

# Royal Society Research Culture Award Terms and Conditions 2021/22

## Introduction

This document sets out the conditions under which Royal Society Research Culture Awards are offered. Enquiries about the award should be forwarded to: [awards@royalsociety.org](mailto:awards@royalsociety.org)

## General

1. Awarded to an individual or team for outstanding and sustained work in the improvement of the research system/research culture.
2. Teams will be considered where each member has made an individual and clearly identifiable contribution or upon the recommendation of an individual award winner.
3. The Joint Awards Committee will look broadly for evidence of the improvement of scientific working culture when reviewing the nominations.
4. The prize will be awarded annually, unless in the judgement of the Joint Awards Committee, no suitable candidate has been nominated.
5. The prize is open to individuals with or without a PhD.
6. The prize is not open to those who are members of the Council of the Royal Society at the time the award is decided, nor to members of the Joint Awards Committee at the time the Committee scores the nominations or makes its recommendation to the Council.
7. The nomination of a candidate is made by a proposer via the Society's online system. Nominators should make nominees aware of their nomination. Self-nomination is not acceptable.
8. A nomination remains valid for three award cycles (three years); under exceptional circumstances the committee may decide that a nomination can remain valid for a fourth year. An unsuccessful candidate may be re-nominated after a gap of one year. Previous winners may not be nominated again.
9. The scientific topics covered by the support undertaken by the nominated individual can be any science or technical discipline within the remit of the Royal Society.
10. The prize is open to citizens of the UK or a Commonwealth country, or those who have been ordinarily resident and working in the UK or a Commonwealth country for a minimum of three years immediately prior to being nominated.
11. The award consists of a bronze medal, a commemorative scroll, and a gift of £2,000.