



ICON Awarded Clinical Research Team of the Year and Best in Health Economics and Outcomes Research

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ICON Wins Multiple Awards at the 2019 Clinical and Research Excellence Awards

DUBLIN--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 13, 2019-- **ICON plc, (NASDAQ: ICLR)** a global provider of drug and device development and commercialisation services to pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical device industries, today announced that it has been awarded the Clinical Research Team of the Year (with Eli Lilly and Company), for the second consecutive year, and Best in Health Economics and Outcomes Research (with Bristol-Myers Squibb and LATITUDE, powered by AXON). The awards were presented at the annual Clinical and Research Excellence (CARE) Awards, which took place in Boston, Mass. on 2 May 2019.

The awards indicated are ICON's third win for Clinical Research Team of the Year since the inaugural CARE Awards in 2016, and first win in the Best Health Economics and Outcomes Research category. These awards honoured the achievements of the teams and are a testament to the company's overall strength of partnership in the industry.

ICON and Eli Lilly and Company won the award for the successful execution of a full-service Cardiovascular Outcomes Trial (CVOT), in which they were able to achieve exceptional patient retention despite early challenges. The team's proactive management and flawless execution, resulted in the data disclosure of the first Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus medicine to demonstrate superiority in the reduction of major adverse cardiac events (MACE) in a clinical trial that included a majority of participants who did not have established cardiovascular (CV) disease.

The ICON team, together with Bristol-Myers Squibb and LATITUDE (powered by AXON), were able to execute a long-term oncological trial comparing treatment regimens with three different therapeutics, over five years, in multiple geographies. ICON demonstrated significant expertise through the application of a Real World Evidence approach, which met the needs of the sponsor, the clinician, the patient and the payer.

Commenting on the award, ICON's Chief Executive Officer, Steve Cutler, said: "We are delighted that our comprehensive approach to partnership as well as the expertise of our clinical research teams has received industry recognition. One of our key priorities is helping our clients expedite drug development to improve outcomes and this has been successfully achieved through the diligence and work ethic of the joint partnership teams."

About ICON plc

ICON plc is a global provider of drug and device development and commercialisation services to pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical device and government and public health organisations. The company specialises in the strategic development, management and analysis of programs that support clinical development - from compound selection to Phase I-IV clinical studies. With headquarters in Dublin, Ireland, ICON employed approximately 13,920 employees in 90 locations in 37 countries as at March 31, 2019.

Further information is available at www.iconplc.com.

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