate program and to general public, included the assessment of the doctorate students' progress by the academic panel of supervisors. In this edition 6 students of different doctorate years presented their works.

#### The presented works were:

Juan Corredor – New developments in photocatalysis for environmental application

Sophie Schröder – Environmental assessment of advanced oxidation technologies

Cristina González – Design of extracorporeal detoxification stages by advanced simulation techniques

Daniel Hoehn – Food production strategies for the mitigation of climate change: Towards a circular food economy

Bohdana Markiv – Environmental exposure to particulate matter-bound manganese and other metals: bioaccessibility AND biomonitoring

Rafael Ortiz – Upgrading of industrial waste hydrogen in internal combustion engines





# April 10th, 2019 / June 12th, 2019

Dr. Marta Rumayor, Andrea Arguillarena and Daniel Hoehn attended de GaBi Jump Start Training, organized by Thinkstep, and celebrated in Bilbao (Spain). Dr. Marta Rumayor also attended de GaBi Intermediate Training.



# October 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Prof. Ignacio Fernández attended the "Advanced Openair and R-Data Analysis and HYSPLIT Joint Training Seminar," organized by the University of Huelva.

# November 26th, 2019

Israel Ruiz y Jara Laso, post-doc researchers of the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department of the University of Cantabria, attended the 7th EPD International Stakeholder Conference 2019, held in Bilbao (Spain).



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# NATIONAL CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD

May  $10^{th} - 12^{th}$ , 2019

The XXXII National Chemistry Olympiad took place in Santander. A total 118 students coming from all over Spain participated in the contest. The event was organized by the Cantabria Territorial Section of the Spanish Royal Society of Chemistry (RSEQ). On Sunday, the ceremony award was chaired by the Counselor of Education, Culture and Sports of the Government of Cantabria, Mr. Francisco Fernández Mañanes; the Vice Chancellor of Doctorate and Institutional Relations of the University of Cantabria, Mr. Alberto Ruiz; the head of the Organizing Committee of the Olympics, Ms. Clara Casado, and other representatives of the academic institutions.





# CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD

## Local Chemistry Olympiad – March 26th, 2019

the Local Chemistry Olympiad took place at the ETSIIT of the University of Cantabria, with the participation of 79 secondary students. The event was organized by the Association of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering of Cantabria – AQUIQÁN, in collaboration with the Spanish Royal Society of Chemistry (RSEQ).

In this edition the winners were:

- Gold Medal: Víctor Mencía Alonso IES Alisal (Santander)
- Silver Medal: Alicia Palacio Solórzano IES Santa Clara (Santander)
- Bronze Medal: Paz Marina Martínez Menéndez IES Jose María Pereda (Santander)

Ángel Santiago Setién and Miguel Díez Quevedo (Colegio Calasanz Escolapios, Santander) and Pablo Amallo Fernández (IES Ataulfo Argenta, Castro Urdiales) received a mention for their outstanding results in the Olympiad.

### Local Award Ceremony - April 4th, 2019

The award ceremony of the Local Chemistry Olympiad 2019 took place at the ETSIIT of the University of Cantabria. Mr. Jose María Colina, President of the Evaluation Committee of the Local Chemistry Olympiad 2019, chaired the ceremony. The winners received the gold, silver and bronze medals, in recognition of their results in the Local Chemistry Olympiad 2019.



# CHEMISTRY MINI-OLYMPIAD

# May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The V Chemistry Miniolympiad took place in Cantabria. 103 ESO students, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> levels, attended the event, that was organized by the Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Association of Cantabria (AQUIQÁN-ANQUE) in collaboration with the Cantabria Territorial Section of the Spanish Royal Society of Chemistry (RSEQ).

In this edition the winners were:

#### 3rd ESO

Claudia Saiz Santiago – Colegio Apostolado (Medio Cudeyo)

Leire Souto Buenafé – IES Ocho de Marzo (Castro Urdiales)

Anaïs Shadmehr Sharif Rodríguez – Colegio Apostolado (Medio Cudeyo)

#### 4<sup>th</sup> ESO

Estíbaliz Sáez de Astiazu Mañes – IES Ocho de Marzo (Castro Urdiales)

Iván Jesús Melero López – IES Jose María Pereda (Santander)

Victoria Álvarez Méndez – IES Muriedas (Muriedas)



# EVENTS

# Saint Thomas Aquinas' Day – January 25th, 2019

During the academic celebration of St. Thomas Aquinas, the doctors in Chemical, Energy and Process Engineering who graduated in the academic year 2017-2018 received the recognition of the University of Cantabria. Raul Zarca, Sara Dominguez, Ana Fernandez, Paula Ribao and Andres del Castillo attended the celebration.





# EDUC Elections – March 28th, 2019

Guillermo Díaz and Andrea Arguillarena, PhD students in the Chemical, Energy and Process Engineering, were elected as representatives of students of the area of Engineering and Architecture, in the Board of the School of Doctorate of the University of Cantabria.

# EVENTS

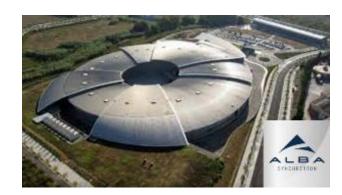


G9 Days - April 10th - 12th, 2019

Guillermo Díaz attended the VII Doctorate Days and II Scientific Dissemination Days of Group 9 of Universities (G9) that was held at the University of La Rioja. Guillermo Díaz was selected to participate in this event on behalf of the University of Cantabria in the area of Engineering and Architecture, with his contribution "Electrochemical CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization: Development of a Continuous Process for Obtaining Formate with High Efficiency".

## Visit to SYNCHROTRON ALBA – July 2 - 5, 2019

Dr. Jonathan Albo visited the SYNCHROTRON ALBA, located in Barcelona. In collaboration with researchers of the Inorganic Chemistry Department of the UPV/EHU, they were granted the proposal entitled "Unravelling host-guest interactions on novel zirconium (IV) metalorganic frameworks with enhanced activity for the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub>".



