

# FIP Rules of Procedure

## BU-C4: FIP DISTINGUISHED PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCE AWARD

### Purpose of the Award

The purpose of the award is to recognise an outstanding research-active scientist who has made significant contributions to the diverse field of pharmaceutical sciences.

The award will be granted every three years at an annual FIP Congress.

### Focus and impact

Applicants should

- be an outstanding research-active scientist who has made significant contributions to their field in pharmaceutical sciences
- be a leader in their field
- have made an impact on policy and/or practice nationally or regionally

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### Specific Eligibility Criteria

- An active researcher and pharmaceutical scientist.
- Mid-career years of experience are considered to be between 9 - 15 years and any previous (early) career experience will inform the current or new scope/discipline of practice.
- FIP membership is not a requirement for Distinguished Pharmaceutical Science Award nominees.
- A person who is currently serving as an Officer or an Employee/Staff member of FIP is not eligible for nomination during his/her term of office.
- Work conducted as Employee/Staff member of FIP may not be included as part of the application.

### Nomination of Candidates

A call for nominations, accompanied by a list of past recipients of the award, will be made in November of the year before the year of awarding, via the FIP communication network to the members of the Bureau, of the Board of Pharmaceutical Sciences (BPS), of the Board of Pharmaceutical Practice (BPP), of the FIPed ExCo, of the FIP HUB, of the Regional Forum ExCos, FIP Member Organisations (MOs), Predominantly Scientific Member Organisations (PSMOs) and Allied Organisations, (including Academic Institutional members (AIMs)). This award is given every three years.



The same nominator(s) may nominate more than one individual. A minimum of one nominator per nominee is required. There is no advantage in having more than one nominator nominating a nominee.

It is recommended that the nominee is not included (copied) in the nomination submission or correspondence, in order to prevent disappointment in case they are not selected to receive an award.

Nominations must be submitted by 1 March of the year in which the award is given and must contain the following information:

- a) Curriculum Vitae of the proposed nominee (in English, detailing, where applicable, education, research and professional experience, honours/awards, publications/patents, invited presentations, and service to professional organizations, incl. FIP).
- b) A concise statement summarizing the reasons why and how the nominee meets the selection criteria for this award (in English, not exceeding two A4/letter pages). A broad international view should be taken in proposing nominees.
- c) Two reference letters in support of the application.
- d) Name, address, e-mail and telephone number of the nominee.
- e) Name, address, e-mail and telephone number of the individual/group making the nomination.
- f) A recent, high quality colour photograph of the nominee (i.e., passport type).

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Nominations should be submitted in writing, preferably by e-mail, to the attention of:

FIP Scientific Secretary  
FIP Head office  
Andries Bickerweg 5  
2517 JP The Hague  
The Netherlands  
[BPS@fip.org](mailto:BPS@fip.org)

All nominations will be acknowledged and are kept confidential.

### **Selection Committee**

Selection of eligible candidates and award of the FIP Distinguished Pharmaceutical Science award shall be conducted by a Selection Committee composed of the Chair of BPS or Scientific Secretary; and four external expert members nominated via BPS.



## Selection of the Awardee

The Selection Committee will review received nominations at its first meeting after the submission deadline.

Nominees will be evaluated based on the evidence provided on their

- continued outstanding scientific contributions to their field in the pharmaceutical sciences,
- leadership in their field, and
- outstanding impact on policy and/or practice nationally or regionally.

In general, scientific contributions and impact in the pharmaceutical sciences will be judged by publications/patents, invited presentations, and honours/awards.

The Selection Committee will submit a recommendation to the BPS for approval and the Bureau shall be requested to ratify the decision.

Thereafter, the awardee and nominator will be notified by the Scientific Secretary of his/her successful nomination. All deliberations will be held in private and the reasons for an award being declined will not be disclosed. Any attempt to canvas members of the Selection Committee, BPS or Bureau Members will disqualify the nomination. The Bureau's decision on all matters is final.

Irrespective of the final outcome, the names of all nominees will be kept strictly confidential within the members of the Selection Committee and the BPS. The name of the selected winner will not be divulged prior to the announcement by the FIP Head Office on behalf of the BPS.

## Provision of award / Recognition Event

The recipient will be recognised during the Opening Ceremony of the Annual FIP Congress, and the FIP President or his/her designate will present the award. The recipient will be asked to give a 2-3 mins response.

Furthermore, the recipient of this award agrees to present a lecture at the annual FIP Congress that year.

The award consists of a commemorative gift (engraved trophy), travel to the Congress based on economy airfare, complimentary Congress registration, hotel accommodation (up to 2 nights), and 12 months free membership.