Environment Division Early Career Researcher Award

Terms of Reference

This award recognizes an outstanding early career researcher who has made distinguished contributions in the fields of environmental chemistry or environmental chemical engineering, while working in any sector in Canada, e.g., academia, government, industry, for-profit/not-for-profit, private/public sector. One award will be available each year. Early career researchers eligible for this award are applicants who received their highest postgraduate or professional degree (e.g., Ph.D.) in the preceding 12 years and have demonstrated a strong track record of independent productivity beyond research conducted while working with a supervisor (e.g., beyond Ph.D. and postdoctoral research if applicable).

Deadline
July 2 of every year

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Award
A framed scroll and up to $1,000 for travel expenses to the Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition (CCCE) or Canadian Chemical Engineering Conference (CCEC) to present an award lecture and be presented with the award.

Nominations must include
- Citation (250 word maximum) Statement of why the candidate should receive the award. This is the key document in the nomination and this information should be relevant to the achievements for which the award is being offered.
- Biographical Sketch (250 word maximum) This provides background information on the nominee and summarizes past accomplishments. This is a summary of information obtained from a C.V.
- Curriculum Vitae (maximum 9 pages).
- A summary of up to five key contributions and advances in the field that best describe the applicant’s recent research progress and impact (maximum 1 page)
- Supporting Letters (3 to 5) At least two letters must be from outside the nominee’s organization.

Selection Committee:
- Director of Awards of the CSC or CSChE as non-voting Chair
- Past two recipients of the Environment Division Research and Development Dima Award and/or the Environment Division Early Career Researcher Award
- One member of the current Environment Division executive designated by the Division Chair
- In the event of a conflict of interest, the Division Chair shall designate an alternative member of the Subject Division Executive to serve
The award shall be presented annually. No award will be given out, if less than 3 nominations for the award are received or if the Committee considers that no suitable candidate has been nominated.

All nominations will remain in force for three years. Nominators are responsible for keeping the record of the nominee up to date and complete.

Additional considerations:
An individual cannot hold both the Environment Division Early Career Researcher Award and the Environment Research and Development Dima Award in the same year. A nominee must demonstrate new achievements from that recognised for earlier awards to receive the Environment Research and Development Dima Award at a later date.