# R&D OUTCOMES



# **Antonio Domínguez**

Short teaching stay

Sami Shamoon College of Engineering in Beer Sheva (Israel)

December 30, 2018 - January 3, 2019.

Erasmus + KA107 International Mobility Credit program

Aim: Life Cycle Analysis Marathon (1st LCAton) was taught with the students of the Master of Science in Green Engineering.





### María Yáñez

**Predoctoral Research Stay** 

Faculty of Engineering at the University of Porto (Portugal)

January 14th – April 19th, 2019

Aim: experimental and modeling study for producing hydrogen of fuel cell quality

from industrial waste was mixtures based on pressure swing adsorption (PSA)

Supervisor: Prof. Adélio Mendes

### **Nazely Diban and Gabriel Zarca**

Faculty of Engineering of Yamaguchi University (Ube, Japan)

Erasmus+ programme between both institutions.

March 25-29<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: invited speakers at the 5th International Symposium on Green and Smart Technologies for a Sustainable Society from 25th-27th March aimed at Master and PhD students. Other speakers belonged to the areas of Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering and Information and Communications Technology of Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Norwergian University of Science and Technology, Universitat Jaume I, Universidad de Zaragoza, National Institute of Technology (Fukushima College) and Yamaguchi University.





#### Cristina González

**Predoctoral Research Stay** 

Institute of Molecular Modeling and Simulation of the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna.

April 1st - June 28th, 2019

Aim: molecular simulation of the interactions between lipid polysaccharide and potential receptor proteins Supervisor: Chris Oostenbrink.

#### **Daniel Hoehn**

**Predoctoral Internship** 

Department of Civil, Environmental and Geomatic Engineering, University College of London, UK

April 29th - June 28th, 2019

Aim: working in the field of the energy recovery through food waste in the European Union

Supervisor: Aiduan Borrion





# **Nazely Diban**

Faculty of Engineering of Yamaguchi University (Ube, Japan)

July 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: teaching on 'Membrane processes for the adjustment of alcohol content in red wines to undergraduate and master students in Chemical Engineering and disseminate the academic and research activities of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering of the University of Cantabria among the Japanese students.

#### **Alba Romano**

Center for Integrated Technology and Organic Synthesis (CITOS) of the University of Liège July 8<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: Perform experiments related to her PhD thesis in the Corning AFR Qualified Laboratory in

University of Liège, using Corning Advanced-Flow Reactor technology

Supervisor: Dr. Jean-Christophe M. Monbaliu.



#### **Selene Cobo**

Predoctoral research stay

Process Energy Environmental Systems Engineering Research Group, Cornell University (USA)

May 15<sup>th</sup> – August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: Fundamentals of bi-level programming and to apply them to the optimize the environmental and

economic performance of the stakeholders involved in the supply chain of organic fertilizers.

Supervisor: Prof. Gengqi You





#### Dr. Víctor M. Ortiz

Microfluidics for Chemistry and Life Sciences Group, Dep. Chemistry & Biochemistry, University of Hull, UK

September – December 2019

Aim: Lab-on-a-chip technology for electrochemically-assisted production of metabolites

Supervisor: Prof. Nicole Pamme.

This stay is funded by the Mobility Program "José Castillejo"

#### **Miguel Guate**

Predoctoral research stay - Erasmus+ K107 International Credit Mobility, Project 2018-1-ES01-KA107-049471.

Yamaguchi University (Japan)

September to December 2019

Supervisor: Prof. Izumi Kumakiri

Aim: metal catalyst deposition onto ceramic supports.



#### **Rafael Ortiz**

# INTERNSHIPS & VISITS

Predoctoral Research Internship

"Institut für Energie- und Klimaforschung, IEK-3: Technoökonomische Systemanalyse" of the Research Centre "Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH", Germany.

Aim: Development a model for an Energy System for the estimation of hydrogen regenration in the atlantic area by using renewable energies

November 1<sup>st</sup> – January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020

Supervisor: de Martin Robinius and Heidi Heinrichs





### Prof. Raquel Ibáñez & Dr. Alfredo Ortiz

Erasmus+ K107 Action (Staff mobility for teaching)

Tashkent Chemical & Technological Institute (TCTI, Tashkent, Uzbekistan) and the Bukhara Engineering-Technological Institute (Bukhara, Uzbekistan)

November 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: masterclasses to students of Ecology and Environmental Protection, Process Automation, Chemical Technology, Oil and Gas Processing among others.

Meeting with the academic authorities of both institutions.

#### Arantza Basauri

Predoctoral Research Internship

Institut für Chemie und Biochemie - Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin, Germany

November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020

Supervisor: A. G. Haag and Ernesto Osorio

Aim: Syntehsis and characterization of functionalized magnetic nano-gel with proteins anti-LPS



#### **Qazi Sohaib**

Institut Européen des Membranes – Motpellier (France)

Predoctoral Research Stay

January 3rd - February 28th, 2019

Aim: Carbon Dioxide Capture using Hollow Fiber Membrane Contactors and Ionic Liquids

Supervisor at UC: Dr. Jonathan Albo





#### **Gaston Merlet**

University of Santiago de Chile

Postdoctoral research stay - Postdoctoral proyect FONDECYT № 3180143.

January 7<sup>th</sup> – February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: methodology for the quantification of OCDD in commercial bovine milk samples by means of microextraction using ionic liquids enhanced with supercritical carbon dioxide (scCO<sub>2</sub>)

Supervisor at UC: Dr. María Fresnedo San Román.

# **Eduardo Felipe Olea Chandi**

Master in Engineering Sciences of the University of Santiago de Chile

February 11<sup>th</sup> – March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: selective separation of lantanides, cerium and lanthanum, using membrane contactors.

