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'Heroes of Chemistry' recognized for contributions to health and energy

May 7, 2018 — Scientists who developed products that have led to significant advancements in human health and solar energy will be inducted into a scientific "hall of fame" later this summer, becoming the newest Heroes of Chemistry. The American Chemical Society (ACS), the world's largest scientific society, has bestowed this honor annually since 1996.

"The 2018 ACS Heroes of Chemistry program honors scientists from AstraZeneca, DuPont, Pfizer and Seattle Genetics whose work provides breakthrough solutions and preventative measures for many of society's challenges," says Peter Dorhout, Ph.D., ACS president.

The Heroes of Chemistry program recognizes scientists whose innovative work in chemistry and chemical engineering led to commercial products that benefit the world. The teams will be recognized in a ceremony on Sunday, Aug. 19, during the Society's 256th National Meeting & Exposition in Boston, Massachusetts.

The following scientific teams will be honored:

- **AstraZeneca:** TAGRISSO™ (osimertinib) is a novel, targeted treatment for patients with EGFR-mutated non-small cell lung cancer. Osimertinib is approved in more than 75 countries.
- **DuPont:** Solamet® PV17x is the metallization paste that pioneered the use of lead tellurite chemistry, a game changer in the solar energy industry.
- **Pfizer:** Inlyta® (axitinib) is a standard of care for the treatment of advanced renal cell carcinoma after failure of one prior systemic therapy.
- **Seattle Genetics:** ADCETRIS® (brentuximab vedotin) uses the company's industry-leading antibody-drug conjugate (ADC) technology and is currently approved for the treatment of multiple CD30-expressing lymphomas.

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