



2003 California Recipients of Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence Announced

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THOUSAND OAKS, Calif., May 5, 2003 - Amgen (NASDAQ:AMGN) the world's largest biotechnology company, has announced the five science teachers in California who are this year's recipients of the Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence. The Amgen awards honor public or private school science teachers, grades K-12, who demonstrate outstanding science teaching and have a great impact on the lives of their students. Each teacher will receive an unrestricted \$10,000 award at a dinner event in May. For more information on the award please call the teachers below or the Amgen contact. The 2003 winners are:

- Jill Baumgartel, of Woodside High School, in Woodside:

(650) 367-9750

- Deborah Gangi-Hall, of Don Benito Fundamental School, in Pasadena:

(626) 351-8892

- Patricia McLoughlin, of Dos Caminos Elementary School, in Camarillo:

(805) 482-9894

- Randall Schurr, of Kucera Middle School, in Rialto:

(909) 421-7662

- Gregory Zem, of Lawrence Middle School, in Chatsworth:

(818) 882-1214

Nominations are made by submitting a form and/or letter to Amgen describing why the teacher should be recognized for science teaching expertise. Nomination forms were published in newspapers, posted on Amgen's web site, and press releases were widely distributed.

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A panel of three independent judges selected the winners. Judges based their decisions on evidence of the recipients' creativity and effectiveness in the classroom; their application and development of best practices in science education; their motivational ability; and their mastery of the subject matter and instructional skill.

In addition to the California program, the Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence is granted in Colorado, Kentucky, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, and Washington, locations where Amgen has facilities. Amgen has conducted the awards program for teaching excellence for 12 years. This is the second year the awards have focused solely on science teaching and considered statewide applicants.

Amgen is a global biotechnology company that discovers, develops, manufactures and markets important human therapeutics based on advances in cellular and molecular biology.

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