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**Donaldson Company Innovators Recognized  
at Annual Patent Recipient and Inventor Awards Event**

MINNEAPOLIS (May 26, 2022)—Donaldson Company, Inc. (NYSE:DCI), a leading worldwide manufacturer of innovative filtration products and solutions, announced the company’s 2021 patent recipients and Inventor Award winners, recognizing employees’ contributions in helping Donaldson maintain its leadership in the filtration industry.

The Emerging Innovator Award recognizes an individual who has created and implemented significant process technology and product improvements for manufacturing operations. This year’s winner is Kyle Sontag, principal engineer, Advanced Research and Development.

The Frank A. Donaldson Award, named after Donaldson’s founder, is presented to an individual for outstanding, long-term engineering achievements. This year’s winner is Derek Jones, principal engineer, Media Technology.

The Richard M. Negri Manufacturing Excellence Award, named for a past vice president of operations whose many contributions greatly advanced Donaldson’s global operations, goes to an individual who has created and implemented significant process technology and product improvements for manufacturing operations. This year’s winner is Jaromír Škapa, manufacturing project manager, European Manufacturing Technologies.

The Technology Achievement Award recognizes a material, product, process or method that has made an extraordinary contribution to Donaldson’s long-term success. This year’s award winner is the Fuel-Water Separation technology, which is due to the collective efforts of 12 employees across several teams: Scott Betcher, Andrew Dallas, Brad Hauser, Paul Hennen, Derek Jones, Vijay Kapoor, Davis Moravec, Aflal Rahmathullah, Ken Skaja, Kyle Sontag, Gwen Stouthuysen and Brian Tucker.

“Our global engineering, technology and operations teams develop the innovative solutions and sophisticated technologies that help Donaldson fulfill our purpose of Advancing Filtration for a Cleaner World,” said Michael Wynblatt, Donaldson vice president and chief technology officer. “In 2021, nearly 400 patents were issued to Donaldson. Our patent holders and inventor awardees are vital to our continued leadership in filtration. This event provides us with the opportunity to recognize their significant achievements and contributions.”

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**About Donaldson Company, Inc.**

Founded in 1915, Donaldson (NYSE: DCI) is a global leader in technology-led filtration products and solutions, serving a broad range of industries and advanced markets. Diverse, skilled employees at over 140 locations on six continents partner with customers—from small business owners to the world’s biggest OEM brands—to solve complex filtration challenges. Discover how Donaldson is Advancing Filtration for a Cleaner World at [www.Donaldson.com](http://www.Donaldson.com).

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