



2020 ROI Publication Award Call for Nominations

Eligibility and Criteria

The ROI Publication Award recognizes the best scientific work by an early career investigator in one of the priority areas for radiation oncology that form the ROI's research agenda: communication, safety and quality, toxicity management, comparative effectiveness and value. Using either qualitative or quantitative techniques, articles may present, analyze, and comment on new data, or may synthesize and analyze data that have already been collected.

- An article or a collection of articles resulting from a single study in one of the ROI's priority research areas are eligible for the award.
- Special consideration will be given to articles that produce new insights and have the potential to change current thinking.
- Articles must have been published in a peer-reviewed journal with a publication date between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 even if it is actually printed at a later date.
- The lead author of the article receives the award and must be a resident, fellow or within 10 years of completing their terminal training program.
- Articles will be scored on importance of key issue/focus, advancement of knowledge in the field, and new insights.

How to Apply

- Complete the online nomination form by **July 2, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern** using the ROI portal on proposalCENTRAL.
- Nominations must include a copy of the article(s).
- Nominators must be a member of the American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO). Self-nominations are accepted.
- A brief statement (up to one page) supporting the nomination is required. Be sure to:
 - Emphasize how the research published in the manuscript aligns with the ROI's research agenda and one or more of the priority areas for radiation oncology: communication, safety and quality, toxicity management, comparative effectiveness and value.
 - Describe the impact that the research findings will have on the field of radiation oncology as a whole.
 - Explain how the \$5,000 award would be used to advance the lead author's current research that builds upon the work in the nominated manuscript.

Award Selection

- Each manuscript will be evaluated by at least two qualified ROI reviewers and then considered by the ROI Research Committee and the ROI Board of Trustees to determine the Award Winner and Honorable Mentions.
- No individual who is an author on a manuscript submitted for consideration may participate in the selection process for determining the ROI Publication Award.
- Manuscripts from the same institution or organization will not be evaluated by members of the ROI Board of Trustees or the ROI Research Committee from that institution or organization.

Recognition

The ROI Publication Award will be presented at the ASTRO Annual Meeting. The Award Winner will be featured in a variety of promotional materials, including the ROI's e-newsletter *The Visionary*, the ROI booth and presentations at the Annual Meeting, and social media. The lead author will receive a \$5,000 grant to be used on research that will build upon the work in the award-winning manuscript.

Funds may be used to support project staff salaries and benefits, consultant fees, data management, supplies and other direct expenses. Equipment purchases are allowed with sufficient justification.

A maximum of two Publication Award Honorable Mentions will also be recognized at the ASTRO Annual Meeting and in the promotional materials.