Supervisor at UC: Eugenio Bringas Elizalde



#### Prof. Adi Wolfson

Sami Shamoon College of Engineering (Be-er Sheva, Israel)

March 11-15, 2019

Aim: Follow the progress in collaborative on-going activities related to the exchange of personnel between both institutions, and joint research on environmental sustainability. Moreover, Prof. Wolfson attended the Erasmus coordinators meeting of the action KA107 that took place in Santander.





#### Catia Azenha

University of Porto (Portugal)

Predoctoral research stay

April 8<sup>th</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: Electrochemical reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> using novel bimetallic electrocatalysts

Supervisor: Dr. Manuel Álvarez.

#### **Andrea Gouveia**

Instituto Superior Técnico de Lisboa

Predoctoral research stay

April 22<sup>nd</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: characterization of poly(ionic liquid)/ionic liquid membranes and permeation tests with

multi-component gas mixtures

Supervisor: Prof. Daniel Gorri.



#### Vítor Ramiro de Almeida Fernandes

Laboratório Nacional de Energia e Geologia (LNEG, Portugal)

May  $6^{th} - 10^{th}$ , 2019.

Aim: development of new and highly efficient catalysts and membranes for fuel cell and electrolizer systems

Supervisor at UC: Alfredo Ortiz.

Visit developed in the frame of the European project PEMFC-SUDOE





#### Alexandra Pacula

Jerzy Haber Institute for Catalysis and Survace Chemistry – Polish Academy of Science

Varsovia, Poland

May  $27^{th} - 31^{st}$ , 2019

Supervisor: Dr. Nazely Diban

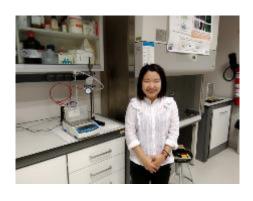
#### **Adham Norkobilov**

Technological Institute Tahskent (Uzbekistán)

June 17<sup>th</sup> – 21th, 2019

Supervisor: Prof. Daniel Gorri





#### Misaki Sawa

Master's internship funded by the Erasmus+ K107 International Credit Mobility, Project 2018-1-ES01-KA107-049471.

Yamaguchi University (Japan)

September 3<sup>rd</sup> – December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: research activities of the project X-MEM (EIG-Concert Japan), coordinated by Nazely Diban.

Supervisor: Dr. María José Rivero

# **Angélica Quintriqueo**

University of Santiago de Chile

September - December 2019

Aim: Design of separation processes for the recovery of rare earths.

Supervisor: Dr. Eugenio Bringas



#### Nahúm Hernández Pérez

Electrochemistry and Corrosion Laboratory, National Polytechnic Institute (Ciudad de México)

Master research stay

September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 – January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Aim: Reversal electrodialysis technology to extract salinity gradient energy

Supervisors: Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz and Dr. Lucía Gómez.





#### Sarra Jomaa

National Engineering School of Monastir, Tunisia

**Predoctoral Research Stay** 

September 20<sup>th</sup> – December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Aim: modelling RED/ED hybrid systems for desalination

Supervisors: Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz and Dr. Lucía Gómez.

# **Beatriz Ávila Bolivar**

Institute of Electrochemistry of the University of Alicante (UA)

October 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Aim: Analyze experimental systems for the electrochemical conversion of  $CO_2$  to formic acid/formate, and took place in the frame of the project entitled "Multiscale Design of Processes for  $CO_2$  capture and utilization (CTQ2016-76231-C2)", coordinated project between UC and UA.



# **AWARDS**

### ANQUE 2019 Award – Prof. Ángel Irabien

Prof. Angel Irabien was awarded with the ANQUE 2019 Prize, in recognition of his work developed in the field of Chemical Engineering in the National Association of Chemists and Chemical Engineers. This award was created in 2007 by the National Association of Chemists and Chemical Engineers of Spain (ANQUE), aimed at recognizing the outstanding and extensive professional deployment of the awardees.





#### ICCE 2019 "Innovation & Transfer" Award - Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz

Prof. Inmaculada Ortiz was awarded with the prize ICCE 2019 "Innovation and Transfer", in recognition of her career and excellent work in these fields.

# Gabriel Zarca, Lucía Gómez and Germán Santos

Outstanding doctorate prize in the area of Engineering, among thesis defended in the University of Cantabria in the academic year 2016.

# **Salvador Asensio**

Award to the best academic achievement in the degree of Chemical Engineering in the academic year 2017-2018.





# Saint Joseph's Day – March 2019 – University of Cantabria

Cristina González

Prize to the best research poster for Doctorate Programme

**Salvador Asensio** 

Prize to the best final project of the Master in Chemical Engineering

**Salvador Asensio** 

AQUIQÁN prize to the best final project degree

Laura Rancaño

Prize to the best research poster for Doctorate Programme

Belén García

Prize to the best final project of the Chemical Engineering Degree



#### **AWARDS**



Student Conference ANQUE 2019 - Santander (Spain) - June 17-18, 2019

Sergio Valentín Gutiérrez

Award to the best poster

Belén García, Javier Fernández, Maria de los Ángeles Mantecón and Tamara Sampedro

First position in the Chem-e-quiz contest



#### Lucía Gómez, Cristina González, María José Rivero and Marta Romay

Award to the best poster – ANQUE – ICCE 3 – CIBIQ 2019 Santander (Spain) – June 19 – 21, 2019









Ángel Irabien, Raquel Ibáñez, Manuel Álvarez, Antonio Domínguez and Guillermo Díaz

Special mention of the Societal Council of the University of Cantabria for the project 'Aprender haciendo: Chem-E-Car Competition como herramienta para adquirir y evaluar competencias'.

