

International Award for Ian Frazer



Cervical cancer vaccine co-creator, Professor Ian Frazer (right), has won an international award whose earlier recipients include Mother Teresa and Pope John XXIII.

Ian, the Director of UQ's Diamantina Institute for Cancer, Immunology and Metabolic Medicine and 2006 Australian of the Year, has won the Balzan Prize for Preventive Medicine, which was announced in Milan on September 8.

It is one of up to four Balzan awards presented each year to people or organisations making outstanding contributions in the fields of humanities, natural sciences, culture, and peace efforts.

The prize stipulates that each winner dedicate half of the prize money to projects conducted by young researchers.