The Frozen Food Foundation Freezing Research Award honors an individual, group, or organization for preeminence and outstanding contributions in research that impacts food safety attributes of freezing. The research can include, but is not limited to: food safety aspects of frozen food and innovative freezing techniques. The Award recipient will receive a plaque and a $2,000 honorarium sponsored by the Frozen Food Foundation.

Qualifications for nominees

- Be an individual, group, or organization from industry, academia, or government involved in freezing research and the effects of freezing on food.
- Have preeminence in and have made outstanding contributions to the field of research involving frozen food or have developed an innovative, significant, or strategic solution providing value to the frozen food industry.
- IAFP Executive Board Members and Frozen Food Foundation Awards Committee Members are not eligible for this award. Previous recipients of the Frozen Food Foundation Freezing Research Award are not eligible for a period of three years.
Criteria for nominations
Please provide specific information on the following:

- **Career highlights — length of service and positions held in the conduct of research, especially the research of frozen food**
  Provide curriculum vitae or summary of positions held and other activities highlighting the nominee’s dedication and length of service to the advancement of frozen food.

- **Specific achievement or accomplishment in the advancement of frozen food**
  Provide a list of specific activities and their outcomes that would be considered significant achievements or accomplishments in furthering frozen foods (e.g., include specific research projects with a summary of their outcomes).

  Describe the originality/creativity and quality of the contribution.

  Describe the significance/importance of the contribution.

  Provide documentation supporting the effectiveness of the effort and the value to the frozen food industry.

- **Educational activities in the benefits of frozen food offered directly or indirectly to the food industry**
  Provide a list of involvements and specific roles in training programs, contributions to publications, and/or other forms of educational communications (e.g., organized workshops or other training programs, authored or co-authored papers published in recognized journals or magazines, etc.).

- **Peer assessment of nominee**
  Provide no less than two and no more than three letters of support* from professional peers in addition to a nomination letter.* Nominees may nominate themselves.

Additional considerations
Other activities or characteristics of the nominee not specifically covered in the stated criteria may be provided to emphasize nominee’s dedication to frozen food (e.g., involvement with IAFP or other associations, volunteer, and community activities related to frozen food, etc.).

Submitting nominations
Nominations must be submitted as one PDF to awards@foodprotection.org by Tuesday, February 16, 2021. Please follow directions carefully to avoid errors. Nominations received by email directly to the IAFP office or by mail will not be accepted. If you have any questions about this award or the required documents, please contact Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Once you have submitted your complete nomination, you will receive an acknowledgment of receipt from Susan within 48 hours. (If you do not, please contact Susan.)

*Nomination letter and letters of support cannot be from a current IAFP Board Member