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L'Oréal R&I presents the first vascularized reconstructed skin model during the International Cosmetic Scientific Congress (IFSCC) and wins Applied Research award

Clichy, 2 November 2020 – At the occasion of the 31st International Federation of Societies of Cosmetic Chemists (IFSCC) Congress 2020, L'Oréal R&I unveiled its latest advances in skin and hair research. Among the 441 projects selected by the Japanese jury, L'Oréal R&I was present of half of the program defined by the scientific committee, with 7 podiums and 34 posters. L'Oréal researchers, coming from 8 countries (France, Japan, Brazil, United States, Singapore, India, South Africa and China) were able to highlight the excellence of their work and the diversity of their expertise.

This year, the IFSCC award for Applied Research was attributed to Sacha Salameh for her presentation on a new vascularized reconstructed skin model. After 40 years of research on skin engineering, L'Oréal R&I reaches a new milestone in the development of skin model that better mimics real human skin and confirms its leadership for the development of alternative methods. This new research tool will allow researchers to better understand the skin, and in particular its interactions with the interior of the body via the bloodstream.

"This multidisciplinary project could only be possible thanks to the collaboration of experts with different backgrounds such as microfluidics and skin engineering, coming from France and Japan" comments **Dr. Sacha Salameh**, L'Oréal Advanced Research – Aulnay, France.

<u>A perfusable vascularized full thickness skin model for topical and systemic applications</u> Sacha Salameh, Nicolas Tissot, Kevin Cache, Itaru Suzuki, Paulo André Marinho, Maité Rielland, Julien Demaude, Jérémie Soeur, Shoji Takeuchi, Stéphane Germain, Lionel Breton.

"This award recognizes years of work to develop new models of reconstructed skin, one of the areas of skin engineering in which our efforts have been recognized for decades" says **Gilles Spenlehauer**, L'Oréal Advanced Research Director – Aulnay, France.

To complete this award, among the 372 posters presented, the jury has selected the 10 best scientific presentations. Two L'Oréal R&I posters are ranked in the top ten:

- <u>Metabolomics, the cornerstone between microbiome and skin functions to understand Pollution mediated Effects</u> Namita Misra, Philippe Bastien, Florent Guinot, Nasrine Bourokba, Stephanie Nouveau, Janice Yeo, Lionel Breton, Marcus H. Y. Leung, Patrick K. H. Lee, Cécile Clavaud, Nükhet Cavusoglu.
- <u>Real-Life Face-Video System: Capturing and Analyzing Complex Color and Shine Effects</u>
 M. Doumi, Nilesh Shah, Margarita Yatskayer.

About IFSCC

Founded 64 years ago, the IFSCC is an international association of approximately 16,000 members representing 49 companies in 79 countries and regions. It is the world's largest academic association dedicated to cosmetic science and technology. Since the first IFSCC Congress is 1960, cosmetic researchers gather from all over the world to present and discuss the results of their latest research. This year, for the first time, the 31st IFSCC Congress, originally scheduled in Yokohama, Japan, was held online as a virtual event.

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