

## **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, technological developments or biological discoveries, 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-BSD 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 until present the Award has been given to:

Year	Recipient	Discipline	Nationality	Award Committee President	Member of Award Committee
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.
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>P. Vaupel</p> 	Biol		J.J.W. Lagendijk	Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Marchal, Vaupel, Kampinga.
2005	<p>S. Maluta</p> 	MD		P. Vaupel	Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Marchal, Kampinga.
2006	<p>R. Felix</p> 	MD		S. Maluta	Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Kampinga.
2007	<p>O. Dahl</p> 	MD		S. Maluta	Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee, Kampinga.
2008	<p>G.C. van Rhoon</p> 	Phys		O. Dahl	Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust, Vd Zee.

2009	<p>MW Dewhirst</p> 	Biol		G.C. van Rhoon	V Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels, Wust.
2010	<p>A.M.M. Eggermont</p> 	MD		MW Dewhirst	Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk, Issels.
2011	<p>M.R.Horsman</p> 	Biol		A.M.M. Eggermont	Eggermont, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk.
2012	<p>G. ter Haar</p> 	Phys		M.R. Horsman	Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel, Lagendijk.

2013	<p>R. Wessalowski</p> 	MD		G. Ter Haar	Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta, Vaupel.
2014	<p>D.B. Leeper</p> 	Biol		R. Wessalowski	Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl, Maluta.
2015	<p>J. Vrba</p> 	Phys		D. Leeper	Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon, Dahl.
2016	<p>S. Bodis</p> 	MD		J. Vrba	Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst, v Rhoon.

2017	<p>T.L.M. ten Hagen</p> 	Biol.		S. Bodis	Bodis, Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman, Dewhirst.
2018	<p>J. Crezee</p> 	Phys.		T.L.M. ten Hagen	Ten Hagen, Bodis, Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar, Horsman.
2019	<p>L. Lindner</p> 	MD		J. Crezee	Crezee, Ten Hagen, Bodis, Vrba, Leeper, Wessalowski, Ter Haar.