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Four researchers awarded S'pore's highest accolade in Science & Technology

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The winners received their awards from President Halimah Yacob during a ceremony at the Istana on 13 November 2017.



Singapore – Four individuals have been awarded this year's President's Science and Technology Awards (PSTA), the highest honours conferred upon research scientists and engineers in Singapore whose work have resulted in significant scientific, technological or economic benefits for the country.

The PSTA comprises the President's Science and Technology Medal (PSTM), President's Science Award (PSA), and President's Technology Award (PTA). The winners received their awards from President Halimah Yacob during a ceremony at the Istana on 13 November 2017.

Two eminent individuals were chosen as this year's PSTM winners by a distinguished panel of representatives from industry, academia and research. The winners are **Professor Edward Warren Holmes**, Department of Medicine, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore (NUS); Senior Fellow, A*STAR; and Advisor, National Research Foundation (NRF), and **Professor Sir David Philip Lane**, Chief Scientist of A*STAR.

This year's PSA was awarded to **Professor Gan Wee Teck**, Distinguished Professor at the Department of Mathematics under NUS Faculty of Science, and the PTA was awarded to **Professor Ng Wun Jern** from the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore).

Three outstanding young individuals were also recognised with the Young Scientist Award (YSA) for their achievements in research and innovation. They are: **Dr Li Jingmei**, Senior Research Scientist at the Genome Institute of Singapore, A*STAR; **Dr Gao Weibo**, Assistant Professor, from the School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences, NTU Singapore; and **Dr Justin C.W. Song**, Scientist at the Institute of High Performance Computing, A*STAR. They received their awards from Mr Heng Swee Keat, Minister for Finance, at the Istana.