

Chemistry Rediscovered

Sir Geoffrey Wilkinson Video Competition

hosted by the European Young Chemists' Network (EYCN)



This year, the European Young Chemists' Network (EYCN) will organize the fifth edition of its video contest Chemistry Rediscovered with the generous support of the Wilkinson Charitable Foundation. Young chemists (12-35 years old) are invited to send in their creative videos on the theme: **“The Kitchen Lab: Where Science Sizzles”** with a maximum length of 90 seconds. Detailed information about the contest and all requirements for the videos can be found in the Rules and Regulations section below.

The contest will be split into two groups depending on the participants' education level, which will be judged separately. In the beginning of 2026 the winning videos will be published online, so the winners, European chemists, and the public can enjoy and be inspired by this work. The principal purpose of this project is to encourage young chemists to get creative with chemistry. In doing this, the hope is that they will inspire others to think and talk about science in new and different ways.

Relevant Links:

- [Contest Webpage](#)
- [European Young Chemists' Network](#)
- [Wilkinson Charitable Foundation](#)

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Rules and Regulations

1. **The deadline for the applications is** 31st of October 2025 and the **award** will take place on 12th – 16th of July 2026 during the 10th EuChemS Chemistry Congress (ECC) in Antwerp (Belgium). EYCN reserves the right to adjust the deadlines herein without justification.

2. Registration

The application requires:

- **Information** about the contestant(s): name, age, country, name of the institute (school/university/company), level of education (pupil/undergraduate/student/PhD) and e-mail address;
- **A written description** of the video of max 350 words;
- **A video file**, illustrating the theme “**The Kitchen Lab: Where Science Sizzles**”.

Please note that the video can be experimental or non-experimental. **In case of an experimental video**, a (short) experimental protocol should be added, containing Introduction, Materials and Methods, Safety Rules and Procedures, Results, Discussion and Conclusions.

- **For contestants under the age of 18**, a written permission of a legal guardian has to be added, that allows participation in the contest.

The application files should be sent via the e-mail science@eycn.eu. The contestants will receive a confirmation of receipt of their submission up to 7 days after the submission.

3. Contestant Requirements

Every young chemist or interested person who complies with the age requirement (12-35 years old) can participate in this competition, either alone or in a team (no limitation for the number of participants per group). Any Executive Board Members and Employees of the European Chemical Society (EuChemS) and current EYCN Board Members and Delegates are excluded from this competition.

4. Video Requirements

Any submitted video should not surpass the maximum length of 90 seconds. Also the video should be understandable for an international jury and audience, which means it should either be in the English language, a non-spoken video or provide English subtitles.

Videos from previous editions of the Chemistry Rediscovered video contest can be found below:

- [Chemistry Rediscovered 2017](#)
- [Chemistry Rediscovered 2019 – In Your Element](#)
- [Chemistry Rediscovered 2021 – Safety in Chemistry](#)
- [Chemistry Rediscovered 2023 – Bringing the Sustainable Development Goals to Life](#)

5. Jury

All submitted videos will be evaluated by the organizers of this competition (EYCN Science Team members and involved organizers). A selection of videos will then be judged by an international jury composed by officials of various organization (e.g. EYCN Delegates, members of the EuChemS Executive Board and/or Secretariat, trustees of the Wilkinson Charitable Foundation, and others).

6. Evaluation

Submissions to the contest will be split into two groups depending on the participants' education level: pupils ranging from 12 to 18 years old and early-career chemists ranging from 19 to 35 years old. These two groups will be judged separately.

The final evaluation of the videos will be performed by an international jury according to the following criteria:

- **Creativity**, originality, and the extent to which the content seeks to inspire others about chemistry;
- **Relevance** and compatibility with the competition theme;
- **Scientific accuracy** of the concepts presented in the video;
- In case of a tie between multiple teams/contestants, the winner will be decided by casting a vote.

7. AI usage

It is allowed to use AI in the videos, however information how it was used in preparation of the video should be included in registration form. It is contestants responsibility to make sure that submitted video, especially in part where AI was used, is factually correct.

8. Awards

The winning videos will be shown during the 10th EuChemS Chemistry Congress in Antwerp, July 2026. The winner(s) will be invited to attend the ceremony in Antwerp (travel and accomodation included). Further prizes for the winning entries will be announced

throughout the duration of the competition via the EYCN's social media channels.

In case a team of multiple contestants wins a prize, this prize will be divided amongst them. The maximum value of the prize for one team cannot exceed 1500 €. The specifics of the prizes are at the organizer's sole discretion. Prizes are not transferable; no substitutions are permitted. All taxes and any other costs related to this prize not specifically stated within these Rules & Regulations are the sole responsibility of the winner(s). For the winners under the age of 18, a guardian (e.g., a parent or teacher) has to accompany the pupils on the trip. The guardian's travel costs can be paid from the team's prize budget (as long as it does not exceed the given amount).

