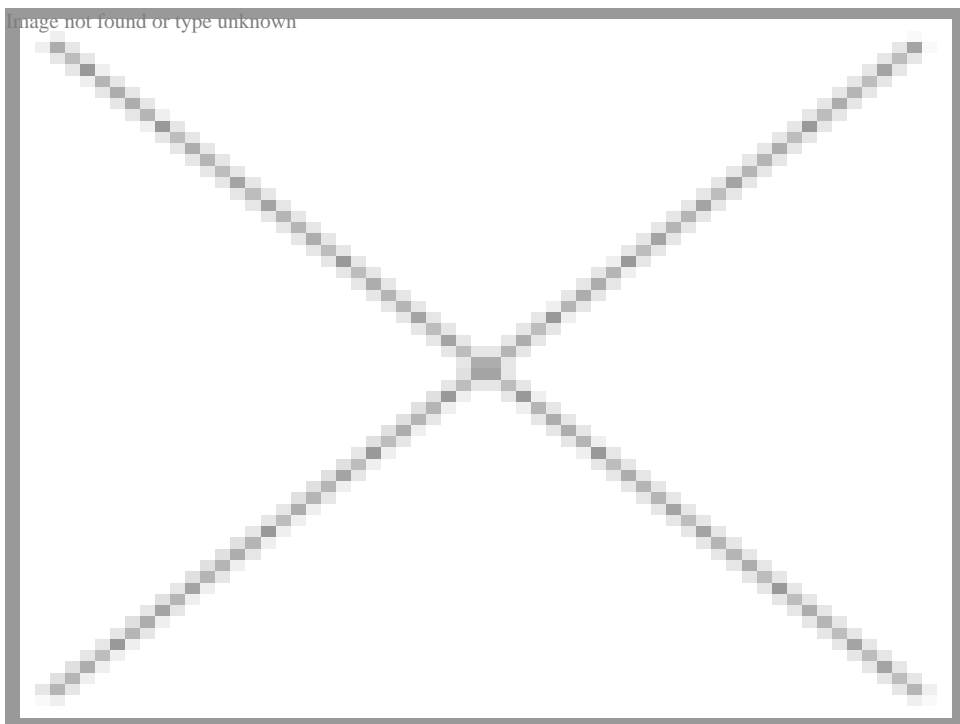


## FINA Scholarship holder Moreno achieves qualifying times for Budapest and the Youth Olympic Games

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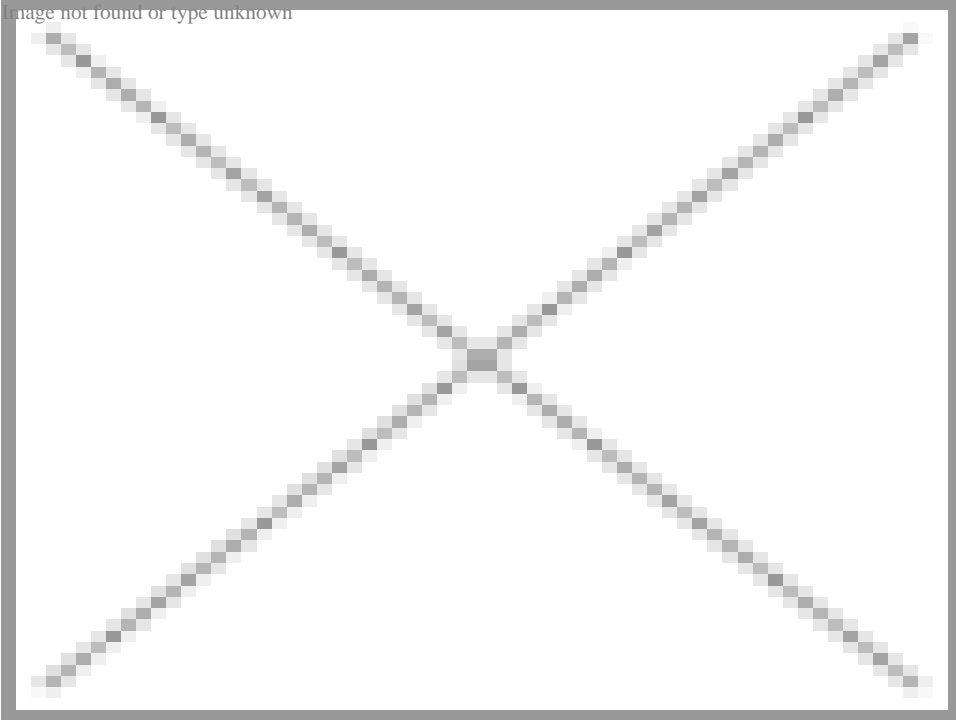
Helena Moreno, 16, from Costa Rica, who has been part of the [FINA Scholarship programme](#) [1] since January 2017, recently established B-standard times in the 200m (2:02.03), 400m (4:16.70) and 800m (8:47.52) at the San Juan International Swimming Open in April 2017 as reported her coach Mr. Pablo Camacho to FINA.



