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Finalists Named for 2017 SLAS Innovation Award

Final round of judging and winner announced at SLAS2017

CHICAGO – Nine life sciences researchers are being honored as finalists for the 2017 SLAS Innovation Award, with the winner to be identified at the closing session of SLAS2017. The winner will receive a \$10,000 cash prize along with the prestige of joining the select company of previous winners of this exclusive award. [SLAS2017](#) is the Sixth Annual SLAS International Conference and Exhibition, which will take place Feb. 4-8 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC, USA.

The annual SLAS Innovation Award recognizes extraordinary achievement in innovative life sciences discovery and technology. All those selected to deliver podium presentations at the annual flagship SLAS international conference and exhibition are eligible to be considered for this award. After receiving nominations from 83 SLAS2017 podium presenters, the SLAS Innovation Award panel of judges invited 21 presenters to submit extended abstracts for further consideration. The complete judging criteria can be seen on the [Innovation Award page](#) of the SLAS2017 website.

Listed in alphabetical order, the 2017 SLAS Innovation Award finalists are:

Dean Ho, University of California – Los Angeles (USA)
Optimizing Clinical Combination Therapy Using a Phenotypic Personalized Medicine Technology Platform

Delyan P. Ivanov, University of Nottingham (United Kingdom)
Spheroid Microarrays to Rapidly Screen Spheroid Morphology and Protein Expression for Regenerative Medicine, Toxicology and Cancer Research

James E. Kirby, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and Harvard Medical School (USA)
Inkjet Printing Technology for Facilitated At Will Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing (FAST) in Under 5 Hours: Addressing the Needs of a So-Called 'Post-Antibiotic Era'

Michael Klinger, Fraunhofer Institute for Manufacturing Engineering and Automation (Germany)
A High Throughput Technology for the Isolation of Single Cells Using a Nanoliter Dispenser

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Tania Konry, Northeastern University (USA)

Dynamic Profiling of Anti-Tumor Immune Response at the Single-Cell Resolution by Microfluidic Cell Pairing

Christopher Millan, CellSpringAG (Switzerland)

Automated 3D Cell Culture Platform for Investigating Chemoresistance and Efficacy of Antibody-based Therapeutics

Elodie Sollier-Christen, Vortex Biosciences, Inc. (USA)

Vortex Biosciences Technology for Fast and Label-Free Isolation of Circulating Tumor Cells from Blood Samples

Tobias Wheeler, 10X Genomics (USA)

Transcriptional Profiling of Single Cells Using Droplet Microfluidics

Yu Shrike Zhang, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School (USA)

Rapid Multi-Material Extrusion Bioprinting

Recent winners of the SLAS Innovation Award include:

- 2016 Shana Kelley, University of Toronto; Toronto (Canada)
- 2015 Jonathan Wingfield, AstraZeneca, Cambridge (United Kingdom)
- 2014 Patrick P. Beattie, Diagnostics For All; Cambridge, MA (USA)
- 2013 Andrea Weston, Bristol-Myers Squibb; Hartford, CT (USA)
- 2012 Dan Dongeun Huh, Harvard University; Cambridge, MA (USA)
- 2011 Kamlesh Patel, Sandia National Laboratories; Livermore, CA (USA)
- 2010 Ali Khademhosseini, Harvard-Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Cambridge, MA (USA)

For more information about SLAS2016 or the SLAS Innovation Award program, visit www.SLAS2017.org or contact SLAS Global Headquarters at +1.877.990.SLAS (5727) or e-mail slas@slas.org.

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