



International Association for
Food Protection®

Young Investigator Award in Antimicrobial Resistance

The Young Investigator Award in Antimicrobial Resistance recognizes an active IAFP Member who has shown outstanding ability and professional promise as a researcher in food microbiology/food safety, focusing on antimicrobial resistance. The award consists of a plaque and a payment of €10,000 to support further research work by the laureate and is sponsored by **Institut Mérieux**.

NOTE: The money will be transferred to the hosting institution of the laureate, which will hold responsibility for proper utilization of the funds for research by the laureate.

Qualifications for nominees

- Be a non-student IAFP Member in good standing at the time of nomination and during the IAFP Annual Meeting (when receiving the award)
- Be employed in academia, industry, government service or the private sector with a primary role as a researcher in the area of food microbiology/food safety with an emphasis on antimicrobial resistance
- Have made significant research contribution(s) with significant impact(s) to diagnostics, monitoring and/or control of AMR
- The nominee, by the deadline of the application submission, must have received his/her highest graduate degree (M.S. or Ph.D.) in a related field within the previous ten years.
- Previous recipients of the Young Investigator Award, IAFP Executive Board Members, and IAFP Awards Committee Members are not eligible for this award.

Criteria for nominations

Please provide *specific information* on the following:

- **Career highlights—length of service and positions held in the profession of food microbiology/food safety**
Provide a brief CV of nominee (**3 pages maximum**), highlighting indicators of promise and excellence in food microbiology/food safety, including research grants and contracts, research awards, and a list of publications (**15 maximum**).
- **Research focus and previous contributions**
Provide a two-page summary of the nominee's primary research focus and previous contributions to food microbiology/food safety research.
- **Ongoing and future research**
Provide a three-page description of ongoing and future research undertaken by the applicant in the field of food microbiology/food safety research.
- **Peer assessment of nominee**
Provide two letters of support* from professional colleagues, in addition to the nomination cover letter.

Additional points to consider under the criteria for evaluating nominee

Other activities or characteristics of the nominee that are not specifically covered under the above criteria may be provided to emphasize the nominee's dedication to food protection and demonstrate the nominee's high personal standards (e.g., other associations, volunteer and community activities, 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*