

## Election

2025 Elections – National Representative Spain

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## Previous positions as ESICM officer

Type	Country	Function	Section	From	To
N/A					

## Specialisation

Speciality	Diploma	Year of qualification	Type speciality
Primary speciality	Intensive Care Specialist by the Spanish Ministry of Health	2010	Intensive Care

## Positions

Institution	Department	Function	From	To
Hospital Universitario Puerta de Hierro Majadahonda	Intensive Care	Consultant	2010-06-01	2025-09-01

## Professional Bodies Appointments

Society	Status	From	to
Spanish Society of Intensive Care Medicine and Coronary Units (SEMICYUC)	Executive Committee member	2023-06-01	2025-06-01
Spanish Society of Intensive Care Medicine and Coronary Units (SEMICYUC)	Research Committee member	2023-06-01	2025-06-01

Spanish Society of Intensive Care Medicine and Coronary Units (SEMICYUC)	Congress Committee	2023-06-01	2025-06-01
Spanish Society of Intensive Care Medicine and Coronary Units (SEMICYUC)	Vicechair of the National Working Group on analgesia, sedation and delirium	2021-06-01	2023-06-01
Spanish Society of Intensive Care Medicine and Coronary Units (SEMICYUC)	Chair of the National Working Group on analgesia, sedation and delirium	2023-06-01	2025-06-01

## Comments

### Details on your candidature

Intensive Care Specialist, title granted by the Spanish Ministry of Health after completing a 5-year residency program. Intensive Care Specialist since 2010. Currently a member of both the Spanish Society of Intensive Care Medicine and Coronary Units (SEMICYUC) and the ESICM. Obtained the EDIC diploma in November 2013. Course leader of the C19\_SPACE program at Hospital Universitario Puerta de Hierro Majadahonda. EDIC examiner at the Oporto venue since 2022. Associate Professor of Medicine at the Autónoma University of Madrid. Associate Editor of Medicina Intensiva Journal. Recently I have acted as the principal investigator for my center of the SaNDMAN and ALERT-UCI studies and I have led the multicenter study OCEANIA-MS (Opioids Consumption after Admission to Intensive Care. Multicenter Study) carried out across 25 Spanish ICU. Its results will be presented at LIVES 2025. Below are my most relevant publications from the past 4 years:

- Alcántara Carmona S, García Sánchez M. Management of the difficult to sedate patient in the Intensive Care Setting. Med Intensiva (Engl Ed). 2021 Oct;45(7):437-441. doi: 10.1016/j.medine.2021.06.004.
- Riera J, Roncon-Albuquerque R Jr, Fuset MP, Alcántara S, Blanco-Schweizer P; ECMOVIBER Study Group. Increased mortality in patients with COVID-19 receiving extracorporeal respiratory support during the second wave of the pandemic. Intensive Care Med. 2021 Dec;47(12):1490-1493. doi: 10.1007/s00134-021-06517-9.
- Riera J, Alcántara S, Bonilla C, Fortuna P, Blandino Ortiz A, Vaz A et al. Risk factors for mortality in patients with COVID-19 needing extracorporeal respiratory support. Eur Respir J. 2022 Feb 10;59(2):2102463. doi: 10.1183/13993003.02463-2021.
- García Sánchez M, Alcántara Carmona S. Is the reduction of opiates in the critical patient really possible? Med Intensiva (Engl Ed). 2022 May;46(5):269-272. doi: 10.1016/j.medine.2022.02.018.
- Giménez-Esparza Vich C, Alcántara Carmona S, García Sánchez M. Delirium in COVID-

19. Practical aspects of a frequent association. *Med Intensiva (Engl Ed)*. 2022 Jun;46(6):336–340. doi: 10.1016/j.medine.2022.04.007.

