

ESHO Merits Award




Since 1999 ESHO presents an award to ESHO members who have served the field of hyperthermia with outstanding merit. To honor these members an ESHO Special Merits Award has been created. The award carries the name of the ESHO and the sponsor of the award











For the very first award ceremony the ESHO board appointed a special award committee to select the awardee. Hereafter all initial committee members were replaced by awardees from previous years and now every year the longest serving committee member is replaced by the latest awardee. The Award Committee is given the strict instruction that it must operate fully independently of the ESHO board and that it should base its choice solely on the contribution of the member to the field of hyperthermia in oncology. That contribution might be fully visible to the field, for instance in case of clinical trials, or technological or biological developments, or could concern achieving important strategic benefits for clinical hyperthermia, for instance in securing reimbursement. Nationality or continent of the winner is irrelevant.

Yearly, the winner of the award is officially announced during the annual conference by presenting a certificate to the awardee and until 2018 a commemorative plaque. In a special Award session the chairperson of the jury (generally the awardee of the previous year) presents a laudation for the awardee, after which the awardee presents an overview of his/her contributions to the hyperthermia field. The award carries the name of ESHO plus the name of the company sponsoring the award. Originally the award was named the ESHO-BSD Award, but this changed in 2016 to ESHO-PYREXAR Award.











Prior to 1999 the ESHO-PYREXAR Award -or before that the Lund Science Award- was given to the first author of the most impressive paper submitted to the International Journal of Hyperthermia. At present the most relevant factor for being selected is that the Awardee has made a significant contribution towards the wider acceptance and use of clinical application of hyperthermia from either a scientific or societal point of view.

From 1999 then the Award has been given to:

| Year | Recipient | Discipline | Nationality | Award Committee President | Member of Award Committee |
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| 1999 | J. van der Zee  | MD |  | | Marchal, Vaupel, Kampinga, Lagendijk, Dahl |
| 2000 | P. Wust  | MD |  | J. van der Zee | Vd Zee, Marchal, Vaupel, Kampinga, Lagendijk, Dahl |

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| 2001 | D. Gonzalez-Gonzalez  | MD |  | P. Wust | Wust, Vd Zee, Marchal, Vaupel, Kampinga, Lagendijk, Dahl |
| 2002 | R.D. Issels  | MD |  | P. Wust | Wust, Vd Zee, Marchal, Vaupel, Kampinga, Lagendijk, Dahl |
| 2003 | J.J.W. Lagendijk  | Phys |  | R.D. Issels | Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Marchal, Vaupel, Kampinga, Lagendijk |
| 2004 | P. Vaupel  | Biol |  | J.J.W. Lagendijk | Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Marchal, Vaupel, Kampinga |
| 2005 | S. Maluta  | MD |  | P. Vaupel | Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Marchal, Kampinga |

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| 2006 | R. Felix  | MD |  | S. Maluta | Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Kampinga |
| 2007 | O. Dahl  | MD |  | S. Maluta | Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Kampinga |
| 2008 | G.C. van Rhoon  | Phys |  | O. Dahl | Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee |
| 2009 | M.W. Dewhirst  | Biol |  | G.C. van Rhoon | V Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust |
| 2010 | A.M.M. Eggermont  | MD |  | MW Dewhirst | Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels |

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| 2011 | M.R. Horsman  | Biol |  | A.M.M. Eggermont | Eggermont, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Legendijk |
| 2012 | G. Ter Haar  | Phys |  | M.R. Horsman | Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Legendijk |
| 2013 | R. Wessalowski  | MD |  | G. Ter Haar | Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel. |
| 2014 | D.B. Leeper  | Biol |  | R. Wessalowski | Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta |
| 2015 | J. Vrba  | Phys |  | D. Leeper | Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl |

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| 2016 | S. Bodis  | MD |  | J. Vrba | Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon |
| 2017 | T.L.M. ten Hagen  | Biol |  | S. Bodis | Bodis, Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst |
| 2018 | J. Crezee  | Phys |  | T.L.M. ten Hagen | ten Hagen, Bodis, Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman |
| 2019 | L. Lindner  | MD |  | J. Crezee | Crezee, ten Hagen, Bodis, Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar |
| 2020 | N.R. Datta  | MD |  | Special ESHO-Pyrexar award Initiative of R. Wessalowski and G.C. van Rhoon | |

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| 2021 | H. Grüll  | Biol |  | L. Lindner | Lindner, Crezee, ten Hagen, Bodis, Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski |
| 2022 | C. Diederich  | Phys |  | H. Grüll | Grüll, Lindner, Crezee, ten Hagen, Bodis, Vrba, Leeper |
| 2023 | R. Fietkau  | MD |  | C. Diederich | Diederich, Grüll, Lindner, Crezee, ten Hagen, Bodis, Vrba |
| 2024 | U. Gaipl  | Biol |  | R. Fietkau | Fietkau, Diederich, Grüll, Lindner, Crezee, ten Hagen, Bodis |