9. Promotion/Publicity

By submitting an entry, you grant the EYCN and its partners the right to use information and content provided by you for publicity and institutional promotional purposes to the extent permitted by law. You understand and agree that the EYCN may request more information from you for such purposes, should your video become a finalist or a prize-winner. You also agree not to claim or imply for any reason that the EYCN and its partners are not entitled to use your video.

10. Copyright

By submitting an entry, the entrant confirms that the entrant or team is the sole author and owner of the copyright of the video and **your video does not contain any non-licensed, copyrighted material** (including any images, video clips, music, etc.). The author of the video will be responsible for securing the licensing rights. To avoid the expense and difficulty of securing such rights, we recommend using only original, non-copyrighted material or material licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-ShareAlike license. The EYCN reserves the right to disqualify entries that violate these conditions at any stage of the contest. In the case that the EYCN only learns about such a violation after the entry has been declared a winner, the entrant(s) are required to give/pay back any prizes won. In case of copyright violations, the any claims of the actual copyright owners have to be paid by the entrant(s).

11. Rights, Distribution and Privacy

By submitting your video into this competition, you hereby grant to the EYCN the royalty-free, non-exclusive right to publish in print and online, and to distribute your video in whole or in part. The EYCN is not assuming any obligation hereunder to distribute any picture/video submitted to the contest.

You understand and agree that once you submit or attempt to submit your video, it is an entry into the competition. You shall have no right to prohibit, restrict, revoke or terminate any of the rights granted to the EYCN hereunder. Moreover, you understand and acknowledge that you are not entitled to any compensation or other consideration for your video once submitted into the contest.

- By submitting an entry, each entrant confirms in respect of any content submitted that:
- entrant and any identifiable person on the video has waived their rights to privacy on the video;
 - any identifiable person on the video has consented to the entry of the video in this competition and on the terms and conditions set out herein;
 - the entrant is/you are the sole author and owner of the copyright of the video and **your video does not contain any copyrighted material** (including any images, video clips, music, etc.);
 - you warrant that the video contains no libelous or unlawful statements, does not infringe upon the rights (including, but not limited to the copyright, patent or trademark rights) or the privacy of others, or contain material or instructions that might cause harm or injury;
 - written permission has been obtained from the legal guardian of any minor appearing on the video;
 - Copyright in your contribution will remain with you and this permission is not exclusive, so you can continue to use the material in any way including allowing others to use it.

12. Privacy Policy

Personal data (usually referred to just as "data" below) will only be processed by us to the extent necessary and for the purpose of hosting this competition.

Per Art. 4 No. 1 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, i.e. the General Data Protection Regulation (hereinafter referred to as the "GDPR"), "processing" refers to any operation or set of operations such as collection, recording, organization, structuring, storage, adaptation, alteration, retrieval, consultation, use, disclosure by transmission, dissemination, or otherwise making available, alignment, or combination, restriction, erasure, or destruction performed on personal data, whether by automated means or not.

The following privacy policy is intended to inform you in particular about the type, scope, purpose, duration, and legal basis for the processing of such data either under our own control or in conjunction with others. We also inform you below about the third-party components we use to optimize our website and improve the user experience which may

result in said third parties also processing data they collect and control.

I. The rights of users and data subjects

With regard to the data processing to be described in more detail below, users and data subjects have the right:

- to confirmation of whether data concerning them is being processed, information about the data being processed, further information about the nature of the data processing, and copies of the data (cf. also Art. 15 GDPR);
- to correct or complete incorrect or incomplete data (cf. also Art. 16 GDPR);
- to the immediate deletion of data concerning them (cf. also Art. 17 DSGVO), or, alternatively, if further processing is necessary as stipulated in Art. 17 Para. 3 GDPR, to restrict said processing per Art. 18 GDPR;
- to receive copies of the data concerning them and/or provided by them and to have the same transmitted to other providers/controllers (cf. also Art. 20 GDPR);
- to file complaints with the supervisory authority if they believe that data concerning them is being processed by the controller in breach of data protection provisions (see also Art. 77 GDPR).

In addition, the controller is obliged to inform all recipients to whom it discloses data of any such corrections, deletions, or restrictions placed on processing the same per Art. 16, 17 Para. 1, 18 GDPR. However, this obligation does not apply if such notification is impossible or involves a disproportionate effort. Nevertheless, users have a right to information about these recipients.

Likewise, under Art. 21 GDPR, users and data subjects have the right to object to the controller's future processing of their data pursuant to Art. 6 Para. 1 lit. f) GDPR. In particular, an objection to data processing for the purpose of direct advertising is permissible.

II. Information about the data processing

Your data will be deleted or blocked as soon as the purpose for its storage ceases to apply, provided the deletion of the same is not in breach of any statutory storage obligations or unless otherwise stipulated below.