University of Cantabria, Santander (Spain) - April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019



#### Cristina González

Award to the best oral presentation - Spanish XXXVI Chemical Engineering meeting Zaragoza (Spain) - September 4-6, 2019



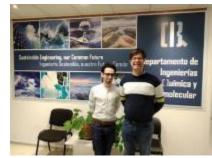
#### AWARDS

#### Javier Fernández González

Prize to the "Best final project degree or master thesis in capture, transport, storage and uses of CO2" of the Plataforma Tecnológica Española del CO<sub>2</sub>, in the Edition 2019.

November 2019







#### Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Award to the trajectory in Chemical Engineering 2019

December 2019

Spanish Royal Society of Chemistry (RSEQ)

#### Iván Merino

Award to the Best Doctorate Thesis

December 2019

Spanish Royal Society of Chemistry (RSEQ)





Raquel Ibañez

AQUIQÁN Award 2019

December 2019

Association of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering of Cantabria (AQUIQÁN)







AQUIQÁN Award Doctorate Thesis 2019

December 2019

Association of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering of Cantabria (AQUIQÁN)

# **R&D PROJECTS: International Projects**

Title: SUDOE ENERGY PUSH – Efficient eNERGY for Public Social Housing (SOE3/P3/E0865)

Financial support: Interreg SUDOE Programme. FEDER. European Commission

Participants:Fundación Centro Tecnológico en Logística Integral Cantabria (CTL, Spain), ADENE - Agência para a Energia (Portugal), Agencia de Vivienda y Rehabilitación de Andalucía (AVRA, Spain), Gestion de viviendas e infraestructuras en Cantabria S.I. (GESVICAN, Spain), Universidade do Porto (Portugal), Universidade do Porto (Portugal), Universidade do Porto (Portugal), Laboratório Nacional de Energia e Geologia, IP (Portugal), APRIA Systems S.L. (Spain), A Silva Matos (Portugal), Tipee (France), Agence Locale de l'Energie et du Climat (Francia), Asociación Empresarial Centro Tecnológico de la Energía y del Medio Ambiente de la Región de Murcia, (CETENMA, Spain), CARBONE 64 SARL (France).

Principal investigator UC partner: Dr. Alfredo Ortiz Sainz de Aja

Dates: 01/09/2019 - 31/08/2022

Title: NEPTUNUS: water-energy-seafood nexus: eco-innovation and circular economy strategies in the atlantic area (FEDER) (ATLANTIC AREA EAPA\_576/2018)

Financial support: European Commission

Participants: Universidad de Cantabria, Universidad de Santiago de Compostela, Energylab, Universidade de Aveiro, IPMA, Université de Bordeaux, University of Liverpool, National University of Ireland (Galway), Atholone Institute of Technology, Asociación Nacional de Fabricantes de Conservas de Pescasdos y Maridscocs, VertigoLab.

Coordinator (UC): Dr. Rubén Aldaco García

Dates: 30/06/2019 - 29/06/2022

#### Title: X-MEM: "Outperforming functionality: composite/mixed matrix porous materials in membrane-based processes"

Financial support: Spain: State Research Agency AEI - Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness (MINECO)

Participants: University of Cantabria (Spain), University of Yamaguchi (Japan), Jerzy Haber Institute of Catalysis and Surface Chemistry de la Academia Polaca de las Ciencias and the Universities of Atilim, Hacettepe and Edge (Turkey).

Coordinator (UC): Dr. Nazely Diban Gómez

Dates: April 2019 - March 2022

### **R&D PROJECTS: International Projects**

Title: KET4F-GAS: Reduction of the environmental impact of fluorinated gases in the SUDOE space using key enabling technologies

Financial support: Interreg SUDOE Programme. European Commission

Partners: INTERLUN S.L.; Apria Systems, S.L.; Université Clermont Auvergne; Talence Innovation sud Dévelppment; Université de Pau et des Pays de Ládour, Fundación FUNDECYT- Parque Científico y Tecnológico de Extremadura; FEUGA Fundación Empresa-Universidad Gallega, Instituto Químico de Sarria, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, No Waste- Gestao e recuperação de residuos LDA, NETRSDS-NETRESIDUOS, UNIPESSOAL, LDA; Universidad de Cantabria, Universidad de Vigo, Xunta de Galicia.

Principal investigator UC partner: Gabriel Zarca Lago

Dates: 01/04/2018 - 31/03/2021

#### Title: Atlantic Network for Renewable Generation and Supply of Hydrogen to promote High Energy Efficiency EAPA\_204/2016

Financial support: Interreg ATLANTIC Programme. European Commission

Participants: University of Cantabria, coordinator (Spain), U. Porto (Portugal), LNEG (Portugal), Dublin City University DCU (Ireland), University of Brest (France), Ulster University, Hydrogen Safety Engineering and Research Centre (HySAFER), Coleraine, United Kingdom, APRIA SYSTEMS (Spain), UlemCo Ltd Liverpool (UK), Pure Energy® Centre (UK), Auriga Energy Limited (UK), A. Silva Matos (Portugal)

Coordinator (UC): Dr. Alfredo Ortiz Sainz de Aja

Dates: 01/10/2017 - 30/09/2020

#### Title: LIFE2ACID

Financial support: LIFE Programme. European Commission.

Project in collaboration with: MARE S.A., Galvanizadora Valenciana S.L.U., Apria Systems, S.L., Instituto Tecnológico Metalmecanico, mueble, madera, embalajes y afines, Asociación de Industrias de acabados de superficies, Universidad de Cantabria, Universidad Politécnica de Valencia.

Principal investigator UC partner: Prof. Ana María Urtiaga Mendía

Dates: 01/07/2017 - 31/12/2020

### **R&D PROJECTS: International Projects**

Title: LIFE zero cabin waste. Tackling international airline catering waste by demonstrating integral and safe recollection, separation & treatment (LIFE15 ENV/ES/000209)

Financial support: Life Program-European Commission

Partners: Iberia (Spain), Ecoembes (Spain), Ferrovial (Spain), Gate Gourmet (Spain), Ferrovial Servicios (Spain), Escula Superuor de Comercio Internacional (Spain), Universidad de Cantabria (Spain).

