



The **Karen Campbell Award for Research Excellence** has been established to recognize and encourage overall research excellence, important research achievements, and research that has had significant impact on the understanding, future research and treatment of ovarian cancer. The award is made to a Canadian ovarian cancer researcher.

Award

The award consists of a commemorative art piece. In addition, the name of the Award winner will be displayed on a permanent wall plaque in the National Office of Ovarian Cancer Canada. The recipient may be recognized at an appropriate public event.

One award will be presented annually. In the event that nominations fail to meet the award criteria in a given year, the Selection Committee reserves the right not to grant an award in that year.

Eligibility

- Any Canadian researcher is eligible for nomination.
- Previous winners of this award are not eligible.
- Members of the Board of Directors of Ovarian Cancer Canada are eligible, however must be recused from any decision-making process for the Award.

Selection Committee

The composition of the Research Award Selection Committee is as follows:

- Two members of the Research Committee of Ovarian Cancer Canada.
- One individual from the group who have launched the Karen Campbell Award.
- The Karen Campbell Award winners from the two most recent competitions.

Members of the Research Award Selection Committee should not make or provide letters of support for nominations.

General Criteria

A nominee should be considered to be an excellent researcher, over a sustained period of time.

The criteria to be evaluated include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Research outputs (e.g., publications) and their quality and innovativeness.
- Impact of the research on society, and the understanding of ovarian cancer in the global community.
- The training and research opportunities provided by the nominee to highly qualified research personnel (e.g., undergraduate student researchers, graduate thesis students, post-doctoral researchers, technical support staff), and the role played by these personnel in the research.
- Demonstrated leadership in promoting research excellence by any means, which could include fostering research collaborations, creation of partnerships or resource development at a local or national level.

Nomination Procedure

Nominations should be submitted (electronically) to the Research Award Selection Committee, c/o Kelly Grover, Ovarian Cancer Canada.

Nominators must inform the nominee of their intention to submit a nomination and determine that the nominee is willing to let his or her name stand for the award.

There is no nomination form. Nominations should address each of the four general criteria listed in the previous section and should include the following supporting material:

- A covering letter from the nominator(s), outlining why the nominee merits the award. The letter should include the position and full contact information (email and mailing address, phone number) of the nominator(s);
- A standard curriculum vitae of the nominee;
- A statement (500 words maximum) by the nominee outlining his or her research and its societal and industrial impact;
- Up to three examples of research excellence and achievement (e.g., publications, patents) of the nominee;



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- Up to three letters of support, including:
 - At least one letter of support from a referee who is highly knowledgeable about the field of research of the nominee;
 - At least one letter of support from a present or former colleague, who is involved in or knowledgeable about the research of the nominee.

Deadline for Nominations and Selection Process

For the current competition, the deadline for submission of the complete nomination package is **Monday January 9, 2017**. The Selection Committee will meet to consider all nominations received by the deadline. The committee will review all nominations for evidence of research excellence according to the above criteria. Nominees will be notified of their status when deliberations of the committee are completed. The winner will be announced by January 31, 2017.

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