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Ángela Soria García awarded an SPIE Optics and Photonics Scholarship

BELLINGHAM, Washington, USA — **Ángela Soria García** has been awarded a 2024 Optics and Photonics Scholarship by SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics, for potential contributions to optics, photonics, or a related field.



Soria Garcia is currently pursuing her PhD in the Department of Optics at the Complutense University of Madrid (Spain), under the supervision of **Dr. Luis Miguel Sánchez Brea** and **Dr. Jesús del Hoyo**. Her doctoral research is mainly focused on the development of vector diffractive optical elements generated by nanostructures, including amplitude or phase-modulating devices manufactured with ultrashort pulse lasers and polarization-modulating nanophotonic devices generated through metasurfaces or laser-induced periodic surface structures. "I am a member of the Applied Optics Complutense Group and I hope to contribute to the scientific community by enhancing these photonic devices for industrial application," said Soria

Garcia.

This month, the Society is awarding \$303,000 in scholarships to 72 outstanding SPIE Student Members, based on their potential contribution to optics and photonics, or a related discipline. Successful applicants were evaluated, selected, and approved by the SPIE Scholarship Committee, chaired by **SPIE Senior Member Brian Primeau**.

Since this program began in 1978, SPIE has distributed more than \$7.5 million dollars in individual scholarships. This ambitious effort reflects the Society's commitment to education as well as to the future generations of optical scientists and engineers around the world.

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