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**Form:** Circular

**By:** Obverse after F, Bowcher

**Date:** 1996

**Ref:** Laidlaw: 1289;

**Variations:**

Size	Metal	Mass	Value
52.0 mm	Laquored Bronze	52.1 gm	\$25

**Edge:** Plain.

**Obverse:** Loosely draped female seated on right looking towards a flaming crucible on stand on left. Table Mountain and Lions Head in background. Signed: "F. BOWCHER. F" on ground. Legend: "VIR WETENSKAPLIKE PRESTASIE (left) (ornament) FOR SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENT (right)".

**Reverse:** Upper right across: "SUID-AFRIKAANSE / GENOOTSKAP VIR / DIE BEVORDERING / VAN DIE WETENSKAP / (ornament) SOUTH AFRICAN / ASSOCIATION FOR / THE ADVANCEMENT / OF SCIENCE". Lower left, engraved on plaque: "C. REINECKE / 1996" with branches of protea of lily behind.

**Notes:** Comes inside a fitted blue case lined with white silk-like and blue velvet-like material. The recipients name is on a printed card on the outside of the lid.

The South African Association for the Advancement of Science was founded in 1902 and modeled on the equivalent British society. Bronze medals are awarded annually to one candidate at the masters level from each South African university.

Laidlaw 1385 is an example of an earlier medal