

KUZNETSOVA, 10 YEARS AT SANCHEZ-CASAL ACADEMY IN BARCELONA

The Russian tennis player Svetlana Kuznetsova, spent a decade in Spain and formed in Barcelona, in the Sanchez-Casal Academy (AS-C), under the direction of Emilio Sanchez Vicario and Sergio Casal. She came when she was 14 years.

She wanted to be professional tennis player. She borned in a sportlife family, her mother, Galina Tsareva, achieved six world titles (sprint) in track cycling and her brother Nikolai gained the Olympic silver in Atlanta ' 96 and her father, Alexandr, is a well known trainer.

When she came to Barcelona, the first aim was that she was to taste, she was improving her confidence without requirements in the short term and after two years of permanency in the Academy, she managed at 16 years old to be number 1 Junior of the world.

At the age of 17 she started travelling with a team of coaches from the Academy.

Her second great partner of doubles was Martina Navratilova with which she played during 2003 in that won four titles. With Stefan Ortega, Sanchez-Casal Coach, won in 2004 the US OPEN, 9 WTA singles tournament, 13 WTA doubles, 3 Fed Cup with the national team of Russia. In 2009 Sveta won Grand Slam Roland Garros.