**Selection Process**

The Adjudication Committee is comprised of Canadian and international scientific and institutional leaders familiar with the Canadian medical and scientific communities. A full adjudication committee meeting will be held in December of each year to select the top two candidates via blind ballot vote. The selection is submitted to the Gairdner Board of Directors for formal approval.

Unsuccessful candidates can reapply in the following year but the nomination process must be initiated anew. Nominations are not carried over year to year.

**Conditions of Award**

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 gala in October of that year, barring exceptional circumstances. Expenses for travel & accommodation for recipients and an accompanying person to accept the awards are paid by Gairdner.

Recipients are expected to participate in the National Lecture Program that takes place across Canada. Awards are made without restriction of gender, race, religion, creed or nationality.

The Prize is valued at $50,000 CAD and is for the personal use of recipients. An award citation and a medal will also be presented.

Recipients must confirm that they will be outstanding Gairdner ambassadors, upholding our commitment to recognizing excellence, inspiring the next generation and promoting a culture of science in Canada and beyond.

**Nomination Checklist**

**First Submission Stage**

*The initial nomination can be submitted by the nominee or by another party. Self-nominations must provide the contact information and signed consent of a sponsor who is willing to support the nominee at the second submission stage should the nominee advance.*

**Fields**

- Nominee salutation, full name, post-nominal titles
- Current Positions and Affiliations
- Work address, phone, email
- Year of first independent research appointment (cumulative time of leave or extenuating disruptions including but not limited to familial leave, caretaking, long or short term disability, etc can be provided but is not necessary)
- Nomination sponsor name, phone, email
- Confirmation of Nomination sponsor consent
- Summary of impactful research performed/published in the last six years, and explanation of suitability for the award (1-2 pg)
- Top 5 publications or other material related to research summary with brief summary of the impact of each.
- Short CV including training, positions, significant honours & awards, publication list (excluding abstracts) and any significant contributions to the scientific community.

**Second Submission Stage**

*The second submission stage must be submitted by the nominator or sponsor indicated in the first stage. The nominations selected to proceed to this stage will be invited to provide further information by August 15, 2022. Those who will not proceed will also be notified by August 15, 2022.*

**Fields**

- Nominator/Sponsor statement of support for nominee (1 pg)
- Suggested citation for nominee (1-2 sentences)
- Comparative analysis of the nominee’s impact on their field, with context for their nomination relative to their colleagues (1 pg)
- 2-3 external letters of support (letters from beyond the current institute of the nominee, including international supporters, are strongly encouraged)

**Questions?**

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