Invitation for Nominations for 2016

The American Society for Nutrition (ASN) and the American Society for Nutrition Foundation (ASNF) awards program honors scientists, clinicians, and scholars for significant achievements in nutrition research and practice. The 2016 ASN Awards Ceremony will take place at the 2016 Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology, 2–6 April 2016, in San Diego, CA. The presentation of awards may be contingent upon Board approval and funding availability. Awards without current funding commitments are noted; interested partners are asked to contact awards@nutrition.org.

Nominations Instructions

- Each nomination must include: a letter of support outlining the basis for the nomination and the significance of the candidate’s work; and a brief curriculum vitae for the nominee, including a list of the nominee’s publications in referred journals. A reprint (or series of reprints) reporting the research for which the candidate is nominated can be appended but is not required. Please be aware that certain awards have additional requirements.
- All material for a nomination must be submitted electronically. Incomplete or late nominations will not be considered. For the most up-to-date information regarding the Society awards program, visit www.nutrition.org/awards.
- Nominations for each award will be retained for 1 year. Nominations received in response to this call will be considered for 2016 and 2017 awards selection. Nominations can be updated and resubmitted at any time.
- ASN membership is not a requirement to receive all Society awards, but outlining service to the Society is helpful when applicable.

Selection Process

- Confidential award selection juries are appointed each year. Juries rank the candidates based on the award criteria.
- An individual who has received 1 ASN award is not eligible to receive another award unless is it for accomplishments not previously recognized.
- An award is usually given to 1 person, but a jury may recommend that the award be given to 2 or more individuals who collaborated in recent research. Similarly, a jury can determine that there are no deserving candidates in a given year.
- The deadline for receipt of nominations is 15 September 2015.

Young Investigator Awards

The Bio-Serv Award in Experimental Animal Nutrition
This award is given for meritorious research in nutrition accomplished by an investigator within 10 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 supported by Bio-Serv.

Recent recipients include: DL Smith, L Bode, M Rowling.

The ELR 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 ELR Stokstad.

Recent recipients include: SK Das, EI Chiang, K Buhman.

The Mary Swartz Rose Young Investigator Award
This award is given to an investigator within 10 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 supported by the Council for Responsible Nutrition.

Recent recipients include: GD Noratto, Y Li, H Xiao.

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 10 years of postgraduate training. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Mead Johnson Pediatric Nutrition Institute.

Recent recipients include: HJ Leidy, R Bruno, L Baumgard.

The Norman Kretchmer Memorial Award in Nutrition and Development
This award is given to a young investigator for a substantial body of independent research in the field of nutrition and development with potential relevance to improving child health. The award recipient will receive an engraved plaque. The award is not accompanied by an honorarium at this time; ASN seeks additional funding partner(s) to support this award.

Recent recipients include: K Claycombe, KL Keller, L Bode.

The Peter J Reeds Young Investigator Award
This award is given for outstanding research in macronutrient metabolism accomplished within 5 years of receiving a Ph.D. degree or completing residency training. In the case of M.D. candidates, eligibility includes time of completing residency training or postdoctoral fellowship. The award will provide...
$1000, an engraved plaque, and travel funds to the ASN Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting. This award was established with an initial contribution from the Children’s Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine. Nominations should include 4 manuscripts and abstracts supporting the nomination and ASN membership. 

Recent recipients include: N Burd, A Thalacker-Mercer, S Qian.

The Samuel J Fomon Young Physician Award
This award is given to a physician within 10 years from completion of medical postdoctoral training, for outstanding work in the general area of pediatric nutrition; in particular, in infant nutrition, infant growth, or body composition. As the award honors Dr. Fomon, preclinical and/or clinical research that contributes to medical applications or produces impacts upon the practice of infant feeding will be recognized. The award of $5000 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the Nestlé Nutrition Institute.

Recent recipients include: X Gao, S Sen, P Suchdev.

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 10 years of postgraduate training). The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the Ajinomoto Co., Inc.

Recent recipients include: M Lustgarten, J Marini, R Elango.

Senior Investigator—Educator & Mentor Awards
The Dannon Institute Mentorship Award
This award is given for outstanding mentorship in the development of successful nutritional research scientists. The award of $2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by the Dannon Institute. Nominations should include 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, and additional support letters from trainees (a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 5).

Recent recipients include: B Gower, B Rogers, DB Allison.

The Excellence in Nutrition Education Award
This award is given for outstanding contributions to teaching nutrition. 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. The award recipient will receive an engraved plaque. The award is not accompanied by an honorarium at this time; ASN seeks additional funding partner(s) to support this award.

Recent recipients include: J Dwyer, D Seres, K Chapman-Novakofski.

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 is sponsored by the Dannon Institute. Nominations should include a brief summary of the candidate’s research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award.

Recent recipients include: N Krebs, R Suskind, M Kohlmeier.

Senior Investigator Awards
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 $1500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Mondelez International. Nominations should include a selected bibliography indicating the candidate’s contributions to public service.

Recent recipients include: B Popkin, S Murphy, J Milner.

The David Kritchevsky Career Achievement Award
This award is presented in recognition of a career devoted to promoting interaction among, support for, and assistance of outstanding nutrition researchers in government, 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 supported by Mondelez International.

Recent recipients include: D Bier, V Go, B Rolls.

