

AACR-St. Baldrick's Foundation Award for Outstanding Achievement in Pediatric Cancer Research

AWARD PROGRAM GUIDELINES

AWARD SUMMARY

- The AACR in partnership with the St. Baldrick's Foundation established this special award in 2019 to bring attention to major research discoveries made by members of the pediatric cancer research community and to honor individuals such as yourself who has significantly contributed to any area of pediatric cancer research, resulting in the fundamental improvement of the understanding and/or treatment of pediatric cancer.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Pediatric cancer researcher affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or the cancer-related sciences in the U.S. or abroad may be nominated. Such institutions include those in academia, industry, or government.
- Candidates will be considered on the basis of their outstanding and innovative research which has had a major impact on the pediatric cancer field.
- The award may only be presented to an individual investigator.
- Institutions and/or organizations are not eligible to receive the award.

NOMINATION PROCESS

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science.
- Self-nominations are prohibited.
- Nominators must maintain strict confidentiality of their nominations. All nominations must be submitted using [AACR's electronic award nomination platform](#). If you do not have a myAACR account, you can create one at no cost. Paper nominations will not be accepted.
- Eligible nominations must include the following:
 - A nomination letter written in English (Max: 1,000 words), which comprehensively describes the candidate's outstanding and innovative research; and describes the candidate's current research activity and how their ongoing work demonstrates promise for continued substantive contributions to the cancer field and new directions in pediatric cancer research. All publications that directly support the mentioned research accomplishments must be referenced within the provided letter, and these references will not count toward the total word count.
 - A brief scientific citation (Max: 50 words) highlighting the major scientific contribution(s) justifying the award candidate's nomination.

AWARD SELECTION

- Eligible nominees will be considered by an award selection committee composed of an international cohort of cancer research experts appointed by the AACR President. After committee deliberations, primary and alternate award recipient recommendations will be relayed to the AACR Executive Committee for formal ratification.
- Selection of the award recipient shall be made on the basis of the candidate's scientific accomplishments without regard to race, gender, nationality, geographic location, or religious or political views.

INQUIRIES

- Please direct all inquiries pertaining to this award or any other AACR scientific achievement award to Rachel Mumma, Program Manager, Scientific Programs and Initiatives, at rachel.mumma@aacr.org or by phone at (215) 446-7180.

PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

2025 Charles G. Mullighan

2024 Ching-Hon Pui

2023 Olivier Delattre

2022 David Malkin

2021 Crystal L. Mackall

2020 James R. Downing