Principal investigator UC partner: Rubén Aldaco García

Dates: 01/09/2016 - 31/12/2019

Title: PEMFC-SUDOE: Sosteniblidad energética en la región SUDOE: Red PEMFCSUDOE

Financial support: Programa Interreg SUDOE.

Participants: University of Cantabria (Coordinator), Université Montpellier. Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Universidade do Porto, LNEG - Laboratório Nacional de Energia e Geologia, Institut National Polytechnique de Toulouse, Ariema Energía y Medioambiente. S.L., Apria Systems. S.A, Institut de la Filtration et des Techniques Séparatives. IFTS, NanoInnova Technologies S.L.

Coordinator (UC): Dr. Alfredo Ortiz Sainz de Aja

Dates: 01/07/2016 - 30/06/2019

### **R&D PROJECTS: National Projects**

Title: Separaciones microfluidicas de elevado rendimiento, retos y oportunidades (RTI2018-093310-B-I00)(MCIU/AEI/FEDER,UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación

Main Researcher: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2021

Title: Retos en la implementación de la fotocatálisis para aplicaciones medioambientales (CTM2015-69845-R) (MCIU/AEI/FEDER,UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación Main Researcher: María José Rivero Martínez

Dates: 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2021

Title: IMPULRAS: Hacia una mejora tecno-económica de ELOXIRAS®: Control y minimización de subproductos (RTC-2017-6035-2)(AEI/FEDER,UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación, FEDER, UE

Main Researcher: Raquel Ibañez Mendizábal

Dates: 01/07/2018 - 31/12/2020

Title: Red de Excelencia de Aplicaciones Medioambientales y Energéticas de la Tecnología Electroquímica – E3TECH

Financial support: MINECO - Convocatoria 2017

Main Researcher in the UC: Ana María Urtiaga Mendía

Participants: Universidad de Cantabria, Universidad de Barcelona, Universidad de Castilla La Mancha, Instituto de Nanociencia y Nanotecnología de la Universidad de Barcelona, Universidad de Alicante, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona, Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Universidad de Vigo, CSIC, Instituto

Nacional del Carbón

Dates: 01/07/2018 - 30/06/2020

Title: Laboratorio integrado de membranas y sistemas de reacción (MRSIL) (EQC2018-004757-P) (AEI/FEDER, UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación, Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades

Main Researcher: Raquel Ibáñez Mendizábal

Dates: 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2020

# **R&D PROJECTS: National Projects**

Title: Tecnologías ambientales sostenibles para el aprovechamiento energético de corrientes residuales (CTM2017-87850-R) (AEI/FEDER,UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación, FEDER, UE

Main Researcher: Raquel Ibañez Mendizábal

Dates: 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2020

Title: Aplicación de tecnologías ambientales a matrices líquidas conteniendo contaminantes orgánicos emergentes precursores de la formación de derivados clorados (PCDD/FS) (CTM2017-87740-R) (AEI/FEDER,UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación, FEDER, UE Main Researcher: María Fresnedo San Román San Emeterio

Dates: 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2020

Title: Exposición ambiental a manganeso y otros metales contenidos en material particulado: bioaccesibilidad, biomonitorización, y su asociación con la función neurológica (CTM2017-82636-R) (AEI/FEDER,UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación, FEDER, UE

Main Researcher: Ignacio Fernández Olmo

Dates: 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2020

Title: Separador magnético en endotoxinas bacterianas (LPS) en el tratamiento de la sepsis (CTQ2015-72364-EXP) (AEI)

Financial support: MINECO

Main Researcher: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 01/05/2017 - 30/04/2019

Title: Membranas compuestas selectivas y su incorporación en dispositivos microfluídicos (CTQ2016-75158-R) (AEI/FEDER, UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación

Main Researcher: E. Daniel Gorri Cirella Dates: 30/12/2016 – 29/12/2019

Title: Estrategias avanzadas de integración de membranas y procesos electrocatalíticos y fotocatalíticos para la eliminación de contaminantes persistentes (CTM2016-75509-R) (AEI/FEDER, UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación Main Researcher: Ana María Urtiaga Mendía

Dates: 30/12/2016 - 30/09/2020

### **R&D PROJECTS: National Projects**

Title: Membranas compuestas selectivas y su incorporación en dispositivos microfluídicos (CTQ2016-75158-R) (AEI/FEDER, UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación

Main Researcher: E. Daniel Gorri Cirella Dates: 30/12/2016 – 29/12/2019

Title: Diseño multiescala de procesos de captura y utilización de dióxido de carbono (CTQ2016-76231-C2-1-R) (AEI/FEDER, UE)

Financial support: MINECO

Main Researcher: Ángel Irabien Gulías and Aurora Garea Vázquez

Dates: December 2016 – December 2020

Title: Estrategias de producción alimentaria para la mitigación del cambio climático: hacia una economía circular de los alimentos (CTM2016-76176-C2-1-R)

(AEI/FEDER, UE)

Financial support: Agencia Estatal de Investigación, FEDER, UE

Main Researcher: Rubén Aldaco García Dates: 01/10/2015 – 29/12/2019

Title: Aplicaciones avanzadas de separación. Modelado y validación experimental (CTQ2015-66078-R) (MINECO/FEDER, UE)

Financial support: MINECO

Main Researcher: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 01/01/2016 - 30/06/2019

Title: Dotación Adicional Jonathan Albo Sánchez. Convocatoria Subprograma Estatal de Formación. Ayuda Ramón y Cajal.

