

## ESB Newsletter - 29 May, 2024 - 2024 ESB International Award | WBC 2024

Dear members of the European Society for Biomaterials,

We hope those of you attending the 12th World Biomaterials Congress are having an enriching experience. Our premier global scientific meeting provides an excellent platform to delve into the latest cutting-edge research in biomaterials science, fostering collaborations and cross-pollination of ideas and discoveries. As you immerse yourselves in the stimulating scientific discourse, we trust that you are relishing the warm hospitality and generosity extended by our gracious hosts, the Korean Society for Biomaterials. Korea's vibrant culture and rich heritage, combined with the impeccable organisation of the Congress, have made this an unforgettable experience.

Moreover, I am delighted to inform you that the ESB Independent Awards Committee has selected the ESB International Award 2024 winner. I want to thank Professor Elizabeth Tanner, Professor Miroslawa El Fray, Prof Peter Dubruel and Professor Marc Bohner, the members of the 2024 Awards Committee, for taking upon them this difficult task. I would also like to thank our members, for their nominations, which are a testimony of the involvement of our community with our society and your appreciation of the work of our colleagues.

The winner of the 2024 International Award is <u>Professor Jason Burdick</u> from the University of Colorado Boulder (USA). The International award was established as a recognition of scientists who have generally spent their career outside Europe, who have been internationally recognised, have a high scientific profile, and have made major contributions to the field of biomaterials.

Congratulations to Jason on this great achievement! The 2024 International awardee will deliver his plenary lecture during the 12th World Biomaterials Congress, which will take place between the 26th and 31st of May 2024 in Daegu, Korea (<a href="https://wbc2024.com/index.php">https://wbc2024.com/index.php</a>). For ESB members attending WBC 2024, the ESB International Award 2024 Symposium will take place on the 30th of May from 16:30 h - 18:00 h during session S12-7 (SP-T11-0348). Please do not miss the opportunity to hear his plenary lecture. For more information about the many ESB Award opportunities, please visit our Society website (<a href="https://esbiomaterials.eu">https://esbiomaterials.eu</a>).

## Kind regards,



Nicholas Dunne, President
(on behalf of the ESB Council)