

## Alton Ochsner Award Relating Smoking and Disease

### Sponsor

Ochsner Health

### Description

This prestigious award recognizes exemplary scientific research achievements that provide major insights into the biological mechanisms relating tobacco smoking and human disease. It has been given annually since 1986 by Ochsner Health.

The award is named in honor of Dr. Alton Ochsner, co-founder of the Ochsner Clinic (now known as Ochsner Health) based in New Orleans, LA. In 1939, Dr. Ochsner published the first evidence indicating that tobacco smoking was the major cause of lung cancer. These seminal research findings led to a succession of scientific studies in the United States and worldwide resulting in the identification of the underlying causes associated with diseases related to smoking.

### Eligibility

An annual award of \$15,000 will be presented to one to three investigators without regard to age, race, gender, or nationality for outstanding and exemplary original scientific investigations that relate tobacco consumption with disease. This scientific work may be clinical, fundamental, epidemiological or preventive in scope. The prime criterion for award selection is scientific content and impact on this major health threat. All nominations, whatever the category of scientific inquiry, must be supported by letters and copies of peer-reviewed scientific publications.

### Prize

Recipients receive a \$15,000 honorarium, an award medallion, and a plaque describing their key research findings.

### Special Notes

Please note that research activities carried out in the context of COVID-19 need to adhere to the University of Guelph COVID-19 research principles, policies, guidelines and processes as they may be updated from time to time and communicated on the [Office of Research web-page](#)

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## Deadlines

**If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.**

Type	Date	Notes
<b>External Deadline</b>	Wednesday, March 31, 2021 - 9:00am	Please submit the nomination via email to <a href="mailto:AOSRA@ochsner.org">AOSRA@ochsner.org</a> [2]. Please also submit a copy of the full nomination and OR-5 to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [3].

## How to Apply

Applications must be submitted via email to [AOSRA@ochsner.org](mailto:AOSRA@ochsner.org) [2]. Please submit an OR-5 and a completed application to [research.services@uoguelph.ca](mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca) [3] by the external deadline.

Nominations must be made by a letter (online) that describes in detail, but concisely, the scientific work and major contributions of the investigator to the field. Self-nominations are excluded. All nominations must include and be supported by: (1) the candidate's curriculum vitae (containing an active mailing address, office telephone and cellular telephone numbers, and e-mail address, and bibliography; (2) at least two additional supporting letters of recommendation by scientific peers from outside the candidate's institution; and (3) reprints of at least three pertinent major supporting scientific contributions.

## For More Information

For more information, contact [stratprg@uoguelph.ca](mailto:stratprg@uoguelph.ca) [4] or [AOSRA@ochsner.org](mailto:AOSRA@ochsner.org) [2]. See the [Ochsner Health website](#) [5] for more information.

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