American Society for Nutrition Awards

Invitation for Nominations for 2009

The American Society for Nutrition annually recognizes individuals for their superior achievement in nutrition research and public service.

- Nominations may be made by anyone, including members of the respective nominating committees and nonmembers of the Society. Nominations for each award will be retained for two years. Candidates may be renominated.
- Candidates for awards need not be members of the Society. However, the awards are usually given to professionally active nutrition scientists.
- An individual who has received one ASN award is not eligible to receive another award unless it is for accomplishments not covered by the first award.
- Award juries, composed of ASN members, are appointed each year by the president. Their names are kept confidential. The juries select the award winners for that year. If a jury believes that no nominated candidate merits an award, no award will be given that year.
- An award is usually given to one person, but a jury may recommend that the award be given to two or more individuals who collaborated in recent research.
- A brief curriculum vitae for each nominee, including a list of the nominee’s publications in refereed journals, is required.
- No seconding letters will be accepted.
- All material for a nomination must be submitted in hard copy; one original and 5 copies of all material are required. Incomplete nominations will not be considered.
- The deadline for receipt of nominations is September 1, 2008 at the ASN Secretariat, Suite L-5100, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda MD 20814

Young Investigator Awards

Nominating Committee: Naima Moustaid, Chair
Susan Fried
Andrew Prentice
Holly Wyatt

The Peter J. Reeds Young Investigator Award

This award is given to a young ASN member for outstanding research in Macronutrient Metabolism accomplished within five years of receiving a PhD or completing residency training, in the case of a physician. The award will provide $1500, an engraved plaque, and travel funds to the Experimental Biology meeting. Nominations should include: a letter stating the significance of the work; the candidate’s curriculum vitae; copies of 4 manuscripts and abstracts supporting the nomination; and proof of ASN membership.

Recent recipients include: T.G. Anthony, B. Mittendorfer, B. Deplancke, X. Guan, J. Mark Brown, J. Escobar

The Mead Johnson Award

This award is given to an investigator for a single outstanding piece of nutrition research or a series of papers on the same subject accomplished within ten years of postgraduate training. The award of $2500 and an inscribed scroll is made available by Mead Johnson Nutritional. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the significance of the work; a selected bibliography that supports the nomination; a reprint or series of reprints reporting such research, and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: A. Buchman, D. Lee Alekel, M. Zimmermann, X. Lei, J. Zempleni, C. Mantzoros, S. W. Choi

The Bio Serv Award in Experimental Animal Nutrition

This award is given for meritorious research in nutrition accomplished by an investigator within ten years of postgraduate training. The work recognized must involve the nutrition of experimental animals used as models. The award of $1000 and an engraved plaque is made available by Bio-Serv, Inc. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a selected bibliography that supports the nomination; the reprint or series of reprints on which the nomination is based; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: R. Johnson, S. Hursting, K.A. Tappenden, C. Jolly, J. Bassaganya-Riera, L. Wykes

The Vernon Young International Award for Amino Acid Research

This award is given to an investigator for a single outstanding piece of research or for a series of papers in a related area of amino acid metabolism completed early in his or her career (usually interpreted as within ten years of postgraduate training). The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the Ajinomoto Co., Inc. Nominations should include a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a selected bibliography that supports the nomination; a reprint or series of reprints reporting such research and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: D. Paddon-Jones, M. Engelen, K. Short

The E.L.R. Stokstad Award

This award is given for outstanding fundamental research in nutrition, with preference to scientists at relatively early stages in their careers. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is
supported by an endowment from the family of E.L.R. Stokstad. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a reprint or series of reprints reporting the research; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: M. Beck, J. Beverly III, A. Diamond, S-D. Wang, K. Schalinske, S. Booth, M. Nakamura

The Norman Kretchmer Memorial Award in Nutrition and Development
This award is given to a young investigator who will be 45 years of age or younger at the time the award is presented for a substantial body of independent research in the field of nutrition and development with a potential relevance to improving child health. The award is sponsored by Abbott Laboratories, Ross Products Division. Nominations should include a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a brief summary of the candidate’s research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award; the candidate’s curriculum vitae.


NEW!! The Mary Swartz Rose Award
This award is given to an investigator within ten years of postgraduate training, for outstanding research on the safety and efficacy of bioactive compounds for human health. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is made available by The Council for Responsible Nutrition. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the significance of the work; a selected bibliography that supports the nomination; a reprint or series of reprints reporting such research, and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

2008 Recipient: M. Gamble

Senior Investigator Awards
Nominating Committee: Gilbert Leveille, Chair
Patsy Brannon
John Erdman
Barbara Underwood

The Osborne and Mendel Award
This award is given for outstanding recent basic research accomplishments in nutrition. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is made available by ILSI North America. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the significance of the work; a selected bibliography of all papers relating to the research on which the nomination is based; a reprint or series of reprints reporting this research; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.


The Centrum Center for Nutrition Science Award
This award is given for recent investigative contributions of contemporary significance to the understanding of human nutrition. The contributions need not be restricted to investigative work with humans as long as they have relevance to human nutrition and health. Preference is usually given to scientists in the western hemisphere. The award of $1500 and an engraved plaque is made available by Wyeth Consumer Healthcare. At least one member of the award committee and jury should have an interest in clinical nutrition. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the significance of the work; a selected bibliography that supports the nomination; a reprint or series of reprints reporting such research; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: I. Jialal, S.J. James, L.B. Bailey, J.O. Hill, M. Levine, J. Ordovas, B. Rolls

The E.V. McCollum Award
This award is given to a clinical investigator who is perceived as a major creative force, actively generating new concepts in nutrition and personally seeing to the execution of studies testing the validity of these concepts. A cash award and inscribed plaque are provided by Wyeth Nutrition. Nominations should include a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a brief summary of the candidate’s research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: B. C. Hansen, R.P. Heaney, E. S. Nair, J. Wahren, V. Stallings, J.O. Hill, D. Ludwig

