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Faculty of Medicine Community of Scholars Awards of Excellence in Medical Research

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INTRODUCTION

The Awards of Excellence in Medical Research are made in tribute to Dr. J. Donald Hatcher whose vision as Dean of Medicine (1976-1985) led to the establishment of Dalhousie Medical Research Foundation. The following three awards have been created to acknowledge research excellence among our junior faculty members and to encourage their continued efforts in medical research:

The DMRF Award of Excellence (for Basic Research)

The DMRF Award of Excellence (for Clinical Research)

The DMRF Award of Excellence (for Research in Bio-Ethics, Medical Education, Medical Informatics, Population Health, Health-Law or Medical Humanities)

ELIGIBILITY

Nominations will be considered for members of the Faculty of Medicine at Dalhousie University who, as of March 31st of the current academic year, have served no more than eight years at the level of assistant professor or higher. Faculty members who were previously nominated (but not award recipients) may be re-nominated.

NOMINATION PROCESS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

The following documentation is required when making a nomination:

1. **A letter of nomination** (*not longer than two pages*) from the Department / Division Head. This letter should:
 - Recognize the nominee's contributions to medical research at the departmental, faculty, institutional and national levels;
 - Describe the nature and importance of collaborative interactions.
2. **An abbreviated CV** (*not longer than two pages*) providing details of the nominee's career development including grants/contracts received, a listing of a maximum of 5 selected publications, and the nominee's record of trainee supervision.
3. **A letter of support** from a colleague.

Full length CV's will **NOT** be considered; please do not include them with the nomination package. Please note that applications must be complete to be considered. A Department / Division may make only one nomination per year.

SELECTION

The Dalhousie Medical Research Foundation's Scientific Advisory Committee will be charged with the responsibility of selecting one recipient in each of the three awards categories.

THE AWARDS

Recipients will be awarded a certificate of accomplishment along with a grant of \$7,000 to support continued research and/or professional development. There is no prescribed time limit within which the award must be expended but in the case of the recipient's departure from Dalhousie University, any unexpended funds and/or equipment purchased will be transferred to the department. Recipients are eligible to receive a Faculty of Medicine Community of Scholars Award only once.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Winners of DMRF Scholar Awards will be notified not later than the end of March. The formal announcement and presentation of awards will be made at the Faculty of Medicine Community of Scholars Dinner hosted by the Dalhousie Medical Research Foundation. Recipients and their guest will be invited to attend the Community of Scholars Dinner.

Any proceeds from the Community of Scholars Dinner will be directed to the Dalhousie Medical Research Foundation's Capital Equipment Fund.

DEADLINE

Nominations (including *nine copies plus the original*) should be sent to:

Dalhousie Medical Research Foundation
1-A1, Tupper Medical Building
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A current competition schedule can be obtained by visiting the Foundation's website ~ www.dmr.ca or by calling the office at 494-3502.