Larry Beuchat
Young Researcher Award

The Young Researcher Award recognizes an active IAFP Member who has shown outstanding ability and professional promise as a researcher in food microbiology/food safety. The award consists of a plaque and a $2,000 honorarium sponsored by bioMérieux, Inc.

Qualifications for nominees
- Be a non-student Member in good standing at the time of the 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.
- The nominee, by July 1 of the year of presentation, must have received his/her highest graduate degree (M.S. or Ph.D.) in a related field within the previous seven years.
- Previous recipients of the Young Researcher 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:

- **Research highlights and contributions**
  Provide a written summary of the nominee’s primary research focus and contributions to food microbiology/food safety research. Provide a resume or summary of the nominee’s publications, research grants and contracts, patents, research awards, and any other documentation of the nominee’s promise and excellence in food microbiology/food safety research.

- **Peer assessment of the nominee**
  Provide no less than two and no more than three 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 safety research.

Submitting nominations
Nominations must be submitted as one PDF to awards@foodprotection.org. 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.) Reminder: Nomination deadline is Tuesday, February 18, 2020.

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