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Hygiene Prize and Hygiene Medal 2018 awarded by Rudolf Schülke Foundation

Top Scientists Honored for Pioneering Research in Hygiene and Microbiology



Hamburg, 9 February 2018 - *The **Rudolf Schülke Foundation** awarded its prestigious **Hygiene Prize** which is endowed with € 15,000 to the research team of **Dr. Bernard Krismer, Professor Andreas Peschel and Dr. Alexander Zipperer** from the Interfaculty Institute of Microbiology and Infection Medicine Tübingen (IMIT), Germany, for their excellent and pioneering publication “**Human commensals producing a novel antibiotic impair pathogen colonization**” (Nature 2016;535:511-516). This paper about the novel antibiotic agent Lugdunin was selected for the prize from 22 outstanding publications which had been submitted by unanimous vote from the jury. In addition, the **Hygieia Medal** was awarded to **Professor Philippe Hartemann**, Professor for Public Health, Hygiene and Environmental Medicine at Nancy University, France, for his outstanding lifetime achievements and commitment to research and prudent political strategies for the fields of hygiene and environmental medicine. The award ceremony took place after this year’s symposium entitled „**Global Hygiene Strategies for Health Care Facilities with Special Regard to Chemical Disinfection**“. Scientists from Germany, Austria, France, India and Singapore discussed current global disinfectant policies. A consensus paper based on the findings of the symposium will be published and made available online.*



Figure 2: Awarding Hygiene-Price and Hygieia-Medal: left to right Dr P. Oltmanns (Board Rudolf-Schülke-Foundation), Prof M. Exner (Board Rudolf-Schülke-Foundation), Dr A. Zipperer (Tübingen), Dr B. Krismer (Tübingen), Prof P. Hartemann (Nancy), PD Dr F. A. Pitten (Board Rudolf-Schülke-Foundation)

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