INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF HYPERTENSION
AWARDS AND PRIZES REGULATIONS

By Article VII of the Constitution of the International Society of Hypertension (the ‘Society’) the Council have determined to make the following terms and conditions on which nominations for awards and prizes will be accepted and the basis on which awards and prizes will be granted (the ‘Awards and Prizes Regulations’).

These Awards and Prizes Regulations shall replace all previous Awards and Prizes Regulations and shall take effect on 27th April 2022.

Signed for an on behalf of the Council by Professor Maciej Tomaszewski (authorised signatory)

1. Annual or Biennial Awards and Prizes

1.1 The Society will make a number of awards and prizes on an annual or biennial basis subject to the availability of funds and receipt of eligible nominations.

1.2 ISH committees and groups might propose awards for Society events, based on the prior approval of the ISH Awards, Executive and Finance Committees.

Awards based on nominations to be presented at the time of the ISH Biennial Scientific Meetings

2. ISH Franz Volhard Award and Lectureship for Outstanding Research

2.1 This award and lectureship was originally endowed by Farbwerke Hoechst in 1972 to commemorate the centenary of the birth of Franz Volhard. The ISH currently sponsors this Award.

2.2 The award shall be made to a person or persons who, in the opinion of the Awards Committee of the Society, shall have initiated in the field of hypertension or in a related discipline, a concept which remains of current interest.

2.3 The recipient shall be invited to deliver to the Society a lecture at the Biennial Scientific Meeting on the topic for which the award is bestowed. Award nominators must clearly state the concept that the nominee has initiated which remains of current interest and provide supporting evidence.
3. **ISH Robert Tigerstedt Lifetime Achievement Award**

3.1 This award was originally endowed by Merck Sharp & Dohme International in 1974. The ISH currently sponsors this Award.

3.2 The award shall be presented on the recommendation of the Awards Committee of the Society to a person, persons or institution responsible for distinguished work relating to the aetiology, epidemiology, pathology or treatment of high blood pressure.

3.3 The achievements of the recipient should reflect distinguished contributions in research, teaching or clinical activities and successful mentorship of younger colleagues.

4. **ISH Developing World Award**

4.1 This award is for a researcher in the developing world (resource poor countries, zones and territories defined by HINARI) who has done outstanding work in the region.

5. **ISH Paul Korner Award**

5.1 This award was endowed, and continues to be funded, by the High Blood Pressure Research Foundation of Australia in 2013 to honour the late Paul Korner (internationally renowned expert in the field of hypertension with a special interest in the neuroscience of blood pressure).

5.2 The award shall be presented to a person who has demonstrated outstanding contributions to research on hypertension in the broad field of neuroscience.

6. **ISH Honorary Fellow Awards**

6.1 Individuals who have not been Professional Members of the Society but have made extraordinary contributions to the Society or the field of hypertension, in providing long and continuous support of research or of the other activities of the Society, may be nominated to be Honorary Fellows.

7. **ISH Distinguished Fellow Awards**

7.1 Members who have given outstanding service to the ISH and have made unusually distinguished contributions to experimental and clinical research in hypertension may be nominated to be Distinguished Fellows of the Society.

8. **ISH Award of Excellence for Research in Cardiovascular Health and Disease in Women**

8.1 The ISH Women in Hypertension Research Committee established this award in 2018 to recognise and encourage research in cardiovascular health and disease in women.
8.2 This award shall be made to a person who, in the opinion of the ISH Awards Committee, has demonstrated a track record of excellent research in the field of cardiovascular health and disease in women and contributed significantly to advancing knowledge in this area.

9. ISH Honour for Senior Women Researchers

9.1 ISH women members who have given outstanding service to the ISH and / or made exceptionally distinguished contributions to experimental and clinical research in hypertension may be nominated to receive an ISH Honour for Senior Women Researchers.

10. ISH Mid-Career Award for Women Researchers

10.1 The ISH Women in Hypertension Research Committee established this award in 2018 to recognise, encourage and inspire women in science and medicine in the field of hypertension and related cardiovascular diseases.

10.2 This award will be given to recognise a woman researcher who is in a mid-career position, 35-45 years of age or 10 full years after postgraduate qualifications.

11. Eligibility of Awardees

11.1 Nominations will only be accepted for ISH members, with the exception of the ISH Paul Korner and ISH Honorary Fellow Awards.

11.2 Nominations for previous winners of ISH awards (detailed in points 2, 3, 4, 5 and 8 of this document) are not normally received but might be considered if there is an outstanding independent case for that individual.

11.3 Current ISH Council members, Awards Committee members, committee and group chairs will not be eligible to receive awards. Members of committees other than those mentioned above may be eligible to receive awards, at the discretion of the ISH Awards Committee (unless winners of previous ISH awards – detailed in points 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8 of this document).

11.4 Award recipients will normally be required to accept awards in person during the ISH Biennial Scientific Meetings. If the meeting is held in a virtual or hybrid format, remote acceptance of the award and delivering of award lectures (where appropriate) may be acceptable subject to the approval of the Awards Committee.

12. How to make a nomination

To nominate an individual, the following information should be provided in writing:

12.1 A completed nomination form that will include the information below.

- Who is nominated (self-nomination is not acceptable)
For which award is the nomination
Justification for nomination
Name and affiliation of primary and secondary sponsors who are both members of the ISH
Confirmation that the nominee has agreed to be nominated

12.2 Supporting documentation demonstrating nominee’s eligibility.

12.3 A copy of the nominee’s curriculum vitae – to be submitted electronically to the Chair of the ISH Awards Committee.

12.4 Those making award nominations must be current ISH members.

12.5 All communication should be addressed to the Chair of the ISH Awards Committee. Email: secretariat@ish-world.com

Awards based on abstract submissions for the ISH Biennial Scientific Meetings

13. ISH Austin Doyle Award

13.1 This award was established to make the contribution of Austin Doyle, Past President of the Society and Founding Chairman of the High Blood Pressure Research Council of Australia.

13.2 It will be awarded to a graduate, who is within five years of post-graduate qualification.

13.3 The finalists will be selected from among eligible presenters on the basis of the abstract scores allocated for oral presentations.

13.4 The winner will be selected from shortlisted presentations relevant to clinical medicine by a judging panel consisting of representatives of the Awards Committee, or their representative(s), in an open competition during the Biennial Scientific Meeting.

13.5 The winner must be willing to join the ISH as a member (if not already a member) following receipt of the award. Previous winners of this award are not eligible for nomination a second time.

14. ISH New Investigator Oral and Poster Presentation Awards

14.1 These awards were established in 2012 to encourage new investigators and recognise excellence in scientific contribution and are administered by the Awards Committee, with input from the New Investigator Committee.

14.2 They will be awarded at the Biennial Scientific Meetings of the Society to new investigators judged from a group of finalists to have given the best oral and poster presentations at the Biennial Scientific Meetings of the Society.
14.3 The finalists will be selected from among eligible presenters on the basis of scores of their abstracts allocated to oral and poster presentation sessions.

14.4 The presenters must be new investigators undertaking a research higher degree or within ten years of graduation with a doctoral or equivalent qualification.

14.5 The finalists must provide evidence of their research higher degree student status, or the date of their graduation in advance of the Biennial Scientific Meetings.

14.6 The winners will be selected by the Awards Committee, or their representative(s), in an open competition during the Biennial Scientific Meetings.