

27th CONGRESS OF SCTM

The 27th Congress of SCTM organized by the Society of Chemists and Technologists of Macedonia took place in Ohrid, Macedonia, September 25th – 28th, 2024. With 4 plenary sessions, 9 invited lecturers from Italy, Spain, Serbia, Czech Republic, Denmark, and the United Kingdom and almost 200 presentations by 550 authors and co-authors from the region and much beyond, it made it a truly international congress, where a diverse array of topics were presented, which reflect the great energy and commitment of the scientific community. From discoveries in nanomaterials, to advances in biotechnology, electrochemistry, green chemistry to the latest pharmaceutical research, each abstract demonstrates the extraordinary flexibility and ingenuity of our colleagues. It is particularly important to mention the wide range of oral and poster presentations by researchers representing Austria, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Germany, Greece, Italy, Kosovo, Montenegro, Poland, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Romania and Russia.

Apart from the aspiration, through the rich scientific program of this congress, to deepen interactions with colleagues from other institutions and countries and to build new relationships and collaborations, our main goal was young researchers. That's why this year we introduced a novelty, the announcement of three best posters at the Congress, which were awarded to three young colleagues. The intention was to build on the nexus between education and research and inspire and energize the young in the intricacies of the science of chemistry and chemical engineering.

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We hope that this year's event will stay in a good memory and that we will see you even in a larger number in two years time.

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