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**Sir Professor Alimuddin Zumla awarded
the prestigious UNION MEDAL**

Sir Professor Alimuddin ZUMLA has been awarded the prestigious UNION MEDAL, at the 49th World Conference on Lung Health, The Hague, The Netherlands on 26th October 2018, where 4,000 people from 125 countries participated.



The UNION MEDAL is the ‘highest honour’ accorded by The International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (The Union) to individuals “who have made outstanding contributions to the control of TUBERCULOSIS and LUNG DISEASES by their scientific work and actions in the field”.

Sir Alimuddin’s medal ‘acceptance speech’ video can be viewed at:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QpTZocuQ0P6QbFrNHe0Pl6orJOSVqjRa/view?usp=sharing>

On behalf of our UCL-CCM, UCL-TB, PANDORA-ID-NET, HerpeZ, UCL-TB, CANTAM2-EDCTP teams and collaborators from across all continents, I would like to extend our heartiest congratulations to ‘**Sir Ali**’ for this richly deserved accolade! As a global leader in the field of killer infectious diseases, the Union Medal reflects Sir Ali’s exceptional world class research, capacity development, training, advocacy and charitable contributions. Over 30 years he has brought together scientists, politicians, advocates, civil society groups to unite together in the fight against killer infectious diseases, particularly Respiratory tract infections with epidemic potential which threaten global health security. Numerous younger generation and senior scientists and healthcare workers in Europe and developing countries owe a deep debt of gratitude to Sir Zumla for his mentorship, guidance and support.

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