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ANNOUNCEMENT

OLE HINDSGAUL NAMED *WHISTLER AWARD* WINNER



Ole Hindsgaul of the Department of Organic Chemistry, University of Alberta, Canada, is the recipient of the *Roy L. Whistler Award in Carbohydrate Chemistry*. He is being recognized for major contributions to the newly designated field of glycobiology. The award will be presented at the *XLIXth International Carbohydrate Symposium* to be held from August 9 to 14, 1998 in San Diego, U.S.A.

Dr. Hindsgaul's research covers an exciting blend of multidisciplinary components that have been boldly selected from substantial problems of contemporary interest. These include the chemo-enzymic synthesis of complex oligosaccharides, the design of inhibitors for glycosyltransferases, and ultra sensitive methods of detection of complex saccharide epitopes, stereo-controlled β -mannopyranoside synthesis, and the application of a random oligosaccharide library approach to the discovery of saccharide ligands.

The *Whistler Award* was established by the *International Carbohydrate Organization* to honour Roy L. Whistler, Professor Emeritus, Purdue University, U.S.A. to recognize carbohydrate researchers who have made contributions of excellence with promise of continuing significant contributions. It carries a \$10,000 cash prize and is made biannually at the *International Carbohydrate Symposium*.

The *International Carbohydrate Organization (ICO)* is composed of national representatives of 27 countries in which there is substantial carbohydrate research. The *ICO* is an associated organization of the *International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry* and an interest group of the *International Union of Biochemistry*.

Previous recipients of the *Whistler Award* have been Drs. T. Ogawa (Japan, 1984), K. Bock (Denmark, 1986), D. Bundle (Canada, 1988), J. Kamerling (The Netherlands, 1990), A. Vasella (Switzerland, 1992), C.-H. Wong (U.S.A., 1994), and C. van Boekel (The Netherlands, 1996) jointly with M. Petitou (France, 1996).