International Prize for Biology

Committee on the INTERNATIONAL PRIZE FOR BIOLOGY

Japan Society for the Promotion of Science 5-3-1 Kojimachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-0083, Japan

February 2, 2015

Dear Sir / Madam,

The International Prize for Biology was instituted in April of 1985 by the Committee on the International Prize for Biology. From its establishment, the Prize has commemorated the 60-year reign of Emperor Showa and his longtime devotion to biological research. Now it also pays tribute to the present Emperor, His Majesty, Emperor Akihito, who has striven for many years to advance the study of gobioid fish taxonomy, while contributing continuously to the development of this Prize. The award ceremony will be held in the presence of His Majesty, the Emperor. The Prize, consisting of a medal and an award of 10-million yen (Approx. US\$83,300 at \tilde{1}20/dollar, as of January 1st), is given to the selected recipient on an auspicious day in autumn every year.

The Committee has chosen "Cell Biology" as the specialty for the 2015 Prize. For further details please refer to the enclosed leaflet.

In this selected field of Biology, I would like to invite you to nominate a candidate for the 2015 Prize by filling out the enclosed Nomination Form, to be accompanied by a brief statement of the nominee's achievements. Please mail or email them to us no later than April 15, 2015. Our addresses are as follows:

Dr. Yoshinori Fujiyoshi Chair, Selection Committee for the International Prize for Biology c/o Japan Society for the Promotion of Science 5-3-1 Kojimachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-0083, Japan Email: ip-biology@jsps.go.jp

You may also download the "Nomination Form" from our website (http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-biol/index.html).

If you submit your nomination by email, please use the downloaded nomination form and attach a brief statement of the nominee's achievements.

Thank you in advance for your kind cooperation and excellent nomination.

Sincerely yours,

Takashi Sugimura

Chair

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The 2015(31st) International Prize for Biology

Calling for Nominations

This year's research field: Cell Biology

Please access to: http://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-biol

Deadline: April 15, 2015

- The International Prize for Biology was established in 1985 to commemorate the 60-year reign of Emperor Showa and his longtime devotion to biological research.
- The Prize is awarded each year to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of basic research in a field of biology.
- The Prize shall consist of a medal and a prize of 10 million yen.

Recent Years Prize Winners



2014
Prof. Sir Peter Crane FRS
(Systematic Biology and
Taxonomy)



2013 Dr. Joseph Felsenstein (Biology of Evolution)



2012 Dr. Joseph Altman (Neurobiology)

