

CLF-CASL Gold Medal Award

The Gold Medal Award was established by the Canadian Liver Foundation in 1983 as a lecture sponsorship program. The recipient, a scientist who had made or was making an outstanding contribution to liver research, was invited as a guest lecturer at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons' Annual Conference and presented with a Gold Medal, an honorarium and travel expenses. Mr. Carl Grant donated the funds to design and produce the first Gold Medal. The first recipient was Dr. Jean-Pierre Benhamou of Paris, France.

Beginning in 1996, the medalist has been invited as a guest lecturer at the annual CASL conference (currently the Canadian Liver Meeting) and is co-presented by the CLF and CASL with a Gold Medal and commemorative plaque prior to their plenary lecture.

CASL is now seeking nominations for the 2022 CLF-CASL Gold Medal Award and Lecture, to be presented at the 2022 Canadian Liver Meeting. Any individual who has made an outstanding contribution to liver research may be nominated – they need not be a Canadian or a CASL member.

To submit a nomination, please email the following documents to the CASL office (casl@hepatology.ca) no later than **May 31, 2021**:

- A complete CV for the nominee;
- A letter from the nominator of no more than 2 pages, which should:
 - o Describe what the nominator feels are the nominee's five most important contributions to hepatology; and
 - o Provide a rationale for the nomination by addressing the following criteria (listed in order of importance):
 1. Research Excellence – key publications, impact factor, citation index
 2. (International) Profile – membership in and contribution to international societies, editorships, sustained contributions to hepatology
 3. Patient / General Public Engagement and Community Participation
 4. Previous Awards and Recognition, including nominations for CASL awards
 5. Mentorship - notable trainees, activities that have advanced the field of hepatology, etc.

Where possible given the applicant pool, the selected awardee should alternate between Canadian and international candidates.