

World Society for Mushroom Biology and Mushroom Products

Outstanding Senior and Young Researcher Awards

Criteria and Selection Process

The World Society for Mushroom Biology and Mushroom Products (WSMBMP) Outstanding Researcher Award was established to recognize individuals who have conducted outstanding research on mushroom-related topics over a period of at least ten years. This award, funded by the WSMBMP, is presented tri-annually. This year, it is proposed to introduce a second award, the Outstanding Young Researcher Award, for individuals under the age of 35 on 1st August, 2014.

Eligibility:

Outstanding Senior Researcher (OSR) Award: All mushroom biologists with a record of at least 10 years of relevant research are eligible. Previous recipients of the WSMBMP Outstanding Researcher Award are ineligible for re-nomination within six years of receiving this award.

Outstanding Young Researcher (OYR) Award: All mushroom researchers under the age of 35 on 1st August, 2014 are eligible.

Selection Criteria: Selection will be based on submitted evidence that documents research excellence.

Each nomination should include: (1) an up-to-date curriculum vitae; (2) a one-page tabulated summary of research accomplishments; (3) a list of published research work; (4) two letters of recommendation, including one from the nominator; (5) a list of all research awards which the candidate has either received or has been nominated for; and (6) a one page summary of the nominees' perceptions of his or her research activities (optional).

Evaluation of OYRA nominations will be based mainly on a candidate's publication record in journals with an impact factor, together with participation in national/international research projects and other relevant scientific activities.

Selection Committee: The WSMBMP Awards Committee shall nominate one candidate for each award category to the WSMBMP President.

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WSMBMP Awards Committee: Dr. Gerardo Mata (Mexico) – Chair; Dr. Nelson Colauto (Brazil); Dr. András Geösel (Hungary)