Financial support: MINECO

Main Researcher: Jonathan Albo Sánchez

Dates: 01/12/2016 - 30/11/2020

### **R&D PROJECTS: Regional Projects**

Title: Opportunities for the Cantabrian agro-food system under a Bio- and Circular economy approach

Financial support: Universidad De Cantabria / Gobierno De Cantabria (Ayudas para contratos postdoctorales Augusto González de Linares)

Main Researcher: Rubén Aldaco García / Jara Laso Cortabitarte

Dates: 01/12/2019 - 30/11/2020

Title: Detector Array de Diodos (DAD) para cromatografía líquida HPLC

Financial support: Consejería de Universidades e Investigación, Medio Ambiente y Política Social

Main Researcher: Ana María Urtiaga Mendía

Dates: 18/09/2019 - 15/11/2020

Title: Estación de trabajo para técnicas de simulación de dinámica de fluidos computacional (CFD) y dinámica molecular (DM) en aplicaciones de la ingeniería química

Financial support: Universidad de Cantabria Main Researcher: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 15/06/2018 - 30/09/2019

Title: Estrategias de ecoinnovación en la industria alimentaria: Aplicación a la industria de destilados

Financial support: Universidad de Cantabria Main Researcher: Rubén Aldaco García Dates: 20/04/2018 – 09/04/2021

Title: Diseño de estructuras biopoliméricas funcionalizadas con grafeno para el desarrollo de cultivos neuronales en modelos celulares de patología de la motoneurona (INNVAL 17/20).

Financial support: Fundación Instituto de Investigación Marqués de Valdecilla (IDIVAL).

Main Researcher: Nazely Diban Gómez Dates: January 2018 – January 2020

### **R&D PROJECTS: Regional Projects**

Title: GRADISAL - Aplicación en Cantabria de la Tecnología EDR (Electrodiálisis reversa) a la obtención de energía renovable marina mediante gradiente salino. Fase I: Viabilidad técnico económica (RM16-XX-046)

Financial support: Plan Regional SODERDAN - FEDER

Participants: Universidad de Cantabria, MARE S.A., Apria Systems

Main Researcher: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 30/12/2016 - 30/06/2019

Title: Valorización de cenizas volantes de incineración de RSUS mediante carbonatación

Financial support: Universidad de Cantabria Participants: Universidad de Cantabria, SADER

Main Researcher: Ángel Irabien Gulías / Delegate: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 01/08/2016 - 31/07/2019

Title: Desarrollo y Caracterización de filmes multicapa extruidos en base polimérica aplicando tratamiento de entrecruzamiento mediante radiación ionizante

Financial support: Vicerrectorado de Investigación – Universidad de Cantabria

Main Researcher: Ana María Urtiaga Mendía

Dates: 01/02/2015 - 27/02/2019

Title: Jornada de sensibilización sobre el impacto ambiental de gases fluorados

Financial support: Universidad de Cantabria Participants: Universidad de Cantabria Main Researcher: Ana María Urtiaga Mendia

Dates: 03/05/2019 - 33/09/2019

### **R&D PROJECTS: P.A.R. Projects**

Title: Diseño de un proceso de separación con agentes quelantes para la recuperación de metales de corrientes residuales

Finantial support: Universidad de Cantabria Main Researcher: Eugenio Bringas Elizalde

Dates: 18/10/2018 - 17/10/2020

Title: Avances y Desafíos de la Ingeniería Química

Finantial Support: Universidad de Cantabria Main Researcher: Prof. Ane Urtiaga Mendía

Dates: 08/09/2018 - 07/09/2020

Title: Nuevas aplicaciones de los procesos avanzados de separación

Finantial support: Universidad de Cantabria Main Researcher: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 27/07/2018 – 26/07/2020

Title: Líneas de investigación del grupo de Procesos Avanzados de Separación (REPAS)

Finantial support: Fundación Leonardo Torres Quevedo

Main Researcher: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 17/07/2018 - 16/07/2019

Title: Desarrollo de Procesos y Productos Sostenibles

Financial support: Universidad de Cantabria

Main Researcher: Ángel Irabien Gulías / Delegate: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: January 2018 – January 2020

Title: **Separaciones con membranas selectivas**Finantial Support: Universidad de Cantabria
Main Researcher: Daniel Gorri Cirella

Dates: 31/10/2017 - 30/10/2019

Title: Resource Efficiency in the Process Industry

Finantial Support: Fundación Leonardo Torres Quevedo

Main Researcher: Ane Urtiaga Mendía Dates: 19/05/2017 – 18/05/2019

#### **R&D PROJECTS: CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES & ADMINISTRATION**

Title: Procesos de reacción química en combustión de quemadores de cocción a gas

Financial support: BSH Electrodomésticos España Main Researcher: Alfredo Ortiz Sainz de Aja

Dates: 03/06/2019 - 03/06/2020

Title: Reutilización de componentes estratégicos en el proceso de producción de negro de carbono

Finantial Support: Birla Carbon

Main Researcher: Ana María Urtiaga Mendía

Dates: 25/04/2019 - 01/07/2020

Title: Nueva generación de reactores fotocatalíticos UV-LED para la eliminación de compuestos persistentes en aguas (LED4Future)

Financial support: Apria Systems

Main Researcher: María José Rivero Martínez

Dates: 01/04/2019-31/03/2020

Title: Tratamiento electroquímico de aguas residuales procedentes de EDAR

Finantial Support: CADAGUA S.A.

Main Researcher: Ana María Urtiaga Mendía

Dates: 16/10/2018 - 30/07/2019

Title: Evaluación técnica de la recuperación de la energía de gradiente salino contenida en la mezcla salmuera-agua de mar mediante electrodiálisis reversa

Financial support: Acciona Agua S.A. Main Researcher: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 01/05/2018 - 01/02/2019

Title: Estudios comparativo de tecnologías de desulfuración de humos de barcos

Finantial Support: Solvay Química S.L.

