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53rd Annual Meeting of the Society for Invertebrate Pathology

JUNE 28, 2021 - JULY 2, 2021

Award information

For the 2021 virtual meeting, the Society for Invertebrate Pathology has decided to organize competitions for the **Mauro Martignoni Award**, the **Early Career Award** and for the **Best Student Oral Presentation**.

Mauro Martignoni Award

PhD students that are in an advanced stage of their PhD can apply for the **Mauro Martignoni Award**. The rules and requirements for application are indicated here, and the **<u>deadline</u>** for submission is **<u>April</u> <u>10, 2021</u>**.

Early Career Award

Scientists in the early stage of their career (including post-docs) can apply for the **Early Career Award**. The rules and requirements for submission are indicated here, and the <u>deadline</u> for submission is <u>April</u> <u>10, 2021</u>.

Best Student Oral Presentation Award

Students (PhD, MSc, BSc) can compete for the **Best Student Oral Presentation Award** at the annual meeting. The competition is open to all student presenters. The rules and requirements for participating in this competition are indicated here, and the <u>deadline</u> for abstract submission is <u>April 20, 2021</u>.

Best Student Poster Presentation Award

Regretfully, the Best Poster Presentation Award competition has been cancelled for the 2021 virtual meeting of the Society for Invertebrate Pathology.

Chris J. Lomer Memorial Award

The competition for the Chris J. Lomer Memorial Award has been cancelled for this year's virtual meeting.

Division Travel Awards

The competition for the Division travel awards have been cancelled for this year's virtual meeting.

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The SIP Early Career Award

The Council of the Society of Invertebrate Pathology has created an Early Career Award to recognize outstanding contributions from invertebrate pathologists who are in the early stage of their scientific/academic career. The winner of this award will receive an official certificate that will be awarded during the Society's Annual Meeting. SIP council has allocated \$ 1250 (U.S. dollars) for this award.

Early career scientists are **eligible** for this award if they meet the following requirements:

- The nominee has made significant contributions to the field of invertebrate pathology through research, teaching, and/or outreach after completion of his/her PhD research.
- The PhD degree of the nominee must have been granted no more than eight years prior to the submission deadline for this award.
- The nominee is a current member of SIP and has been a member for at least the past two years. Nominees with active involvement in the society (e.g. has hold division positions, committee membership, meeting organization) will be viewed positively.

Early career scientists must be nominated for this award by an active member of the Society of Invertebrate Pathology. Self-nominations are **not** accepted. However, if an early career scientist considers to be eligible, this person may ask an SIP member in good standing for the nomination. The **deadline** for submission of the nominations is **April 10, 2020**. Candidates can apply multiple times (in different years) as long as long as they are eligible (see above) but can receive the award only once during their career.

For nominations the online submission form should be completed and the following documents should be submitted as **one single PDF:**

- The contact information of the nominator
- A nomination letter from an SIP member in good standing (maximum length 1200 words): This should contain a thorough but concise summary of the principal contributions of the nominee to the field of invertebrate pathology (research/teaching/outreach). The nomination letter should also summarize the candidate's future goals and the services that the nominee has provided to SIP.
- An endorsement letter from another regular SIP member, who has or has had a different professional relationship with the nominee (e.g. letters from two former dissertation supervisors will not be accepted). Both these letters should clearly describe the reason for the nomination and the nature of the professional relation to the nominee (if any).
- The nominee's CV (maximum 3 pages). This document should contain the nominee's current contact information, professional record, including the official date of the PhD degree,

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employment affiliations, list of prior awards, extramural grant

- records, SIP related activities, publications list.
- A proposed abstract for the presentation at the SIP meeting.

<u>Procedure</u>: Soon after the deadline the executive secretary will forward the nominations to the Award and Student Contest Committee, who's members will evaluate and select the best candidate. The Chair of the Award Committee will contact the winner and will verify the winner's attendance at the forthcoming annual meeting of the SIP. Once the winner has accepted the award, all nominators will be informed by the Chair of the Award Committee.

The winner of this award will be expected to give a 20 min oral presentation, followed by a 5 min discussion during the Annual Meeting. The nominator (or the respective division chair) will be required to give a 3-5 minutes laudation to introduce the award winner. Overall this presentation will be scheduled in the scientific program with a duration of 30 minutes (hence a double slot in a relevant contributed oral presentation sessions). The **abstract for this presentation also needs to be submitted separately to the meeting organizing** committee before the meeting's deadline (please indicate it is the early career award presentation).

Online Early Career Award application