*Moreno achieved her first B-standard time at the ARENA Pro Swim at Indianapolis (March) 400m (4:17.56)*

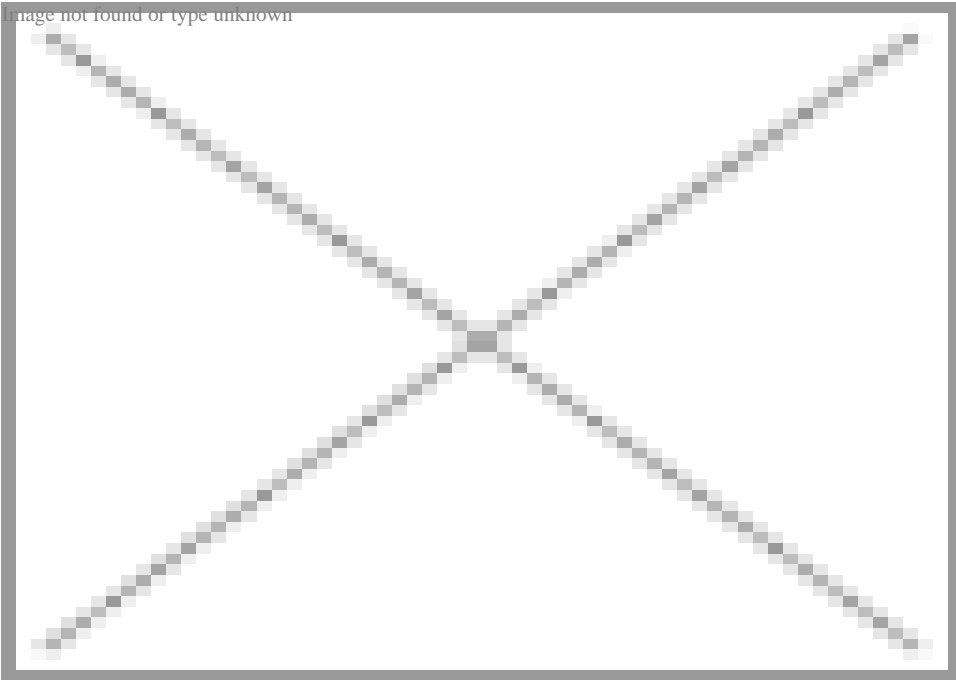
In addition and in her successful breakthrough, Moreno's also established qualifying times (A-standard) to be able to take part in the upcoming [Youth Olympic Games](#) [2] in Buenos Aires in autumn 2018. She will also enter three events in Buenos Aires, 200/400/800m freestyle.

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FINA has been financially supporting many young talents via its Scholarship programme, while 36 new athletes have been selected in 2017 and many more applications are under review.

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The ultimate goal of the programme is to help the aspiring champions to qualify and participate in the fast approaching 17th FINA World Championships, to be held from July 15-30 in Budapest, Hungary, and other international meets, as well as supporting them in their day-to-day training.

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