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Fourth win for ITV's Exposure Strand in five years

ITV's Exposure film In Cold Blood was last night awarded the International Emmy® for Current Affairs - the fourth Exposure film to take home the award in five years.

Produced by DSP for ITV Network, this feature-length documentary examined the biggest treatment disaster in NHS history. Directed by Grierson Award-winning and BAFTA-nominated documentary maker Marcus Plowright, this film told the story of how thousands of British haemophiliacs were infected and died from HIV and Hepatitis C after being prescribed infected blood products by the NHS. This landmark film offered viewers a vivid insight into the scale and impact of the

tragedy.

The win follows a run of success for the ITV Current Affairs strand, which includes International Emmy® Current Affairs Award wins for four Exposure films, in five years - Undercover: Inside China's Digital Gulag in 2020 (Hardcash productions) which investigating the plight of Uyghurs and other Muslims in China, White Right: Meeting The Enemy in 2018 (Fuuse Films) Deeyah Khan's examination of the resurgence of far-right extremism in the USA, and Saudia Arabia Uncovered in 2017 (Hardcash Productions) looking at the hidden reality inside one of the world's most secretive and strict Islamic regimes. Exposure's Banaz A Love Story (Fuuse Films), Deeyah Khan's film chronicling an act of overwhelming horror – the honour killing of Banaz Mahmod, was also awarded the International Emmy® Current Affairs Award in 2013.

Controller of Current Affairs, Tom Giles said:

"This is fantastic recognition for a beautifully-made film and for an important record of an underreported national scandal. It's also a real testament to the strength of filmmaking that ITV Exposure now attracts that it's the strand's fifth International Emmy - four of those won in the last five years."

Launched in 2011 by ITV's Director of News and Current Affairs Michael Jermey, the multi-award winning Exposure strand also includes The Other Side of Jimmy Savile (commissioned by Jermey), which was broadcast in October 2012, and won numerous awards across the board, including Scoop of the Year at The RTS Journalism Awards.

ITV's Exposure strand has also taken home the Current Affairs Award at the BAFTA TV Awards for the past two years running, with America's War on Abortion (Deeyah Khan and Fuuse Films) receiving the honour at this year's ceremony.

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