



The A.G. Huntsman Foundation is pleased to announce that the 2023 A.G. Huntsman Medal will be awarded to Dr. Michael Follows in recognition of his contributions to understanding controls on the structure and function of phytoplankton communities, as well as their connection to ocean carbon and nutrient cycles. Through the development of novel tools and approaches, Dr. Follows has linked ecological theory, computer simulations and ocean observations.

With a background in physics and atmospheric sciences, Dr. Follows brings a unique perspective to the field of biological oceanography. Following his

PhD work at the University of East Anglia, he worked at the Max-Planck Institute in Mainz, Germany before moving to the Department of Earth, Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. From his initial position as a post-doctoral researcher, Dr. Follows eventually became a full Professor in the department and was recently appointed as the MIT Director of the MIT/Woods Hole Institute of Oceanography Joint Program. Across his career, Dr. Follows has mentored a large number of young scientists and led international programs leaving a lasting mark on the marine sciences.

The A.G. Huntsman Award was established by the Bedford Institute of Oceanography in 1980 to recognize excellence of research in, and outstanding contribution to, the marine sciences. The award honours those persons, of any nationality, who have had, and continue to have, a significant influence on the course of marine scientific thought. The award was created to honour the memory of Archibald Gowanlock Huntsman (1883–1972), pioneer Canadian oceanographer and fishery biologist.

Save the Date: The 2023 award ceremony will be held at Government House in Halifax, Nova Scotia on November 2nd at 2:00 pm, with a reception to follow. The A. G. Huntsman Distinguished Lecture will be presented at the Bedford Institute of Oceanography on November 3rd at 10:00 am, with the option to participate remotely ([2023 AG Huntsman Distinguished Lecture](#)).

RSVP and reserve your free tickets for the award ceremony at: [2023 AG Huntsman Award](#)

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