

BACKGROUND

Initiated in 2015, the David Perlman Award recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the area of Industrial Fermentation, Process Development and/or Manufacturing. They should be visionaries, exhibit leadership qualities, and have pioneered efforts in industrial microbiology and/or biotechnology. While desirable, a strong publication or patent record is not to be used as the sole criteria for selection of the award winner since industrial "How To" publications are limited. For this award, "Excellence" should be defined, at least in part, as focused on the process and its commercial success. Also for the purpose of this award, Fermentation is broadly defined as "bioprocessing", to include the use of cells (or enzymes and other subcellular entities and organelles) regardless of source, e.g. bacteria, archaea, fungi, algae, mammalian, insect, etc., living or not, free or immobilized and "green technology" including retrofitting existing processes (organisms or enzymes) and de novo bioprocesses to achieve greater environmental sustainability.

QUALIFICATIONS

As evidenced by their CV and current list of publications, recipients should have made outstanding research contributions in industrial microbiology and/or biotechnology. While activities such as journal editing, organizing and chairing conferences, and serving scientific societies in official capacities may also be considered when judging their contributions towards research, the most important and overriding factor in selecting nominees for this Award is research accomplishments as evidenced by successful commercialization of the process.

OTHER

The nomination form must be accompanied by three separate letters of recommendation from peers in the relevant area of science. Letters must clearly state why the nominee deserves the award by citing at least two examples. Also required is a recent copy of the nominee's CV highlighting any specific awards or honors which are pertinent to receiving this award.

Successful candidates are required to present a plenary lecture at the RAFT® Meeting and the President must explain that with the notification. The award consists of a plaque and an honorarium of \$1000 which will be presented at the bi-annual RAFT® Meeting sponsored by the SOCIETY. The awardee's travel, meeting registration, meals and hotel expenses will be reimbursed by the SOCIETY. In the event that no nominations are received or if the nominees are judged to be unqualified either by the awards committee or the BOD, then no award will be given.

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NOMINEE INFORMATION (Please TYPE or PRINT.)

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEEDED

Please attach the following with this nomination form:

1. A 1–2-page letter from the nominator summarizing the nominee’s most significant and meritorious contributions, by citing at least two examples, to the area of Industrial Fermentation, Process Development and/or Manufacturing that led to commercial success, and example(s) of research and management leadership qualities supporting long-term vision. This letter should include:

- a.** a specific statement appropriate for inclusion on the plaque.
- b.** three relevant references that describe the research mentioned in the letter.

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- c.** at least two issued patents directly related to the bioprocess development and manufacturing of the technology that led to commercial success.
 - d.** any previous awards or distinctions given to the nominee
 - e.** names and addresses of two distinguished scientists and/or executives who are familiar with the work of the nominee
- 2.** Additional 1–2-page separate letters from co-sponsors summarizing the nominee’s most significant and meritorious contributions to the area of Industrial Fermentation, Process Development and/or Manufacturing.
 - 3.** A current copy of the nominee’s Curriculum Vitae.

NOMINATIONS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED BY EMAIL. EMAIL COMPLETED FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS BY AUGUST 18, 2023 TO:

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Society for Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology

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