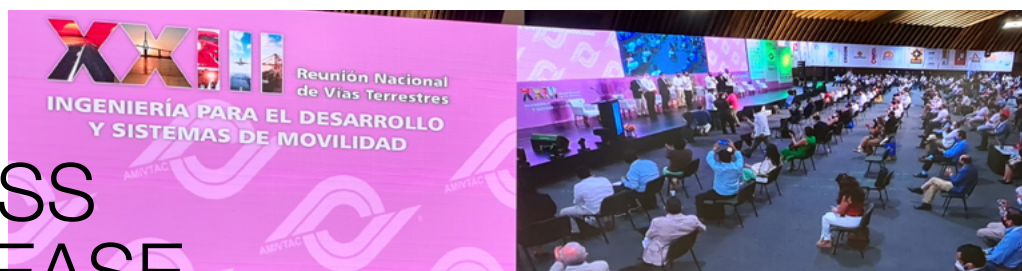


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## Álvaro Gutiérrez Muñiz, a QUIMIKAO engineer at the Mexican subsidiary of KAO CHEMICALS EUROPE, wins the “José Carreño Romani” award presented by AMIVTAC.

Barberà del Vallès (October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021) – **AMIVTAC** (Mexican Association of Engineering for Roadways) presented engineer **Álvaro Gutiérrez Muñiz** with the “**José Carreño Romani**” award, for the best technical article related to roadways, at the **XXIII AMIVTAC National Meeting**, which took place on September 30<sup>th</sup> in Oaxaca, Mexico.

The article entitled ‘How to reduce the stiffness and fragility of asphalt due to oxidation’ was highlighted by the AMIVTAC as “*an advance in understanding the limitations of asphalt in the manufacture of flexible pavements, while providing a choice of additive solutions to prevent asphalt stiffness due to oxidation*”.

### About AMIVTAC

The Mexican Association of Engineering for Roadways (AMIVTAC) promotes and contributes to progress on road science and technology, in terms of technical, administrative and operational issues, and with respect to various means of transport for the benefit of the community and the country. AMIVTAC created the “José Carreño Romani” award in order to stimulate research and the dissemination of achievements and technical experiences that constitute a contribution to technological development.

### About Kao Chemicals Europe

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