

News

:: World Technology Awards

Allan Thomson Wins Praise Of World Technology Awards July 23rd 2002

(New York, London, 23rd July 2002) - The work of Wavegen was last night praised at the World Technology Awards ceremony as its Chairman, Allan Thomson, was named as a finalist of the 2002 World Technology Award for Energy (individual/corporate).

Announced at a gala event at New York's historic Hudson Theater on Broadway, finalists were identified through an exhaustive six month long selection and voting process in which 100 eminent authorities from across twenty technology related fields drew up their list of potential nominees for consideration by the World Technology Network's current membership of 430 leading technologists eligible to cast their votes.

James Clark, Chairman and Founder of the World Technology Network, commented:

"To be selected as a finalist of a World Technology Award, is to be recognised by your peers as being amongst the very few leading innovators in your field whose work is having a genuine and substantial impact on the world in which we live. The World Technology Network applauds and wishes to recognise the work that you are doing and is delighted to welcome you into the World Technology Network family."

The specific area of work for which Wavegen received the acclaim of the World Technology Network membership was for Energy.

Now in its fourth year, the role of the World Technology Network is to bring together the leading individuals and corporations from 20 technology related disciplines so that thoughts and knowledge can be openly shared, new avenues explored, and new relationships developed.

Specific technology related disciplines linked together under the World Technology Network umbrella are: arts, biotech, communication technology, design, education, energy, environment, entertainment, ethics, finance, health, IT hardware, IT software, law, marketing communications, materials, media & journalism, policy, social entrepreneurship, and space.

Nominators for this year's World Technology Awards programme, across the various categories, included Dan Goldin, former longest-serving Administrator of NASA, USA; Robert Ayres, Director, Centre for the Management of Environmental Resources, INSEAD France; Masanobu Katoh, General Manager/Director Fujitsu Ltd., USA; Abdul Waheed Khan, Assistant Director-General for Communication & Information United Nations Educational Scientific & Cultural Organization (UNESCO), India and Professor Young Kuk, Chairman, National R & D Planning Committee for Nanotechnology, Seoul National University, Korea.

As a finalist of the World Technology Awards, Wavegen receives automatic admission into the World Technology Network and full access to the World Technology Network's resources.

The 2002 World Technology Awards were held in association with Nasdaq, Intel, Cisco Systems, Novartis, Time, Red Herring, Science and International Herald Tribune and marked the final event at this year's two-day World Technology Summit which took place at the Millennium Conference Center (Millennium Broadway Hotel) and the United Nations headquarters.

For further information about the World Technology Network and the World Technology Summit and World Technology Awards, please visit the World Technology Network's website, www.wtn.net.

- ENDS -

About World Technology Network

The World Technology Network was created to "encourage serendipity" - happy accidents - amongst those individuals and companies deemed by their peers to be the most innovative in the technology world. WTN's areas of interest range from IT and communications to biotech, energy, materials, space, as well as related fields such as finance, marketing, policy, law, design, and ethics. Each year, WTN members are brought together through an ongoing global series of Roundtable

Dinners, Chapter Meetings and other events. WTN also publishes "World Technology Intelligence", a bi-monthly journal about what is imminent, possible, and important in the technology world, written largely by its own members - the people driving the most significant innovations. Central events in the WTN calendar include the annual World Technology Summit and World Technology Awards - the culmination of a global judging programme through which new members are nominated and selected and by which the network grows and is refreshed.

For more information, please contact:

Pamela Shabi/Toby Hall +44 207 467 0607

(GTH Media Relations)

James Clark +44 207 349 0826

(WTN)

World Technology Awards ..

Under strict embargo: not for release before 00.01hrs EST July 23rd 2002