



## THE BVA ADVANCEMENT OF VETERINARY SCIENCE AWARD (DALRYMPLE-CHAMPNEYS CUP AND MEDAL) - CRITERIA FOR CITATIONS

The Award Selection Committee invites nominations for the 2025 Award

The BVA Advancement of Veterinary Science Award (Dalrymple-Champneys Cup and Medal) is presented to a member of the British Veterinary Association to mark and recognise work of outstanding merit which, it is considered, will encourage the advancement of veterinary science and medicine.

### Eligibility criteria

Nominees must be BVA members. The Award shall be made to the author of work which is considered to be of outstanding merit, pertaining to any branch of veterinary science. The Award shall also be open to those who have done work which has not been published, or have undertaken other activities which are considered to have encouraged the advancement - and dissemination of knowledge - of veterinary science and medicine.

### Who can nominate?

Nominations can be made by BVA members or BVA divisions.

### How to nominate

Nominations should be presented using the nomination form under the following headings:

- **supporting statement** summarising the nominee's most distinctive contribution to the advancement of veterinary science (max 100 words);
- **significant contributions** to the advancement of knowledge in veterinary science and medicine citing the ten most significant refereed publications with an indication of what each publication contributed; or up to ten most significant other scientific contributions; or a combination of both up to a maximum of ten, which enhance the reputation of veterinary science.
- **A short curriculum vitae** (maximum 2 pages) should also be submitted.

**Nominations for the Award must be submitted [online](#) no later than 12pm on Monday 2 June 2025.**

### What will the committee be looking for?

Some nominees may have only very limited refereed publications but may have contributed significantly in identifying - and disseminating knowledge of - some important clinical or scientific condition or its associations.

In assessing the nominations for this award, the judges may consider:

- **Quality and volume of contributions made** – eg the number of papers published in reputable journals
- **Breadth of contributions** – eg work which goes wider than research papers, such as efforts to disseminate the knowledge gained
- **Uniqueness of contributions** – ie how much of the work can be attributed to the individual rather than a wider team
- **Scale of impact on the veterinary profession and/or animal welfare** – importance of topic and improvements this had led to

However well-known the nominee may be in a particular field of expertise, the nominator should assume that their candidate may be unknown to the Selection Committee.

### Unsuccessful nominations

Please note that unsuccessful nominations, provided they have been accepted as suitable for consideration by the Committee, may automatically be carried forward for the next two years without the requirement for annual updating. Nominators, however, would be invited to update their nomination form if they so wished. Thereafter nominations could be updated and resubmitted for consideration. Nominations are confidential, and so nominees are not contacted unless they receive the award.