

Tomás Torres, Professor of Organic Chemistry at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid and Associate Senior Professor at IMDEA Nanociencia, has been awarded the "Linstead Career Award in Phthalocyanine Chemistry 2016". This award is given every two years by the Society of Porphyrins and Phthalocyanines (SPP) to "highly distinguished scientists, for their quality and trajectory throughout their research life." The award was presented during the 9th International Conference on Porphyrins and Phthalocyanines (ICPP-9) held in Nanjing, China.

Prof. Torres's contributions mainly include the synthesis of unsymmetric phthalocyanines and subphthalocyanines, their conjugation with carbon nanostructures (fullerenes, nanotubes and graphene), supramolecular organization in solution and condensed phases, and applications of these compounds in non-linear optics (NLO), Photoinduced electron transfer, molecular photovoltaics (organic solar cells, hybrids and perovskites), and more recently in areas of nanotechnology (organization and synthesis in surfaces) and nanomedicine (photodynamic therapy, PDT, cancer and atherosclerosis, and Inactivation of bacteria and viruses). Torres has published more than 500 articles, reviews and patents, and has an h-index of 73, with 14 "highly cited papers" (Thomson Reuters).