- Cantón–Bulnes ML, Jiménez–Sánchez M, Alcántara–Carmona S, Gimeno–Costa R, Berezo–García JÁ, Beato C et al. Determinants of mortality in cancer patients with unscheduled admission to the Intensive Care Unit: A prospective multicenter study. *Med Intensiva (Engl Ed)*. 2022 Dec;46(12):669–679. doi: 10.1016/j.medine.2021.08.019.
- Tejado S, Naharro A, Alcántara S. Analgesia as part of the orotracheal intubation induction sequence. *Intensive Care Med*. 2022 Dec;48(12):1833–1834. doi: 10.1007/s00134-022-06886-9.
- Alcántara Carmona S, Chamorro–Jambrina C. Current role of midazolam in sedation of the ventilated critically ill patient: in favour. *Med Intensiva (Engl Ed)*. 2024 Mar;48(3):174–176. doi: 10.1016/j.medine.2023.12.003.
- Alcántara Carmona S, Del Saz A, Contreras S, Riera J, Blandino A; Volatile Sedation on VV–ECMO Research Group. Volatile sedation practices in patients with severe acute respiratory distress syndrome under VV–ECMO support. *Intensive Care Med*. 2024 Jul;50(7):1161–1163. doi: 10.1007/s00134-024-07479-4.
- Alcántara Carmona S, Villanueva Fernández H. ECPR ... Ready for it? *Med Intensiva (Engl Ed)*. 2024 Oct;48(10):563–564. doi: 10.1016/j.medine.2024.07.010.
- Alcántara Carmona S, Romera Ortega MÁ, Chamorro–Jambrina C. Bispectral Index Monitoring vs Clinical Assessment for Deep Sedation in the ICU: It's Not All About the Number. *Chest*. 2025 Mar;167(3):e101–e102. doi: 10.1016/j.chest.2024.09.046.
- Alcántara Carmona S, Romera Ortega MÁ, Chamorro Jambrina C. Volatile sedation for cardiac arrest patients. The question is still unanswered. *Resuscitation*. 2025 Apr;209:110576. doi: 10.1016/j.resuscitation.2025.110576.
- Alcántara Carmona S, Romera Ortega MÁ. Sedation and COVID–19. Time to forget, time for a comeback. *Med Intensiva (Engl Ed)*. 2025 Jul 29:502264. doi: 10.1016/j.medine.2025.502264.

I am currently applying for the position of National Representative of Spain. For the June 2023 – June 2025 term, I was appointed to both the Executive Committee and the Research Committee of SEMICYUC. During this period, I also served on the Congress Committee, helping organize the 2024 and 2025 National Congresses of SEMICYUC in Barcelona and Valencia, respectively. In addition, I chaired the Working Group on Analgesia, Sedation, and Delirium of SEMICYUC during that same period of time. Through these roles, I gained valuable insight into how a scientific society functions and what the key aspects of its organization are. I also discovered that I greatly enjoy this type of “administrative” work.

I believe that serving as the Spanish Representative on the ESICM Council will allow me to better understand the reality of ESICM and how the society operates. This experience will broaden my perspective and enable me to bring new ideas “back home.” I see the role of a National Representative as that of a liaison between my national society (SEMICYUC) and

Europe (ESICM). This connection could foster initiatives ranging from teaching and training to mentorship/fellowship programs and research opportunities. I strongly believe the Intensive Care community should take full advantage of international collaborations, working together to unify not only clinical practice but also education and training. Furthermore, multicenter studies involving diverse geographical areas should become a standard in our field.

Spain has outstanding intensive care specialists, and ICU care is performed at the highest level. However, I believe we still have progress to make in terms of collaboration with our European colleagues. A historical challenge has been related to the English language, and even our younger colleagues often lack confidence in their communication skills. We must empower them, providing a supportive environment where they feel encouraged and heard. As National Representative, I will strive to support and motivate them to take part in a broader, more diverse international community.

## Financial interests

### Description

I have no financial interests to declare

### Source

## Academic interests

### Description

I have no academic interests that might compromise my decisions or behaviour.

### Declare no conflict of interest

Yes

**I hereby certify that I have read and understood the Statutes of ESICM.**

Yes

**I hereby certify that I have read and understood the job description for the position I am applying to.**

Yes

**I am able to dedicate enough time to perform the job and attend the regular meetings necessary for this position.**

Yes

**I hereby certify that I agree on all the tasks described in the job description and agree to undertake them.**

Yes

**I confirm that the information given in this form is to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and accurate.**

Yes