



# 2015 RESEARCHER *of the* YEAR

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## 2015 RESEARCHER OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENT

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**LTC Luis M. Alvarez, PhD**  
*Academy Professor &  
Director, Center for  
Molecular Science*

United States Military  
Academy at West Point  
6 Years of Partnership  
with Geneva

Dr. Luis Alvarez is the  
founding Principal Investigator  
of the Regenerative Biology

Research Group at the U.S. National Cancer Institute. He also serves as an Academy Professor and Director of the Center for Molecular Science in the Department of Chemistry and Life Science at the United States Military Academy at West Point. Previously, Dr. Alvarez led the DoD's \$720M Bioscavenger pharmaceutical development program and co-founded the DoD's Tissue Injury and Regenerative Medicine program office at Fort Detrick, Maryland. He has also served as a Visiting Scientist for

both the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was a Hertz Foundation Fellow during his time at MIT. Geneva has been a proud partner of Dr. Alvarez for over six years through support of his research in developing biologics and cell therapies in the area of regenerative medicine. His research interests are motivated by his previous combat experiences and a desire to develop new regenerative medical therapies for injured service members. "The Geneva Foundation is honored to present Dr. Alvarez with the 2015 Researcher of the Year award in honor of his dedication to innovative research efforts addressing some of the most critical concerns facing wounded service members today. Dr. Alvarez's commitment to exemplary research in regenerative medicine is evident in the quality and impact of his work, from pioneering groundbreaking technologies addressing traumatic wound injuries to his leadership and collaborative roles within the research community." said Elise Huszar, President of The Geneva Foundation.

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## 2015 RESEARCHER OF THE YEAR AWARD FINALISTS

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**Andriy I. Batchinsky, MD**

*Research Scientist, Multiorgan Support and Organ  
Preservation Task Area*

U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research,  
Battlefield Health and Trauma Research Institute  
3 Years of Partnership with Geneva

**Marti Jett, PhD, SES-ST**

*Chief Scientist, Systems Biology Enterprise*

U.S. Army Medical Command,  
U.S. Army Center for Environmental Health Research  
7 Years of Partnership with Geneva