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## **BIOTECCanada Gold Leaf Awards 2023**

### **Sponsor**

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### **Program**

BIOTECCanada Gold Leaf Awards

### **Description**

Launched in 2001, the Gold Leaf awards are given annually to recognize both companies and individuals who have made significant contributions to the biotech industry in Canada. The Awards' importance to the recipients and the industry more broadly has grown significantly over the years. The remarkable individuals and companies we recognize through the Gold Leaf Awards are great examples of the core strengths of Canada's biotech ecosystem.

Importantly, Canada's global biotech success is founded in its ability to advance scientific innovation by leveraging a diverse and vibrant ecosystem comprised of individuals, companies and institutions located in every province across the country. It is this strength that establishes Canada's biotech industry as a leader in developing the solutions that will help address the global social and economic challenges emerging from population growth and a changing climate.

These remarkable individuals and companies serve to demonstrate the value of innovation, leadership and how biotechnology is delivering solutions to the many pressing environmental, health and economic challenges society is grappling with as a result of global population growth. The various clusters of excellence throughout Canada where biotechnology is thriving showcase the very best we have on offer. The biotech ecosystem is building globally competitive Canadian companies. Biotechnology is becoming more central to supporting the economic and environmental transformation of Canada's traditional economic cornerstone and job-intensive industries, namely: forestry; energy; mining; agriculture; aerospace; manufacturing and resource management. Biotechnology innovation will support these sectors as they transform and compete in the emerging global bio-economy.

Awards:

- Ecosystem Builder
- Industry Catalyst

- Emerging Company
- Innovation in Biotech Research
- Game-Changing Technology
- Company of the Year

**Program details and timeline are not yet confirmed. This information will be updated when the program launches.**

## Eligibility

### Ecosystem Builder

Recognizing the many players involved in attracting investment, commercialize innovation, and establish globally competitive Canadian companies that will provide long term, highly skilled employment opportunities for Canadians. An ecosystem builder will be an organization or company who has distinguished itself through its contributions to Canadian communities beyond their respective business and economic impact. The respective nominee demonstrates leadership, showing significant contributions to the Canadian biotech ecosystem through their engagement and responsibility.

### Industry Catalyst

An individual or group of individuals have challenged the status quo, broken down barriers, and re-written the rules for their biotech business. Their dedication and everyday actions are leading the biotech revolution. Respected by people inside and outside their organizations, these individuals are viewed as true innovators.

### Emerging Company

(1 Health, 1 Agriculture/Industrial)

Small and mid-sized pre-commercial companies who have distinguished themselves from the competition with demonstrated effort. Through technology advances and business milestones, these companies will have contributed to the Canadian biotech landscape.

### Innovation in Biotech Research

There is incredible energy being catalyzed throughout Canadian Universities and research labs. Geared to an emerging researcher under 30 years of age. This award is designed to engage creativity and enhance opportunity. Research is the foundation for the solutions our industry is developing.

### Game-Changing Technology

The industry is discovering solutions to the world's pressing challenges. There is a paradigm shift underway where we require new ways to feed and fuel a growing world demand. This category will recognize nominees who have reached milestones such as discovery, investment, regulatory, development, market access, or unique business model.

### Company of the Year

This award recognizes a Canadian biotech company that has distinguished itself from its peers with strong overall performance as a company, demonstrated leadership and shown significant achievement. It will have reached milestones in terms of financing, product introduction, and / or partnerships during the year that has allowed the company to be recognized as a leader. The

company will have established a solid foundation for a strong and diverse pipeline, and impressive potential for sales and earnings.

**The nominee must not have received this award within the previous five years and must meet the criteria for each award.**

## Special Notes

Please note that research activities carried out in the context of COVID-19 need to adhere to the University of Guelph COVID-19 research principles, policies, guidelines and processes as they may be updated from time to time and communicated on the [Office of Research web-page](#) [1].

## Deadlines

**If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.**

Type	Date	Notes
<b>Internal Deadline</b>	Friday, June 17, 2022 - 5:00pm	<p>If you wish to be considered for VPR nomination:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. We recommend discussing your interest in this award with your College Research Manager and Associate Dean (Research).</li><li>2. Complete the <a href="#">Expression of Interest document</a> [2].</li><li>3. Send the completed Expression of Interest document and a CV to <a href="mailto:research.honours@uoguelph.ca">research.honours@uoguelph.ca</a> [3] and copy your College Research Manager.</li></ol> <p>Career interruptions due to parental leave, family care, extended illness, or community responsibilities will not negatively impact the committee's assessment of a</p>

Type	Date	Notes
<b>External Deadline</b>	Saturday, December 10, 2022 - 4:00pm	candidate's research productivity. These will be taken into consideration when EOIs are assessed.  If your nomination will be submitted by a nominator other than the VPR, please submit directly to the sponsor by the external deadline. Please also submit a copy of the full nomination and OR-5 to <a href="mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca">research.services@uoguelph.ca</a> [4].

## How to Apply

The Vice-President (Research) encourages nominations for this prestigious award, and will serve as nominator for those nominees recommended by the Honours and Awards Advisory Committee. If you wish to nominate a colleague or to be considered for VPR nomination:

1. We recommend discussing your interest in this award with your College Research Manager and Associate Dean (Research).
2. Complete the [Expression of Interest document](#) [2].
3. Send the completed Expression of Interest document and a CV to [research.honours@uoguelph.ca](mailto:research.honours@uoguelph.ca) [3] and copy your College Research Manager by the internal deadline.

Career interruptions due to parental leave, family care, extended illness, or community responsibilities will not negatively impact the committee's assessment of a candidate's research productivity. These will be taken into consideration when EOIs are assessed.

If your nomination will be submitted by a different nominee, and therefore does not require the Vice-President's endorsement, please submit a complete nomination and signed OR-5 to [research.services@uoguelph.ca](mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca) [4] by the external deadline.

## For More Information

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[4] <mailto:research.services@uoguelph.ca?subject=BIOTECanada%20Gold%20Leaf%20Awards%202023>

[5] <http://www.biotech.ca/about/gold-leaf-award-categories-nomination-form/>