



FASEB Excellence in Science Awards – Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What are the different categories of the FASEB Excellence in Science Awards?

A: FASEB's Excellence in Science Program offers three awards to recognize achievements by women scientists at different career stages. The three award categories are:

[Lifetime Achievement](#) (Established Investigators)

[Mid-Career Investigator](#) (Within 7 – 15 years of first independent scientist position)

[Early-Career Investigator](#) (Within 7 years of first independent scientist position)

Q: Who is eligible for the FASEB Excellence in Science Awards?

A: Women who are current members of a FASEB Full Member Society are eligible to be nominated for FASEB's Excellence in Science Awards.

Q: Is eligibility determined by the year of nomination or the year of the award?

A: Eligibility is determined by the award year (2022)

Early-Career Eligibility: appointed 2015 and onward

Mid-Career Eligibility: appointment 2007 and onward

Note: Nominators may indicate parental leave of absence that may have affected eligibility up to one year in their nomination letter.

Q: Who is eligible to nominate candidates for the FASEB Excellence in Science Awards?

A: Current members of a FASEB Full Member Society are eligible to nominate candidates for FASEB's Excellence in Science Awards. Nominators do not have to be women.

Q: How do I know if my society is FASEB Full Member Society?

A: The list of FASEB Full Member Societies can be accessed [here](#). The nomination form also requires selection of at least one FASEB Full Member Society each for the Nominee and Nominator. If the society is not listed, it is not an eligible society.

Q: How do I nominate someone for the FASEB Excellence in Science Awards?

A: All nominations must be submitted online using the appropriate forms.

Nominations for the [Lifetime Achievement Award](#) must include a nomination letter, complete nominee CV, five nominee reprints, three letters of support from the nominee's peers, and three letters of recommendation from trainees illustrating mentorship and impact on careers (13 total items).

Nominations for the [Mid-Career Award](#) must include a nomination letter, complete nominee CV, five nominee reprints, and three letters of support demonstrating impact on research and mentoring/career development (10 total items).



Nominations for the [Early-Career Award](#) must include a nomination letter, complete nominee CV, five nominee reprints, and three letters of support illustrating nominee's impact on research and/or training and education in biological or biomedical science (10 total items)

Q: Do Letters of Support need to be from members of FASEB societies?

A: No. Only the Nominator and Nominee must be current members of a FASEB Full Member Society

Q: What are the review criteria for the FASEB Excellence in Science Awards:

A: While the details of the review criteria vary by award category, all nominees are evaluated for their scientific achievements and contributions, role in the professional development of others, and engagement in their scientific society and the broader community. Details for each award can be found on the specific award pages:

[Lifetime Achievement](#)

[Mid-Career Investigator](#)

[Early-Career Investigator](#)

Q: Is it possible to submit documents beyond those requested to support a nomination?

A: No. Additional documents will not be considered.

Q: Does a nominee get "extra credit" if multiple nominations are submitted on their behalf?

A: No. Only one nomination per nominee will be considered. In the instance of multiple nominations, FASEB staff will work with the nominators to condense materials into a single package.

Q: I nominated someone for a 2021 Excellence in Science Award. Does this nomination carry over to the 2022 cycle?

A: Normally nominations do not carry over from year to year; however, due to the unexpected delays in reviewing the 2021 nominees, individuals unsuccessful for that cycle will automatically be renominated for the 2022 awards [if eligible](#). If the nominee is no longer eligible for the category for which they were nominated in 2021, nominators should submit a new nomination package for the appropriate category for the 2022 cycle. Similarly, if nominators wish to update the nomination packet, they should submit a new nomination.

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