Robert H. Herman Memorial Award
This award is given each year to a clinical investigator whose research work has contributed importantly to the advancement of clinical nutrition, particularly the biochemical and metabolic aspects of human nutrition. The winner will receive a cash award and inscribed plaque. Nominations should include a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a brief summary of the candidate’s research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: R. Martorell, N. Scrimshaw, R. Uauy-Dagach, R. Black, M. Wahlqvist, J-P. Habicht, B. Popkin

The David Kritchevsky Career Achievement Award in Nutrition
This award is presented in recognition of a career devoted to promoting interaction among, support for and assistance of outstanding nutrition researchers in governmental, private and academic sectors resulting in the application of fundamental knowledge to delivery of better nutrition products and information to the public. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is made available by Kraft Foods. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the significance of the candidate’s work; a selected bibliography that supports the nomination; a reprint or series of reprints reporting such research; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: D. Kritchevsky, J. Milner, R. Russell
The Kellogg Prize for International Nutrition
This award is given to a member of the International Nutrition Council, actively engaged in research to benefit populations in non-industrialized countries, as demonstrated through publications in the scientific literature and actively engaged in training new scientists for international nutrition research. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is made available by Kellogg Company. Nominations should include a letter stating the significance of the candidate’s work as it relates to the award; a selected bibliography citing the candidate’s research on which the nomination is based; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: N. Scrimshaw, R. Martorell, C. West, K. Dewey, R. Uauy, K. West, Jr., J. Beard

NEW!! The McCormick Science Institute Research Award
This award is given to an investigator conducting clinical, translational, in vitro and/or ex vivo research, whose scientific contributions have advanced the understanding of the potential health benefits of culinary herbs and spices. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is endowed by the McCormick Science Institute. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the significance of the work; a selected bibliography that supports the nomination; a reprint or series of reprints reporting such research, and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

2008 Recipient: B. Aggarwal

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2008 Recipient: B. Aggarwal

Public Policy/Public Information Awards
Nominating committee: Patrick Stover, Chair
Chris Economos
Benjamin Caballero
Roger Clemens
M.R.C. Greenwood

Conrad A. Elvehjem Award for Public Service in Nutrition
This award is given for specific and distinguished service to the public through the science of nutrition. Such service could be rendered through governmental, industrial, private or international institutions but contributions of an investigative character are not excluded. The award of $1,500 and an engraved plaque is made available by Kraft Foods. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a selected bibliography indicating the candidate’s contributions to public service; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: G.A. Leveille, V.R. Young, J.W. Suttie, J.T. Dwyer, I. Rosenberg, J.C. King, C. Garza

The Nutrition Science Media Award
This award is given for consistent, accurate nutrition science reporting for a general audience over the last year. The award honors an individual (rather than institutions or employers) for his or her achievements in the nutrition science media. The recipient will have helped to foster the public’s understanding and appreciation of current nutrition issues based on science. Additional required criteria for this award can be found at: www.nutrition.org, click on awards and scroll down to Nutrition Science Media award.

Recent recipients include: S. Squires, N. Hellmich, C.orman, E. Cohen

Education/Mentoring Awards
Nominating Committee: Joanne Lupton, Chair
David Allison
Daniel Bessesen
Douglas Heimburger

The Dannon Institute Mentorship Award
This award is given for outstanding mentorship in the development of successful nutritional research science investigators. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is made available by the Dannon Institute. Nominations should include the following: a letter stating the basis for nomination with a description of the nominee’s mentoring skills and evidence of mentorship (joint publications grant funding with trainee, etc.); a list of current and former trainees and the positions they have achieved; at least two and up to five additional support letters from trainees; curriculum vitae.


The Roland L. Weinsier Award for Excellence in Medical/Dental Nutrition Education
This award is given in recognition of an outstanding career in medical/dental nutrition education. The nominee’s efforts should be widely recognized and should have had a national or international impact. Nomination depends on acknowledged excellence in nutrition teaching or nutrition education research that extends beyond the local institution and that includes innovations in medical/dental education. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque are sponsored by the Dannon Institute. Nominations should include a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a brief summary of the candidate’s research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award; and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.


The Excellence in Nutrition Education Award
This award is given for outstanding contributions to teaching nutrition. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is made available by Cengage Learning. The recipient will have demonstrated current superior ability as an educator in nutrition science as evidenced through a combination of the following: acknowledged excellence in nutrition teaching or nutrition education research; and, original contributions to teaching and translating new discoveries into classroom or educational materials. Nominations should include a letter stating the basis for the nomination, evidence of qualifications and the candidate’s curriculum vitae.

Recent recipients include: K.M. Rasmussen, G. Kauwell, J. Greger
The Fellows

The Fellows Committee of the American Society for Nutrition invites nominations for Fellows. Scientists who have had distinguished careers in nutrition and are at least sixty-five years of age are eligible for nomination. Membership in the Society is not a requirement for eligibility. Nominations may be made by any active or emeritus member of the Society. Send nominations, including a supporting statement setting forth the basis of the nomination, and a brief curriculum vitae, to the Chair of the Fellows Committee by October 1. Final selection will be made by the committee. The new Fellows will be honored at a luncheon at the annual meeting, at Experimental Biology 2009 in New Orleans LA, April 18–22.

Fellows Committee:
Gretel Pelto, Chair
S. Murphy
Harvey Anderson
Stephanie Atkinson
Eric Lien

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For a complete listing of the Fellows of the Society visit the ASN website at: www.nutrition.org; click on “About ASN”, then on “Awards” and then on “Fellows.”