Radiation Research Society Award and Nominations Criteria

**Failla Award**

The Failla Award was established in 1962 - 1963 to honor the late Gioacchino Failla, a founding father of the Radiation Research Society (RRS) as well as its second president. The award is given annually to an outstanding member of the radiation research community in recognition of a history of significant contributions to radiation research. Each year the RRS President presents the awardee with an engraved medallion and a cash award.

The membership of the Awards and Honors Committee ensures that all disciplines within the Society are given representation for this award. Committee members nominate candidates for the Failla Award, and these are combined with candidates nominated by the membership of the Society to form a final roster from which the recipient is selected. Nominations should consist of current *curriculum vitae* and no more than two letters of support for the nominee.

**Michael Fry Research Award**

The Michael Fry Research Award is given to recognize an early career researcher, but not defined by any specific age. In keeping with the intent of the award, early in career is typically considered to be within 10 years of completion of training (e.g., post-doc, residency, fellowship). A candidate is not required to be a member of the Society, but the work upon which the nomination is based must be in one or more of the areas of radiation research. Candidates who are unsuccessful in any given year may be re-nominated in a subsequent year if they continue to meet the above criteria.

Nominations and letters of support for a candidate may be submitted by members of the Society or by other interested scientists. The dossier to be provided by the sponsor of a candidate should include the following:

a) The candidate’s *curriculum vitae*

b) The candidate’s bibliography, which should be divided into the following categories:
   1) Peer Reviewed Papers
   2) Proceedings, Book Chapters, Letters

c) Two papers that best represent the candidate’s work

d) Supporting letters from not less than two and not more than three persons (including the sponsor) who are familiar with the candidate’s accomplishments. It is strongly suggested that the sponsor collects all of the necessary information and supporting letters prior to submitting the dossier to be sure that all materials are submitted prior to the deadline.

**Distinguished Service Award**

The Distinguished Service Award shall be given to an RRS member or non-member to recognize continued service conducted beyond the call of duty to further the goals and objectives of the Society. This award need not be given annually, but rather when the Society deems it to be appropriate. The award is presented at the Annual Business Meeting.

Candidates for this award will be nominated by the membership of the Society. The Awards and Honors Committee itself may nominate candidates. Nominating letters should describe the distinguished service in detail, including an outline of offices and committee memberships held and the accomplishments made in such offices and committees. No more than two additional letters of support will be accepted.
for each nominee. Nominations should consist of the candidate’s curriculum vitae, a nomination letter, and no more than two supporting letters.

**Jack Fowler Award**

The Jack Fowler Award is provided by the University of Wisconsin to honor the achievements of Professor Jack Fowler. The award recognizes an outstanding junior investigator for exceptional work in radiation oncology, medical physics, and/or radiobiology. Nominations for the Jack Fowler Award must include the candidate’s curriculum vitae, a nomination letter, and no more than two supporting letters.

**J.W. Osborne Award**

The J.W. Osborne Award honors an RRS member who has contributed significantly to the understanding of normal tissue radiation responses. The recipient of the Osborne Award should ideally be a mid-career scientist and a member of the RRS in good standing. Candidates for the Osborne Award are nominated by the membership of the Society, and the selection is made by the Awards and Honors Committee. Nominations should consist of a nomination letter, the candidate’s curriculum vitae, and no more than two supporting letters.

**Radiation Research Editors’ Award**

The Radiation Research Society has established an award to be given each year to a Scholar-in-Training (SIT) who has published an outstanding paper in Radiation Research.

This year’s award will be given for a paper published in 2020 (volumes 193 and 194).

The recipient will receive a $1,000 travel award to attend the Radiation Research Society’s 67th Annual Meeting, as well as waived registration. The recipient will also be recognized at the Business Meeting held during the Annual Meeting.

1. This award will be presented to a Scholar-in-Training, who is the first author on an outstanding paper published in 2020.

2. The Nominee must have been a Scholar-in-Training, Radiation Research Society member in good standing at the time of publication. All classifications of SIT (Junior or Senior; Individual or Sponsored) are eligible for this award.

3. Each candidate for this award must be nominated by either a full or emeritus Radiation Research Society member. Both individual members and members whose dues are paid through institutional memberships are eligible to nominate a candidate for this award. A member may nominate only one SIT for this award. Only one letter of nomination will be considered for each paper.

1. The letter of nomination should be no more than 2 pages in length and should include the following:

   The name of the SIT and a citation including the authors, title, volume and page numbers of the paper.

   A brief description of the nominator’s relationship to the SIT and the paper, if any. A brief description of the nominator’s reasons for proposing this SIT and this paper for this award.
A short explanation of the nominee’s role in performing the research leading to the paper and in writing the paper.

II. The nomination letter should be emailed to Judy Fye (jfye@iupui.edu), Managing Editor, no later than April 26, 2021.

III. It is not necessary to send a copy of the paper.

4. The process of selecting the award recipient will consider the quality and if the SIT played a major role in the data acquisition and the writing of the paper.

5. Nominations will be screened to ensure that the papers, nominators, and nominees meet the eligibility requirements for the award. The Editor-in-Chief will forward eligible papers to a review board comprised of Editorial Board members for the final selection.