General Mills Bell Institute of Health and Nutrition Innovation Award
This award recognizes an investigator whose scientific contributions advance the understanding of the health benefits of whole grains. Eligible recipients are conducting mechanistic, epidemiological, clinical, translational, in vitro, and/or ex vivo research contributing to the knowledge of the health benefits of cereal and grain components. The award of $5000 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the General Mills Bell Institute of Human Health & Nutrition.

Recent recipients include: M Camire, N McKeown, JL Slavin.

The Gilbert A Leveille Lectureship and Award
This award recognizes outstanding research in nutrition science and food technology. This award was created in 2009, is sponsored by a group of ASN and IFT (Institute of Food Technologists) corporate partners, and is coadministered by ASN and IFT. In addition to receiving an award plaque and $3000, the 2016 lecturer will deliver a lecture at the IFT Annual Meeting in July 2016 in Chicago, IL. Nominations for the 2016 award will be accepted by IFT.

Recent recipients include: TP Labuza, J Erdman, SJ Schwartz.
The Kellogg Prize for International Nutrition Lectureship
This award is given to a member of the Global Nutrition Council (GNC) actively engaged in research to benefit populations in nonindustrialized 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 supported by Kellogg Company. The award winner will also deliver a lecture during the GNC Business Meeting during the 2016 Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA.

Recent recipients include: GH Pelto, L Adair, RS Gibson.

The Mary Swartz Rose Senior Investigator Award
This award is given to an investigator for outstanding research on the safety and efficacy of bioactive compounds for human health. The award of $2,500 and an engraved plaque is supported by the Council for Responsible Nutrition.

Recent recipients include: D Ney, J Lampe, WG Helferich.

The McCormick Science Institute Research Award
This award is presented 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 $2,500 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the McCormick Science Institute.

Recent recipients include: J Zingg, C Keen, M Meydani.

The Osborne and Mendel Award
This award is given for outstanding recent basic research accomplishments in nutrition. The award of $2,500 and an engraved plaque is supported by ILSI North America.

Recent recipients include: NV Dhurandhar, P Stover, RS Chapkin.

Pfizer Consumer Healthcare Nutritional 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 $1,500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Pfizer Consumer Healthcare.

Recent recipients include: N Moustaid-Moussa, A Taylor, MG Traber.

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. Nominations should include a brief summary of the candidate’s research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award. The award recipient will receive an engraved plaque. The award is not accompanied by an honorarium at this time; ASN seeks additional funding partner(s) to support this award.

Recent recipients include: SB Heymsfield, M Belury, JT Brenna.

The Robert Suskind and Leslie Lewinter-Suskind Pediatric Nutrition Lifetime Achievement Award (NEW!)
This award is presented to a physician, clinician, or investigator who has made a significant lifetime contribution to the field of pediatric nutrition. The award is designed to recognize an individual whose lifetime body of work includes meaningful contributions related to the importance of childhood nutrition in health and disease. The recipient’s impact will have been global, resulting in scientifically verified improvements in children’s health and/or innovative successful treatments for conditions such as childhood malnutrition or obesity. The award of $1,500 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the Suskind family.

This award will be issued for the first time in 2016.
**ASN Fellows**

The Fellows Committee of the American Society for Nutrition (ASN) invites nominations for the Class of 2016 ASN Fellows. The ASN Fellow designation is the highest honor bestowed by the Society in recognition of significant discoveries and distinguished careers in nutrition. Scientists who are at least 65 years of age are eligible for nomination. Nominations may be made by any member of the Society.

Please email nominations including a supporting statement explaining why the candidate should receive ASN Fellowship and a brief curriculum vitae to awards@nutrition.org with attention to the Fellows Committee by 1 October 2015. Final class selection will be made by the Fellows Committee. For more information on the ASN Fellows program, please visit www.nutrition.org/fellows/

The Class of 2016 ASN Fellows will be honored at the Fellows, 50-Year Members, and Past Presidents Luncheon at the ASN Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2016, 2–6 April 2016 in San Diego, CA.

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**Special Awards & Competitions**

ASN offers many additional awards for graduate and medical students, faculty, clinicians, researchers, and academic physicians. We welcome your applications and sponsorship inquiries. Please see the ASN website for more detailed award descriptions, application deadlines, and sponsorship opportunities.

—Nutrition Science Media Award (contact: Suzanne Price, media@nutrition.org, ASN Communications and Media Director)
—WO Atwater Lectureship (contact: Kim Kaplan, kim.kaplan@ars.usda.gov, USDA Agricultural Research Center)
—Milton L Sunde Award (for publication in *The Journal of Nutrition* of outstanding experimental, applied, or fundamental research in nutrition that uses an avian species; visit: jn.nutrition.org)
—Dr. Marian Swendseid Nutrition and Cancer Prevention Scholarship Fund
—Physician Nutrition Specialist Award
—Korean Nutrition Society (KNS) Award
—Sustaining Partner Roundtable Award of Distinction
—Volunteer of the Year Award
—Maximizing Access to Research Careers (MARC) Travel Awards
—Young Minority Investigator Oral Competition, supported by DSM Nutritional Products
—Postdoctoral Research Awards Competition, endowed by DuPont Nutrition & Health
—Predoctoral Fellowships for Students in Nutrition Research
—ASN/Nutritional Sciences Council Graduate Student Research Awards Competition
—ASN/Medical Nutrition Council Clinical Emerging Leaders Award Competition
—ASN/Global Nutrition Council International Student Prize Award Competition
—ASN/Global Nutrition Council Early-Career Faculty/Researcher Award
—Clinical Nutrition Internship Program