



American Committee of Medical Entomology (ACME) Breakthrough in Medical Entomology Award

ACME works to promote medical entomology within ASTMH and in organizations whose scopes of activities include the area of human diseases transmitted by arthropods. We seek opportunities to emphasize and expand the contributions of medical entomology to tropical medicine and also to appropriately recognize outstanding contributions by next-generation medical entomologists.

ACME seeks to award funding of \$1,000 to outstanding recent contributions (within the past 5 years) to the study and/or practice of Medical Entomology that ultimately will contribute to reducing the burden of human diseases transmitted by arthropods. This award is designed to encourage and acknowledge significant advances in the field by investigators at any career stage. Examples of such advances include breakthrough research findings in vector biochemistry, molecular biology, genetics, genomics, ecology, evolution or significant advances in technologies for vector surveillance or control. ***This award is supported by a generous donation from SC Johnson to the American Committee of Medical Entomology.***

Nominees/applicants must be a member of the ASTMH and ACME. Women are particularly encouraged to apply. Not a current member of ACME? Contact [Buffy Finn](#) for more information.

Application Materials:

- Cover letter (2 pages, maximum) to describe the contribution and its impact on the field of Medical Entomology.
- CV
- A pdf of a manuscript or other output (presentation, patent, etc.) associated with the contribution.
- 2 letters of support on institutional letterhead from experts in the field to speak to the nature of the breakthrough and its impact on the field of Medical Entomology.
- 2x2 high-resolution headshot photo

Timeline:

- **Online application site** – Beginning April 28, applications can be submitted [online](#)
- **Application deadline** – June 7, 2021
- **Notification** - Award notices will be sent in July.

Application Instructions:

Collect all application materials prior to submitting them to the online awards system. Although the applicant will be able to edit his or her award submission prior to the June 7 deadline, the submission process will be much easier if the applicant collects all application materials prior to submission.

Very important...The letters of support must be uploaded directly to the ASTMH application site by experts in the field of Medical Entomology. The submission site will ask the applicant to provide the name, mailing address, phone, fax and e-mail for the experts.

The submission program will then generate an e-mail to these experts with instructions to upload the letter of support to the ASTMH application site. It is very important that the applicant gathers the contact information for the experts prior to beginning their online submission. It is then the applicant's responsibility to communicate with the two experts to ensure that each expert has received the e-mail generated by the submission site and has uploaded the letter by the June 7 deadline.

After June 7, any application that does not include the letters of recommendation will be considered incomplete and will not be forwarded to the review committee.

Finalizing the application:

After entering all information into the online application and after all document uploads are complete, go to the REVIEW SUBMISSION page and scroll down to the bottom. If all information has been entered correctly, a drop-down menu will appear at the bottom of the page. Select the response of COMPLETE in the drop-down menu and press SAVE. The application will then be complete and ready for review.

Questions? Contact:

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