**APPLICATION FORM**

**FAOBMB EDUCATION AWARD (2025)**

**Applicant’s details**

*[Applicant must have been a member of an FAOBMB constituent member Society or Group for at least the previous 2 years]*

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| Name |  |
| Address |  |
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| Telephone |  |
| Email |  |

Constituent Society of which the Applicant is a member:

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This question is to be answered by the Applicant.

If selected for the Award, I agree to present my research as either a pre-recorded lecture and a live online session or in person during the 31st FAOBMB Conference in Busan, Republic of Korea to take place during 20 - 23 May 2025.

**Signature of Applicant: Date:**

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DD/MMM/YEAR

**Supporters’ details**

*[All three Supporters must advise the Secretary General of FAOBMB by email of their support for this applicant AND* ***forward a confidential reference*** *by the deadline of****15 November 2024****.*

*At least* ***two*** *of the supporters must have been members of an FAOBMB constituent member society or group for the past two years.]*

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| **Supporter 1** |  |
| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| Email |  |

**Constituent Society of which Supporter 1 is member:**

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| **Supporter 2** |  |
| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| Email |  |

**Constituent Society of which Supporter 2 is member:**

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| **Supporter 3** |  |
| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| Email |  |

**Constituent Society of which Supporter 3 is member (if applicable):**

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**Submission of Application**

The completed Application Form and Application Details should be saved as a single pdf file  
(file name: 2025\_FAOBMB\_Education Award\_Applicant Surname.pdf)

This file is to be sent by email to Secretary General of FAOBMB, Professor Sheila Nathan (sheilanathan2023@gmail.com) no later than ***15 November 2024.***

The FAOBMB Award Winners will be notified and listed on the FAOBMB website before 1 February 2025.

**The FAOBMB reserves the right not to declare a winner of the Education Award if a suitable candidate is not found in any one year.**

**Further Information:**

For enquiry on the FAOBMB Education Award, please write to:

Secretary General of FAOBMB

Professor Sheila Nathan

Email: sheilanathan2023@gmail.com

Chair of the FAOBMB Education Committee  
Associate Professor Nirma Samarawickrema

Email: nirma.samarawickrema@monash.edu

**NOTES FOR APPLICANTS**

*The FAOBMB Education Award rewards outstanding achievement in education in biochemistry or molecular biology, especially innovation and creativity in education, with a view to fostering leadership in this important area of the FAOBMB activities. The recipient will receive complimentary registration to the FAOBMB annual scientific conference and will present a lecture, probably within the Education Symposium at the 31st FAOBMB Conference in Busan, Republic of Korea.*

**APPLICATION**

A. Formatting: A4 paper, double-spacing and 12 point Times New Roman font.

**Any application failing to comply with formatting requirements and maximum specified space limits (see below) will be removed from further consideration**.

B. Supporters: Each applicant must ask three supporters to each provide a **confidential reference** by email directly to the Secretary General.

The report by each Supporter is to contain an evaluation of the Applicant’s achievements in the various areas of educational contributions, including scholarship and research, in terms of the selection criteria for the Award.

Each report must be sent by email to the Secretary General of FAOBMB,  
Professor Sheila Nathan (sheilanathan2023@gmail.com) no later than ***15 November 2024.***

C. Application Details: Applicants should submit their Application containing their details, numbered in the following order, and **not exceeding the maximum specified space limits**.

1. Application Form. *The form on the previous pages should be presented as the front pages of the application, with all sections completed.*

2. Applicant’s educational qualifications.

3. Applicant’s previous and current appointments and positions.

4. Applicant’s previous achievements, honors and awards.

5. Statement. **[maximum 4 pages]**

*In this Statement, you should set out your achievements relevant to the purposes of the FAOBMB Education Award. In each case, address the selection criteria listed on the following page.*

6. Complete list of the applicant’s publications (can be single spaced).

*List published research papers, reviews, books, book chapters and conference papers. List separately those publications which are of special significance for education. (These lists should not include abstracts unless they are of special significance for education).*

7. Any other evidence that you feel will enhance your case **[maximum 1 page]**

**Assessment Areas**

Candidates for the FAOBMB Education Award will be assessed on the basis of evidence that supports their claims against four broad criteria*:*

[1] Teaching philosophy and methods.

[2] Personal teaching performance, quality and outcomes.

[3] Biochemistry and Molecular Biology research and teaching: evidence of involvement in research (education, scientific or both).

[4] External role, peer review and influence beyond host department/institution.

**Within these four broad areas, candidates may wish to consider some or all of the following, as relevant examples of areas of achievement and engagement:**

* Interest and enthusiasm for undertaking teaching and for promoting student learning.
* Ability to arouse curiosity, and to stimulate independent learning and the development of critical thought.
* Ability to organise course material and to present it cogently and imaginatively.
* Command of the subject matter, including the incorporation in teaching of recent developments in the field of study.
* Innovation in the design and delivery of content and course materials.
* Provision of appropriate assessment, including the provision of worthwhile feedback to students on their learning.
* Ability to assist students from equity groups (i.e. under-privileged or with limited opportunities) to participate and achieve success in their courses.
* Professional and systematic approach to teaching development.
* Participation in professional activities and research related to teaching.
* Engagement with international educational developments and projects, particularly in the FAOBMB region.