

# National Association of Plant Breeders

## EARLY CAREER AWARD

The Early Career Award recognizes an early career scientist who is active in the plant breeding field. Applicants should exhibit the ability to establish strong research foundations (experimental techniques, publications, etc.), to interact with multidisciplinary teams, and to participate in professional societies relevant to their discipline. The nominee must have obtained their PhD after December 31, 2007.

For additional information, please see the awards announcement: <https://www.plantbreeding.org/awards>

Deadline for submission: June 2, 2017 (5:00pm Pacific time)

Nomination Package (*PDF format*)

### 1. Nomination Letter (minimal requirements listed below, 2-page limit)

- Synopsis of nominee's professional merits and work history
- Relationship of nominator to nominee (e.g., member of department, chair of department, professional colleague)
- Statement of the nominee's professional contributions and achievements related to the field of plant breeding (innovative techniques, variety and germplasm developments, impact within industry)
- Contact information of nominator and nominee

### 2. Curriculum Vitae (minimal requirements listed below)

- Name, title, employer, work address
- Professional preparation: Degrees, institutions, and dates
- Professional history: Job titles, employers, places, and dates
- Grants, Awards and Honors
- Publications: Include all relevant refereed and non-refereed publications as well as patents, PVP's, and cultivar and germplasm releases.

### 3. Letters of Support

- Each nomination should include 2-5 signed letters of support submitted as PDF files, 1-2 pages each.
- Each letter should include the author's email address and telephone number

#### **EMAIL NOMINATION PDFs TO:**

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## POST-AWARD EXPECTATIONS

*After being notified of their selection, the award recipient should submit the following items for use at the annual meeting, for press releases and announcements.*

- a. **Professional sketch:** 200-300 words about institutional affiliation and scope of previous and ongoing research (suitable for use in announcements)
- b. **Digital images of Awardee:** Several non-copyrighted, high-resolution digital images of the nominee in a common image format (e.g., jpg, tiff, png), including: [a] professional posed image and [b] action photo showing the awardee at work as a plant breeder.