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PRESENTATION OF HTC AWARD TO DR. HEIDI GOENAGA-INFANTE, at the *6th International Symposium on Hyphenated Techniques in Chromatography and Hyphenated Chromatographic Analyzers (HTC-6)*, Bruges, Belgium, 9–11 February 2000

During the HTC symposia a prestigious HTC Award, sponsored by Elsevier Science, is traditionally presented to the most innovative paper or poster contribution to the symposium. The international ad hoc jury was again chaired by Professor Dr. F. Adams, chairman of the Scientific Committee. The recipient of the HTC-6 Award was selected by the jury on the basis of the novelty of the scientific content of the abstract and the presentation in the general framework of the themes of the symposium. The jury noted that several excellent presentations met these criteria very well and that there was a profusion of innovative developments in the general area of the symposium. However, with unanimity the jury selected to attribute the Award to Dr. Heidi Goenaga-Infante, a young postdoctoral participant from the University of Oviedo (Spain), on the basis of the following motivation: as a novelty in hyphenated methods of analysis, the work introduced the utilization of vesicle-mediated high-performance liquid chromatography for the separation and determination of cadmium-protein complexes, based on the utilization

of a combination of HPLC with hydride generation inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry. The jury wanted to give a sign with the Award to attract the attention not only to this young scientist but also to the laboratory in Spain where the work was carried out.

Dr. Heidi Goenaga-Infante

Dr. Goenaga-Infante was born on 25 January 1969. She has Cuban nationality; in 1991 she obtained her B.Sc. degree from the University of Havana (Cuba) and in 1999 she obtained her Ph.D. degree at the University of Oviedo (Spain). The title of the Ph.D. Thesis was 'Development of new analytical technologies for ultratrace determination and speciation of cadmium in biological and environmental samples'. She currently works at the University of Antwerp in Belgium. She has published in *J. Anal. At. Spectrom.*, *Metal Ions Biol. Med.*, and *Ciencias Quim.* She won various prizes while in Havana; the HTC Award is the first prize won abroad.

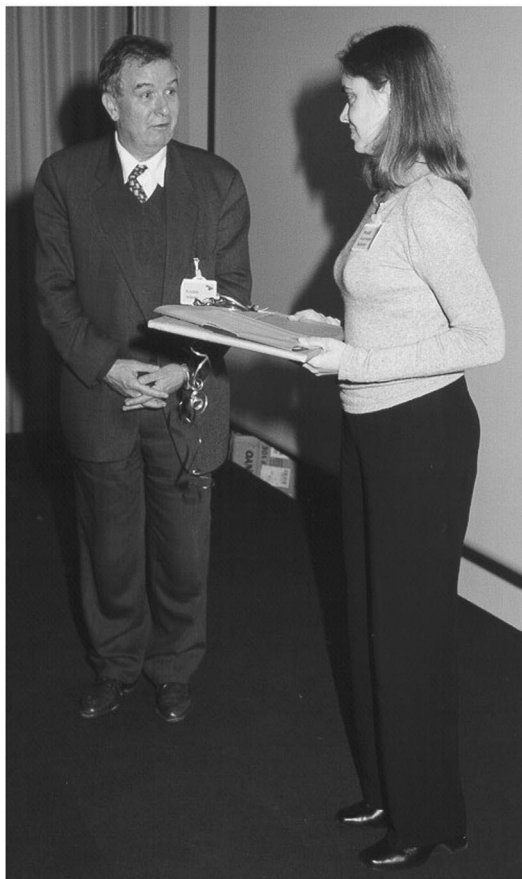


Fig. 1. Professor Dr. F. Adams, Chairman of the Scientific Committee, presents the HTC Award to Dr. Heidi Goenaga-Infante.



Fig. 2. Dr. Heidi Goenaga-Infante.



Fig. 3. (Left to Right): Dr. Heidi Goenaga-Infante, Dr. Simeon Semenov and Janusz Pawliszyn, the last 3 HTC Award Winners, sponsored by Elsevier.