



## News Release from the IULTCS

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### **2015 IULTCS Merit Award Winner Announced**

The Executive Committee of the IULTCS takes great pleasure in announcing the 2015 winner of the ***"IULTCS Merit Award for Excellence in the Leather Industry"***. The winner of this prestigious award is the world renowned leather scientist **Professor Bi Shi**. Dr. Shi completed his studies on leather and Chemistry at Sichuan University and Sheffield University and spent a year as visiting scholar at Nene College in the UK. Today, he is Director of the National Engineering Laboratory for Clean Technology of Leather Manufacture of Sichuan University, in Chengdu, China and also serves as an Academician of the Chinese Academy of Engineering.

At last count, Dr. Shi had authored or co-authored 427 papers, 5 books, and his research group has 35 patents. His contributions to the leather industry extend beyond academics. He is active in leather organizations, a Past President of the IULTCS, a well-known contributor at international technical meetings and Congresses and a sought after key-note speaker.

The current IULTCS President, Dr. Patricia Casey from Argentina said: *"I hope that many in our global leather family will be able to attend the 33<sup>rd</sup> IULTCS Global Congress in Brazil in November where Dr. Bi Shi will be honored with the IULTCS Merit Award for Excellence. His career and ongoing contributions to our understanding of leather and how to make it with less environmental impact define excellence. Our global industry benefits significantly from the work done by Bi Shi and his colleagues at Sichuan University and they deserve our recognition."*



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