Main Researcher: Ángel Irabien Gulías / Delegate: Inmaculada Ortiz Uribe

Dates: 17/07/2018 - 31/08/2019

# **R&D PROJECTS: CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES & ADMINISTRATION**

Title: Ensayos e informes de caracterización de muestras sólidas y líquidas mediante ensayos físico-químicos

Financial support: Several companies

Main Researcher: Ángel Irabien Gulías / Delegate: Raquel Ibañez Mendizabal

Dates: February 2017 -

Title: Ensayos Sosprocan: Ensayos e informes de caracterización de muestras sólidas y líquidas mediante ensayos físico-químicos

Financial support: Several companies

Main Researcher: Ángel Irabien Gulías / Delegate: Raquel Ibañez Mendizabal

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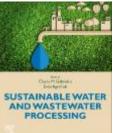
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The Transfer Unit SOSPROCAN has a scientific and technological infrastructure, a set of last generation analytical techniques and a group of highly quelified staff, that enable to carry out a complete physico-chemical characterization of a wide range or samples. The available equipment allows comprehensive control of a high number of environmental parameters as well as monitoring compliance. The main aim of the Transfer Unit SOSPROCAN is to collaborate and make available the extensive analytical capabilities of the equipments to the productive sector and the Administration, offering a high quality service.

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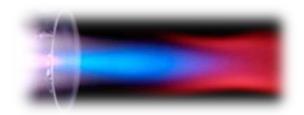














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#### **MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 2019:**



We are working on the obtention of the **Certification ISO 9001:2015 Standard** – Sistemas de Gestión de Calidad.



Training in the ISO 9001:2015 Standard, with the aim of adapting their quality management system to the ISO9001:2015 requirements.



#### January, 2019

Dr. Sonia Gómez attended the course "Excel. Nivel avanzado" organized by the University of Cantabria.

#### April, 2019

Dr. Oscar Primo attended the course "MS Excel para la Elaboración de Hojas de Cálculo, Formularios e Informes de Laboratorio" organized by Curso de Formación On-Line de Aula Científica, S.L.

### **MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 2019:**

Meetings with potential customers







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# SCIENCE DISSEMINATION & SOCIAL EVENTS



#### January 31st, 2019 – Meetings with Chemical Engineering

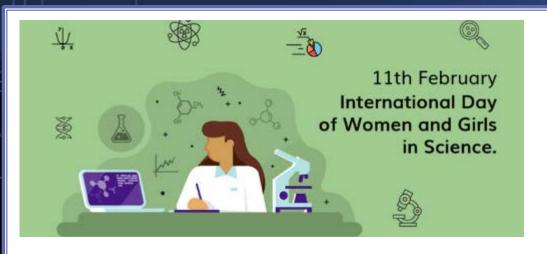
Students of the IES Santa Clara (Santander) visited the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department. Prof. Raquel Ibáñez, responsible of the Chemical Engineering Studies, welcomed the students and presented a summary on several attractive and challenging projects that involve the participation of chemical engineers. Next, the students did a guided tour to the laboratories and had the opportunity to speak to the academic staff about the research topics that are developed in the Department.





#### February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – Meetings with Chemical Engineering

Students of the IES Marqués de Santillana (Torrelavega) visited the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department. Raquel Ibáñez, responsible of the Chemical Engineering Studies in the ETSIIT, welcomed the students and introduced them a summary of the most attractive projects in which a Chemical Engineer could be involved. After that, the students visited the laboratories and had the opportunity to get more information about the research topics developed in the Department.



# February 2019

Researchers of the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department delivered a series of conferences in the following schools and high schools of Cantabria Region, on the occasion of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science:

IES María Telo, Los Corrales de Buelna

IES La Granja, Heras

IES Las Llamas, Santander

IES Dr. José Zapatero, Castro Urdiales

IES El Alisal, Santander

IES Augusto G. Linares, Santander

IES Foramontanoes, Cabezón de la Sal

IES Peñacastillo, Santander

IES Valle de Piélagos, Renedo

IES La Marina, Santa Cruz de Bezana

IES El Astillero, Astillero

IES Alberto Pico, Santander

CEIP Gerardo Diego, Santander

IES José Hierro, San Vicente de la Barquera

IES Marqués de Manzanedo, Santoña

IES Muriedas, Camargo

IES Leonardo Torres Quevedo, Santander

IES Verdemar, Santander

IES Ataulfo Argenta, Castro Urdiales

IES La Albericia, Santander

IES Fuente Fresnedo, Laredo





#### March 8th, 2019 - Meetings with Chemical Engineering

Primary students of the CEIP Juan de la Cosa (Santoña) visited the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department. During the visit, Elena Manteca and Gema Pérez, with the Chemical Engineering Degree students, Sandra Ceballos, Ana Fernández and Lidia Calva, prepared a science exhibition about the diverse activities of chemical engineers. Next, students dressed up like a chemical engineer working in a lab, and did a chromatography experiment aimed at separating the different colors that a pen ink has. Furthermore, they played a game related to the periodic table of elements.

#### March 18th, 2019 - Meetings with Chemical Engineering

80 primary school students of the CEIP Jose María de Pereda (Los Corrales de Buelna) visited the ETSIIT of the University of Cantabria. During the visit they were welcomed by the Head of the School of Engineering. Raquel Ibáñez, Guillermo Díaz and Gema Pérez were in charge of presenting them the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department, and prepared a science show about the work of chemical engineers.





#### April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 – Open Doors Day

The Open Doors Day of the University of Cantabria took place. The Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department participated in this event by organizing the visit of secondary students to the teaching and research labs. Students had the opportunity to meet the researchers and asked them about their doubts and curiosities.



May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 – Cristallization Contest

Clara Casado-Coterillo, on behalf of the Cantabria territorial section of the Spanish Royal Society of Chemistry (RSEQ) took part in the evaluation committee of the III Crystallization-at-School contest, that was held at the University of Cantabria. In this edition 18 groups formed by 3 students coming from secondary and high schools presented their flashy creations.

