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Paul G. Falkowski wins EGU Vladimir Ivanovich Vernadsky Medal 2005



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The American scientist Paul G. Falkowski has won the prestigious EGU Vladimir Ivanovich Vernadsky Medal 2005 for his outstanding achievements in understanding the photosynthetic processes and evolution of marine phytoplankton, and the role of the ocean in global biogeochemical cycles.

This medal has been established by the EGU Division on Biogeosciences in recognition of the scientific achievement of Vladimir Ivanovich Vernadsky. It is reserved for scientists for their exceptional contributions to biogeosciences in general.

Professor Paul Falkowski's pioneer and truly multi-disciplinary work created a new generation of ideas on the role of the marine biosphere in the global biogeochemical cycling and climate. This work helped us to understand the complex relationships which regulate the dynamics of the Earth System.

Professor Falkowski will accept his medal and give his acceptance lecture during the EGU General Assembly, to be held in Vienna, Austria from 24 – 29 april. The lecture starts at 19.00 h, on the 26th of April.

Paul Falkowski is a Professor at the Institute of Marine and Coastal Sciences and at the Departement of geology, Rutgers University, USA.

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