



2020 Canada Gairdner Wightman Award

NOMINATION DEADLINE: October 1, 2019

How to Nominate

All nominations are submitted through the [Gairdner Nominations Portal](#) which can be accessed via www.gairdner.org. The individual serving as the primary nominator will create a nominator profile on the site which allows them to submit a nomination.

Selection Process

The nominations are reviewed by the Wightman Advisory Committee, a group of 12-15 administrative leaders who are familiar with Canadian medicine. It is chaired by Dr. Janet Rossant, President & Scientific Director of Gairdner. The selection is submitted to the Gairdner Board of Directors for formal approval.

All nominations will be maintained for a period of five (5) years. If the nominee is not selected for an award after 5 years, a two (2) year waiting period must be observed before a nomination is resubmitted. Under exceptional circumstances, this waiting period can be waived at the discretion of the President.

Conditions

- Upon notification, the award must be accepted by recipients within a term decided by the Foundation, and be received in person by the recipient at the Canada Gairdner Awards dinner in October 2020.
- Recipients are expected to participate in the National Program that takes place across Canada.
- The Prize is valued at \$100,000 CAD, and is for the personal use of recipients. An award citation and a commemorative item will also be presented.

- Awards are made to scientists who have done the majority of work within Canada, without restriction of gender, race, religion, creed or nationality.
- Expenses for travel and accommodation for recipients and their partners to accept the awards are paid by Gairdner.
- All selections are final, and are not subject to review or challenge.

Nominations for 2020 should be received no later than October 1, 2019.

(Please note that this is a strict deadline date)

Nominations received after this date will be considered the following year.

Gairdner Foundation Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

The Gairdner Foundation confirms its strong commitment to Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI). Throughout the activities associated with the Canada Gairdner Awards program and associated Canadian and Global outreach programs, Gairdner strives to engage and promote the active participation of individuals of diverse backgrounds and abilities.

The foundation of the Canada Gairdner Awards program is the recognition of scientific excellence globally.

Gairdner embraces diverse perspectives in research. Special emphasis is given to sourcing competitive nominations of members of groups underrepresented in scientific awards and in the research community at large, including but not limited to women, visible minorities, Indigenous persons and individuals with disabilities. Gairdner invites the community to join us in this effort by nominating outstanding scientists of diverse backgrounds for the Canada Gairdner Awards.

Nomination Checklist

Nominee Information

- Salutation, Full Name, Post-Nominal Titles
- Current positions and location
- Work Address, Phone, Email
- Personal Address, Phone, Email (if available)

Nomination Information

- Citation: 1-2 sentence summary of the nominee's work/contributions
- Primary Nomination letter (.doc/.pdf) from nominator
- Nomination Key Contacts (optional): If the Primary Nomination letter has signatories in addition to the registered Nominator, please include their information here
- Summary of Research Contributions: Please provide a survey of the nominee's contributions to medical science
- Analysis of Nominee's Leadership Nationally and Internationally (.doc/.pdf): Please provide an analysis of the nominee's leadership roles and impact.
- Biography: Short biography of up to 300 words (.doc/.pdf)
- Top 5 Publications by the Nominee- Please provide the citations for the nominee's most significant/representative publications
- CV (.doc/.pdf)
- Supporting Documents (.doc/.pdf)
 - Nominations must have at least two letters of recommendation in addition to the Primary Nomination Letter. There is no upward limit of supporting documents.
It is recommended that letters cover a breadth of national and international sources, and can individually focus on either research or leadership as appropriate.
 - Other documents that would contribute to the file can also be included in this section.