

Junior Scientists Participation Fellowship – Alicia Casitas



Alicia Casitas is originally from Girona (1985, Spain). She received her Chemistry Degree (2007) from University of Girona (Spain) and in 2012 she completed her PhD at the same university under the supervision of Prof. Miquel Costas and Prof. Xavi Ribas. During her PhD she was a visiting student in the groups of Prof. Shannon S. Stahl at University of Wisconsin-Madison (2009) and Prof. Matthew J. Gaunt at Cambridge University (2011). From 2013 to 2015 Alicia was a Ramón Areces postdoctoral fellow at Max-Planck-Institut für Kohlenforschung (Mülheim/Ruhr, Germany) in the group of Alois Fürstner. In 2016 she moved to Institut Català d'investigació Química (ICIQ, Spain) as a Juan de la Cierva-Incorporation fellow in the Lloret-Fillol group. In 2018, Alicia started her independent career at Institut de Química Computacional i Catàlisi (IQCC) in Girona as a Junior-Leader LaCaixa Fellowship. In 2019, she was appointed Junior Professor (W1) in Organic Chemistry in the Faculty of Chemistry at Philipps-Universität Marburg (Germany). Her research interests focus on the development of sustainable catalytic methods towards organic synthesis and in the elucidation of reaction mechanisms with middle and late first-row transition metal catalysts.