

Almirall receives the Fundamed-EI Global award for *Best Pharmaceutical Company of the Year*

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Madrid, 17 April 2007.- Almirall was presented with the award for Best *Pharmaceutical Company of the Year* at the sixth Fundamed-EI Global Awards ceremony. The award recognises the company's efforts to improve and modernise, its excellent business activity and its commitment to research, society and its employees.

The Fundamed Awards jury chooses the winning company directly, without pre-candidates, from all pharmaceutical, biotechnological and health technology companies operating in Spain. Fernando Puig de la Bellacasa, Assistant Secretary General for Health and Consumer Affairs, presented the award to Luciano Conde, Chief Operating Officer of Almirall.

The sixth edition of the awards saw fifty candidates in twelve different categories competing for recognition by the sector. As a new feature the event included two special mentions for best practices in *Corporate Social Responsibility* and *All-time Medicine*. In this category, *Almax* (almagate), Almirall's proprietary R&D antacid, also won the award.

About Almirall

Almirall, a leading company committed to health, is a consolidated international pharmaceutical company that researches, develops and commercialises its own R&D and licensed drugs with the aim of improving people's health and quality of life.

The therapeutic areas on which Almirall focuses its research resources are related to the treatment of asthma, COPD, psoriasis, rheumatoid arthritis and multiple sclerosis.

Almirall is currently present in over 80 countries. The company has direct presence in Europe and Latin America via affiliates in France, Germany, Italy, Portugal, Belgium and Mexico.

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