

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE SCIENCE HALL OF FAME



FY 2014 AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

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**Agricultural Research Service
2014 Science Hall of Fame
Criteria and Nomination**

PURPOSE

ARS annually recognizes outstanding scientists who, through their ARS research, have made widely recognized impact on food and agriculture and who serve or have served as role models for other scientists. Scientists of this stature have made extraordinary career accomplishments that have paved the way for further research in an area of agricultural science and/or have significantly influenced the development of science-based agriculture programs and policy, nationally and/or internationally.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominations may be made of former ARS scientists who retired or left the agency in the past 10 years. Current employees must be retirement eligible. A nomination may not be submitted more than twice in three consecutive years. ARS scientists that have also served in program leadership and executive positions may be nominated based upon their personal science contributions and scientific stature. Scientists who are deceased may be nominated and recognized posthumously. Team nominations will not be accepted.

SELECTION CRITERIA

<p><i>Nominations must address the following criteria:</i></p> <p>Outstanding Science – original science discovery and contributions reflecting high levels of creativity and innovation.</p> <p>Impact on Agriculture - by developing a solution to a significant agricultural problem through research; application of science for beneficial outcome.</p> <p>Impact on Research – science accomplishments and stature that continue to lead or influence the direction of the agricultural research community and/or influence the development of science-based agriculture policy.</p>	<p>Recognition to ARS - achievements that have brought major recognition and credibility to ARS and/or USDA.</p> <p>National and/or International Recognition - by his/her peers in the scientific community, including external award recognition.</p> <p><i>Additionally, nominations may address:</i></p> <p>Continued Professional Service – post retirement professional activities including serving as a role model or mentor for other scientists.</p>
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NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURES

Any ARS employee may submit a nomination of a scientist. Nominations must fully support the accomplishments, achievements, and impact of the scientist. Letters of reference will not be accepted. The nomination format is attached.

Nominations must be forwarded through the appropriate Area Office or the Associate Administrator for National Programs, for purposes of establishing eligibility, and ensuring completeness of supporting documentation, prior to submitting to the Human Resources Division. Nominations are due to the Human Resources Division by April 18, 2014. Each Area may submit no more than three nominations.

The Administrator may appoint a diverse committee composed of subject matter experts from the following categories to assist in the evaluation of the nominations and to make recommendations. Final selections are made by the Administrator.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Member from the Office of the Secretary’s Staff 2. Agency Administrator within USDA 3. Deputy Administrator, National Programs 4. ARS science manager 5. Senior scientist from the academic community | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Current ARS Distinguished Scientist of the Year 7. Member of the ARS Hall of Fame 8. Senior scientist or technical representative from the private sector 9. Retired ARS scientist/manager |
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Science Hall of Fame (HOF)

Nomination Form

ARS annually recognizes outstanding scientists who, through their ARS research, have made widely recognized impact on food and agriculture and who serve or have served as role models for other scientists.

NOMINEE INFORMATION

NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ RETIREMENT DATE: _____

PERSONAL & BUSINESS TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____ EMAIL: _____

NOMINEE HISTORY

PREVIOUS AWARDS: (*Award title and Date*)

CITATION: (*25 words or less, beginning with "For"*)

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Justification: (The justification *must specifically address each of the selection criteria* and should fully support scientific accomplishments, and impact. *Limit of no more than 3 pages with no less than 11 point font, standard spacing and at least 1 inch margins*).

- Outstanding Science
- Impact on Research
- National and/or International Recognition
- Impact on Agriculture
- Recognition to ARS

OPTIONAL: Continued Professional Service

NOMINATORS INFORMATION

NOMINATOR'S NAME: _____ NOMINATOR'S TITLE: _____

NOMINATOR'S ADDRESS: (*Include Area/Branch/Location*) _____

NOMINATOR'S TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____ EMAIL: _____

NOMINATOR'S SIGNATURE: _____

NAME OF AREA DIRECTOR: _____ SIGNATURE: _____