

NIEHS celebrates years of service with 2014 honorees

By Ian Thomas

Scientists and staff from across NIEHS gathered Sept. 8 in Rodbell Auditorium for the institute's annual Years of Service Awards ceremony. Hosted by NIEHS and National Toxicology Program Director Linda Birnbaum, Ph.D., the event recognized 64 institute employees, commemorating career milestones of 10, 20, 30, and 40 years, as well as 14 retirees.

"As federal employees, we work directly for the American people," said Birnbaum. "Here at NIEHS, that means maintaining a strong commitment to funding and supporting powerful research into the causes of disease. This requires a lot of hard work and dedication. But, beyond the hours, it also requires a very unique type of person to choose this as a career."

Assisted by NIEHS Deputy Director Richard Woychik, Ph.D., Birnbaum presented each honoree with a framed certificate celebrating his or her milestone, along with a congratulatory handshake of appreciation.

At the ceremony's conclusion, awardees were joined by colleagues, peers, and NIEHS leadership for a reception in the building 101 lobby.

Employees and their milestones

10 Years		
Helen Cunny	Paul Dunlap	Stephanie Hicks
Brigitte Horton	Hui Hu	Helena Kennedy
Angela King-Herbert	Kelly Lenox	Joe Lyerly
Leslie Lynch	Kindra Morrison	Nicholas Plummer
David Resnik	Andrew Rooney	Mark Rubino
Shepherd Schurman	Maria Sifre	Thomas Sliwa
Jennifer Smith	Kristina Thayer	Huanchen Wang
Myra Westmoreland	Vernee Wilson	Michael Wyde

20 Years		
Warren Casey	Michele Cisco-Horton	William Copeland
Michael DeVito	Robin Mackar	Lee Ann McCray
RoseAnne McGee	Brian Moyer	Terrance O'Hanlon
Donna Sullivan	Vickie Walker	Kathryn Woods

30 Years		
Donna Baird	Gordon Caviness	Bradley Collins
Glenda Corniffe	Rita Jones	Robert London
William Long	James Remington	Diane Spencer
Joan Sterling		



Hunt, right, safety officer and deputy branch chief of the NIEHS Health and Safety Branch, accepts his award from Birnbaum. (Photo courtesy of Steve McCaw)



Jones, right, is an administration specialist in the NIEHS Laboratory of Neurobiology. (Photo courtesy of Steve McCaw)



Copeland, right, is lead researcher and chief of the NIEHS Laboratory of Molecular Genetics. (Photo courtesy of Steve McCaw)



Lenox, right, is editor in chief of the Environmental Factor. (Photo courtesy of Steve McCaw)

40 Years

Deloris Anderson	June Dunnick
Thomas Hardee	Christopher Hunt

Retirees

Beth Anderson	Lutz Birnbaumer	Dorothy Duke
Donald Ellis	Carolyn Flowers	Patricia Johnson
Larry Judd	Theodore Outwater	John Petranka
Richard Sloane	Sharon Soward	Christina Teng
Hugh Tilson	Michael Waalkes	

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