

Faculty of Medicine Awards for Excellence in Medical Research

INTRODUCTION

To acknowledge the considerable efforts and accomplishments of our faculty in the field of medical research, the following three annual Awards for Excellence in Medical Research have been established:

- **The Faculty of Medicine Excellence in Basic Research Award** recognizes outstanding contributions to basic science research within the Faculty of Medicine.
- **The Faculty of Medicine Excellence in Clinical Research Award** recognizes outstanding contributions to clinical research within the Faculty of Medicine.
- **The Faculty of Medicine Early Career Investigator Award** recognizes outstanding contributions to basic and/or clinical research during a faculty member's early career phase within the Faculty of Medicine.

ELIGIBILITY

All currently appointed faculty members within the Faculty of Medicine are eligible. Nominees for the early career award must be within the first five years of initial appointment to the level of Assistant Professor as of March 31, 2024. Recipients may only receive an Excellence in Medical Research award once.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations must be made by the nominee's Department or Division Head. Departments/Divisions may make only 1 nomination per category per year and should select the most appropriate category for the nominee.

Nomination packages must contain:

1. A letter of nomination (*maximum two pages*) from the nominee's Department or Division Head describing:
 - The nominee's contributions to medical research at the departmental, faculty, institutional and national/international levels
 - The nature and importance of the nominee's research to their department and faculty.
2. Nominee's abbreviated CV (*maximum two pages*), including details on career development, grants/contracts received, a list of five selected publications, and a record of trainee supervision. *Full-length CVs will not be considered; please do **not** include them in the nomination package.*
3. One letter of support from a colleague, internal or external to Dalhousie, attesting to the importance of the nominee's research contributions

PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS

2023 Recipients

- Excellence in Basic Research Award – Dr. Jan Rainey
- Excellence in Clinical Research Award – Dr. Ratkia Parkash
- Early Career Investigator Award – Dr. Amy Trottier

2022 Recipients

- Excellence in Patient-Oriented Research Award – Dr. Amanda Vinson Early Career Investigator Award – Dr. Denys Khapersky

2021 Recipients

- Excellence in Basic Research Award – Dr. Alex Quinn
- Excellence in Patient-Oriented Research Award – Dr. Jennifer Jones Early Career Investigator Award – Dr. Leah Cahill

2020 Recipients

- Excellence in Basic Research Award – Dr. Jeanette Boudreau
- Excellence in Patient-Oriented Research Award – Dr. Karthik Tennankore Early Career Investigator Award – Dr. Alyson Kelvin

REVIEW PROCESS

Complete nomination packages must be submitted as a **single PDF file** via e-mail to Awards.Medicine@dal.ca. **The deadline to submit nominations is Monday, April 15, 2024.** Please use the following as a file name and e-mail subject line: FoM Excellence Award Nomination_*Award Category*_*Nominee's surname*

Nominations will be screened for eligibility and completeness.

Members of the Faculty of Medicine Research Advisory Committee (barring those with conflicts of interest) will be invited to review the nominations. Reviewers will independently rank nominations based on the evaluation criteria. The evaluation and consensus-building processes are committed to the principles of EDIA.

If no suitable nominations are submitted, no award will be given. The review committee reserves the right to move nominees between categories if a nominee meets the criteria and no suitable nominations have been submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A formal award announcement and presentation will be made at the Faculty of Medicine year-end meeting on Tuesday, May 28, 2024. Award recipients will be notified in advance of the year-end meeting by Wednesday, May 15, 2024.