

## IPEC Foundation Awards Presented in San Diego, CA (see photos!)



The IPEC-Americas Foundation presented nine awards at a special dinner ceremony during the IPEC Foundation Awards Dinner in San Diego. The dinner took place at Roy's San Diego Waterfront Restaurant on Sunday, November 12.



Graduate student winners from left to right: Tze Ning Hiew, Janki Andhariya, Shreya Kulkarni, (Diane Burgess, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of Pharmaceutics, University of Connecticut), Sampada Koranne and Carolina del Pilar Mora Guerrero

The IPEC Foundation's mission is to promote research and education related to excipients, (i.e. inactive pharmaceutical ingredients). It also educates the public and other professionals about the importance of excipients in drug formulations and to help ensure that pharmaceutical companies have the excipients needed to create safe and effective medicines. In order to encourage this purpose, the Foundation is proud to award scholarships and financial grants to support development in excipient related research for pharmaceutical and biotechnology products.

These awards honor individuals for studying, instructing, or conducting research related to improving excipients.

### Graduate Student Winners:

- **Ms. Janki Andhariya, University of Connecticut**
- **Ms. Carolina del Pilar Mora Guerrero, Purdue University, Indiana**
- **Ms. Sampada Koranne, University of Minnesota**
- **Ms. Shreya S. Kulkarni, University of Connecticut**
- **Ms. Tze Ning Hiew, National University of Singapore**

Below are the 2017 Shangraw Memorial Award, Louis Blecher Memorial Award, Emerging Researcher, Industry Award recipients, and Best Manuscript (The Journal of Food Excipients and Chemicals), several of whom are pictured with R. Christian Moreton, Chairman of the IPEC Foundation.



**Dale Eric Wurster, Ph.D.,** (*left*) Professor, University of Iowa College of Pharmacy

**RALPH SHANGRAW MEMORIAL AWARD**  
*For outstanding research in the study of excipients or excipient-related technology.*



**Dr. Stuart C. Porter,** (*middle*) Director & Senior Research Fellow, Ashland Specialty Ingredients, Wilmington, DE.

**LOUIS BLECHER MEMORIAL OUTSTANDING LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**  
*For those individuals who, during their lifetime, have made substantial intellectual contributions to the field of excipients.*



**Jie Shen, Ph.D.,** (*3<sup>rd</sup> from left*) Assistant Professor, Departments of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences & Chemical Engineering, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI, and Tony Qi Zhou, second year winner (*left*).

**EMERGING RESEARCHER AWARD**  
*For beginning career scientist post Ph.D. (postdoctoral fellows, research assistant professors and early stage assistant professors (1 -2 years following initial appointment as research assistant or assistant professor).*



**Dieter Lubda, Ph.D.,** Director Actives and Formulation R&D Operations, Merck KGaA - Process Solutions. Darmstadt, Germany

**INDUSTRY RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENT IN EXCIPIENT TECHNOLOGY AWARD**  
*Recognizes individuals in industry for their outstanding achievements and contributions in excipient research and innovation.*



The Journal of Food Excipients and Chemicals 2017  
Best Manuscript Award winners:

**Darshan R. Telang a, Arun T. Patil a, Anil M. Pethe b,  
Amol A. Tatode a, Sridhar Anand (left) c, Vivek S.  
Dave c\* (right) shown with Foundation Chair, R.  
Christian Moreton, Ph.D., (center).**

*“Kaempferol-phospholipid complex: formulation, and  
evaluation of improved solubility, in vivo bioavailability,  
and antioxidant potential of kaempferol.” Vol. 7 (4) 2016  
pp. 89-116*