



Call for nominations for the IFSM awards 2018

The IFSM awarded the first John Cowley Medal at the International Microscopy Congress in 2006. In 2012, the IFSM Executive Committee created three new awards, which now complement the John Cowley Medal and provide a broad coverage of the different fields of microscopy. With the present call, we ask to solicit nominations for the IFSM Awards which will be presented in 2018 at the International Microscopy Congress to be held in Sydney, Australia.

The awards are devoted to the following four areas/fields upon which the award definition will be based:

- i. Diffraction Physics and Microscopy
- ii. New Developments in Optics and Instrumentation
- iii. Applications in Physical Sciences
- iv. Applications in Life Sciences

Following the order of the fields listed above, the awards are named after four internationally recognized pioneers in microscopy:

- i. The John Cowley Medal
- ii. The Vernon Cosslett Medal
- iii. The Hatsujiro Hashimoto Medal
- iv. The Eduard Kellenberger Medal

The awards honour the outstanding contributions of individual scientists and their achievements in the field of microscopy and related techniques. The award cannot be divided: for each award a single nominee has to be selected.

Nominations can be made by all national and regional societies and by individuals with expertise in the field. Self-nominations are not accepted. Recommendation letters should be accompanied by a short description/motivation of the nomination (max 1/2 page).

The four awardees will receive the award in the form of a medal and a financial prize at the International Microscopy Congress following their selection. Each awardee will be honoured by a short *laudatio* and shall deliver an invited talk at the IFSM Symposium during the IMC congress.

The deadline for the receipt of nominations for the IMC 2018 is June 30, 2017.