#### May 6th, 2019 - Meetings with Chemical Engineering

Students of the secondary school Valle del Saja in Cabezón de la Sal (Cantabria) visited the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department. Raquel Ibáñez delivered a talk about the role of Chemical Engineers around the world. Then, students visited the facilities of the Department to know about the different academic and research activities that are currently performed.





#### May 10th, 2019 - University of Cantabria Information Fair

The University of Cantabria organized the day "Feria informativa UC", with the aim of showing the academic offer of the UCto prospective students. Raquel Ibáñez, Eugenio Bringas and Marcos Fallanza were in charge of explaining to the audience the academic levels in the area of Chemical Engineering, including the degree, master and the doctorate program.

#### May 17th, 2019 - Meetings with Chemical Engineering

Students of 4º ESO of the Atalaya School visited the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department. Elena Manteca and Gema Pérez organized two experimental activities that students developed during the whole morning, consisting on the removal of cupper from a wastewater sample by applying ion exchange technology, and a chromatographic separation by doing an experiment using cromatography paper. They watched how an ion cromatograph works.



#### May 24th, 2019 - Ecodesign Exhibition

Students of the Master in Chemical Engineering who follow the course Life Cycle Assessment of Processes and Products showed their works in the hall of the ETSIIT of the University of Cantabria. The students used eco-design strategies and tools in their propose new eco-designed products.





#### June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – Science Week CEIP Sardinero

Elena Manteca and Gema Pérez participated in the celebration of the Science Week of the Sardinero Primary School. They organized a science show on chemical engineering. The fundamentals of chromatography analysis were explained, through a simple experiment to separate the colors of an ink. In a second experiment, students played with the periodic table of the chemical elements, in a way to celebrate the 150 anniversary of the periodic table.





#### July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 - ANQUE-ICCE3-CIBIQ

The Association of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering of Cantabria – AQUIQÁN organized an event to acknowledge all the volunteers that collaborated during the celebration of the ANQUE-ICCE 3 –CIBIQ, held in Santander last June 17-21, 2019. The volunteers received a diploma that recognized their participation in the organization of the event and a picture as a memory of the conference.

# July 22<sup>dn</sup>, 2019 – Celebration of the new births during Academic year 2018/2019

The Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department congratulated the parents of the 8 recent births, in the Department. During the celebration the parents received a small present for the babies from their Department's colleagues





#### July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – SUMMER EXCURSION

The members of the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department spent the day in Ajo to welcome the 2019 summer. The day started with a hiking trail along the coast of Ajo Cape and after that all the participants had lunch together.



#### **February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Prof. Raquel Ibáñez was interviewed by Gema Matanzas on the radio program "La Vida por Delante", of the local radio "Radio Santoña", on the occassion of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science.

#### June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Prof. Ignacio Fernández was interviewed by Javier Barbero on the radio program "Cantabria en la Onda", of the radio "Onda Cero", on the occassion of the Environment World Day.

#### February 27th, 2019

Prof. Ignacio Fernández was interviewed by Javier Barbero on the radio program "Cantabria en la Onda", of the radio "Onda Cero", about the atmospheric pollution in Cantabria region.





#### **November 2018 - March 2019**

Ane Urtiaga and Andrea Arguillarena were involved in the project "Ciencia con Arte", organized by the University of Cantabria. The aim was to bring the research of the UC closer to secondary school students in the region and promote scientific vocations. In this project, the students of Ocho de Marzo High School (Castro Urdiales) selected the project LIFE2ACID to prepare an artistic video using the "stop motion" animation technique.

The final video made by the students is available on: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aaYVmLMX8Sk&t=2s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aaYVmLMX8Sk&t=2s</a>





#### September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Researchers of the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department participated in the event "European Researchers' Night", organized by the Scientific Culture and Innovation Unit of the University of Cantabria in Pombo Square, Santander. A total of 29 members of the four research groups (DEPRO, PAS, TAB and IPS) performed science shows and several activities aimed at making chemical engineering science closer to the general public, and the relevance of R&D in daily life.





#### November 8th, 2019

82 students of the schools Jardín de África, Augusto G. Linares and Menendez Pelayo had the opportunity to visit the Department and speak to researchers that are working on different projects.

#### November 1th, 2019

The NEPTUNUS project has been presented to high school students in two workshops during the Science Week of the University of Cantabria (UC). This time, we received students (4ºESO to 2º Bachillerato) from the IES Fuente Fresnedo (Laredo). The workshop involved the interaction with students in order to answer questions such as "What is sustainability and carbon footprint?" or "How does climate change affect fisheries and aquaculture?". Besides, a case study about the life cycle assessment of the Cantabrian anchovy was presented. The students discovered which is the most ecofriendly anchovy product regarding the packaging (tin, plastic or glass) and surprising reactions were found.

#### November 15th, 2019

74 students of the schools Reina Inmaculada, Las Llamas and Jose María Pereda, had the opportunity to visit the Department and speak to researchers that are working on different projects.









November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - Workshop "What can a chemical engineer do against the climate change?"



November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - Workshop "Blue energy: obteniendo energía sostenible del mar"

November 14<sup>h</sup>, 2019 - Workshop "Nanomateriales aplicados a la energía y el medio ambiente"





#### December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 – Meetings with Chemical Engineering

A group of 36 primary students of the school Cicero visited the ETSIIT of the University of Cantabria. The students visited the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department, where they dressed up like a chemical engineer working in a lab, and did a chromatography experiment aimed at separating the different colors in pen ink, and learnt how the Chem-e-car, developed by chemical engineer students, works.



#### December 19th, 2019 – Lecture at Santa Clara School

Alfredo Ortiz delivered a talk to secondary students of Santa Clara School, in which he highlighted the importance of Chemistry in the society and in the industrial and academic sector of Cantabria region and showed them some examples of applications of the different topics that they study at school.



On December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 the Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Department celebrated the Christmas party at the Casino de Santander.





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