

BioGaia research wins first prize at LAB Symposium

The prestigious International Symposium on Lactic Acid Bacteria was held between 23–25 August and gathered more than 300 participants. Together with researchers from the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), BioGaia presented one of the more than 170 scientific posters at the symposium. This collaborative project was awarded first prize for “Outstanding Excellence in Lactic Acid Bacteria with an Industrial Relevance.” The award was presented by the Lactic Acid Bacteria Industrial Platform (LABIP).

LAB symposia are held every third year and characterised by the interplay between research and industry. While most content is pre-clinical, clinical trials are also presented. This year, the symposium was held online with more than 300 participants and over 170 scientific posters presented.

“We are very honoured to receive this award, especially when the theme of the symposium is exactly what BioGaia stands for – high-quality research into lactic acid bacteria with relevance for industrial applications and, ultimately, for consumers. The award is an appreciated recognition by the research community that BioGaia and its partners are carrying out really high-quality research,” says Stefan Roos, associate professor at SLU and head of research into new bacteria strains at BioGaia.

In addition to the honour, prize money of EUR 500 was shared by Ludwig Lundberg and Yanhong Pang as first authors of the poster “Multifunctional membrane vesicles produced by *L. reuteri* DSM 17938 and their potential link to relief of infantile colic.” Ludwig Lundberg is an industrial PhD student at BioGaia and SLU, and a good example of how BioGaia partners with academic researchers.

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