

Copley Medal 2025

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Description

The Copley Medal is the Royal Society's oldest and most prestigious award. The medal is awarded for outstanding achievements in research in any branch of science. In 2025, the Copley Medal will be awarded for the **physical sciences**.

The Copley Medal is thought to be the world's oldest scientific prize, and it was awarded 170 years before the first Nobel Prize. Notable winners include Benjamin Franklin, Dorothy Hodgkin, Albert Einstein, and Charles Darwin. The medal is of silver gilt and is awarded annually, alternating between the physical and biological sciences (odd and even years respectively).

Eligibility

- The Copley medal is open to international citizens
- It is restricted to senior scientists.
- Nominations will remain valid and shall be considered by the award selection committee throughout three nomination cycles.
- Teams or groups may now be nominated for this award.
- Nominees cannot be members of the Royal Society Council, Premier Awards Committee or selection Committees overseeing the medal in question.
- Winners of Royal Society subject-specific medals remain eligible for future subject-specific awards and Premier Awards. Winners of Royal Society Premier Awards remain eligible for another Premier Award, excluding winning multiple Royal Medals.

Prize

The medal is of silver gilt and is accompanied by a gift of £25,000.

Deadlines

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

Type	Date	Notes
External Deadline	Friday, February 21, 2025 -	

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	6:59pm	Applications must be submitted online using the application form provided on the RSC Copley Medal web page by the external deadline. Please submit an OR-5 and a completed application to research.services@uoguelph.ca by the external deadline.

How to Apply

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For More Information

For more information, contact ailsakay@uoguelph.ca or see the [RSC Copley Medal web page](#).

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