



2023 YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD WINNER

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the winner of the *Foods* 2023 Young Investigator Award is Dr. Raúl González-Domínguez.

Dr. Raúl González-Domínguez is the Principal Investigator of the “Metabolomics & Bioanalysis” research group at the Biomedical Research and Innovation Institute of Cadiz (INiBICA), Cadiz, Spain.

His research interests are focused on developing, applying, and integrating mass spectrometry-based omics approaches, including metabolomics and metallomics, in biomedicine, epidemiology, and nutrition. In particular, he has great experience investigating the molecular mechanisms behind the onset and progression of Alzheimer’s disease and cognitive decline, obesity, and other cardiometabolic diseases. Additionally, he has participated in multiple projects to characterize the role of gut microbiota, nutrition, and other sources of exposure (i.e., the exposome) on health status.

Dr. Raúl González-Domínguez received his Ph.D. in 2015, and has published 93 articles in peer-reviewed international journals, 11 book chapters, most often as the first author (54) or corresponding author (45), and edited three books. He actively participates in scientific conferences (74/53 contributions to International/National conferences), is a researcher in 18 International Projects (JPI-HDHL, EIT-Health) and 23 National Projects (MINECO, ISCIII) funded through competitive calls, and in seven R&D contracts with public and private entities. Dr. Raúl González-Domínguez’s Scopus Scientific Citations number is 2516, and his Hirsch index is 29. He is a rising star in food science and technology, and has secured funding of more than 3 million EUR since 2019. This is an outstanding achievement in today’s competitive environment. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Raúl González-Domínguez for his outstanding achievements.

As the awardee, Dr. Raúl González-Domínguez will receive an honorarium of CHF 2000, an offer to publish a paper free of charge before 31 December 2023 in *Foods* after peer review, and an electronic certificate.

We would like to thank all the nominators from various fields of study for their participation and all the Award Committee Members for their evaluation of the many excellent nominations.

Editor-in-Chief, Prof. Dr. Arun K. Bhunia, on behalf of the *Foods* 2023 Young Investigator Evaluation Committee