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J.W. Weaver Paper of the Year Award

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C., USA, April 25, 2019— Çiğdem Akduman, Pamukkale University; E. Perrin Akçakoca Kumbassar, and Işık Özgüney, Ege University are the recipients of the J. William Weaver Paper of the Year Award for their paper “Development and Characterization of Naproxen-Loaded Poly(vinyl alcohol) Nanofibers Crosslinked with Polycarboxylic Acids,” published in *AATCC Journal of Research* in 2018.

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The Weaver Award

The AATCC Publications Committee presents the J. William Weaver Paper of the Year Award to the author or authors of the best peer reviewed paper published in the *AATCC Journal of Research* each year. In 1990, the award was named for J. William Weaver, who was chair of the AATCC editorial board at the time of his death. The award includes a framed certificate signed by the AATCC president and the Publications Committee chair. It is presented at AATCC's International Conference during the Awards Luncheon. For a list of past award

recipients, visit www.aatcc.org/abt/awards/weaver/j-william-weaver-paper-of-the-year-award-winners/.

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