



# FPA 2017 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

**Boca Raton, Florida, March 1, 2017** – The Flexible Packaging Association (FPA) has announced the winners of its 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Flexible Packaging Achievement Awards Competition. The winning entries were recognized at the FPA Welcome Dinner & Flexible Packaging Achievement Awards Ceremony held Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> in conjunction with the 2017 FPA Annual Meeting (March 1-3<sup>rd</sup>) at the Boca Raton Resort and Club, A Waldorf Astoria Resort, Boca Raton, FL.



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This year, 75 packages were submitted in the competition, for a total of 152 entries (some packages were entered into multiple categories). Nineteen packages were honored with 30 Achievement Awards in various categories.

The judges for this year's competition included Eric Fish, Editor in Chief, *Flexible Packaging Magazine*; Dr. Robert Kimmel, Sc.D., Associate Professor, Director, Center for Flexible Packaging (CEFPACK), Clemson University; and Dr. Michael Richmond, Vice President, Consulting Solutions, Packaging, HAVI.

"This is a year of more," according to Richmond, "there's more innovation, there's more sustainability, there's more non-food, there are more holistic solutions."

Sustainability continues to be a focus, with a number of entries reducing layers and downgrading thickness to reduce overall material volume. Several entries addressed how flexible packaging can help reduce food waste.

There was an increase in the number of entries relating to the healthcare industry that showcased innovation, both for reducing materials and using materials more efficiently. The entries recognized the need for sterility and customer convenience.

Several of the entries also highlighted the transition of products previously packaged in rigid containers to flexible packaging.

## FORMFOIL™ LITE SUTURE PACKAGE



**Awards:** Silver – Packaging Excellence, Silver – Sustainability

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**Description:** The FormFoil™ Lite Suture Package is a true breakthrough in cold-form foil technology. For the first time, a 0.001" aluminum foil structure is able to effectively replace the traditional 0.002" aluminum foil composite for the most demanding suture packages without sacrificing formability and performance. Coupled with Allegro®B peelable sealant, the end result is a material that maintains robust formability, reduces consumption of natural resources, provides significant reduction in costs, and enhances the user experience.