BEST R&D PAPER AWARDS

Supplemental Guidelines for the Regional Consortia[1]

RATIONALE

- Provide clarification on certain "provisions" of the Revised Guidelines of the PCAARRD Best R&D Paper Awards

MISCLASSIFICATION OF CATEGORIES

Misclassification of nominated entries is considered sufficient grounds for disqualification. Categorization into 'research' or 'development' of the nominated papers shall be the sole responsibility of the nominating entity.

NON-COMPLIANCE

Non-compliance to any of the nomination requirements will result in immediate disqualification of an entry.

AUTHORSHIP

As S&T leader and promoter of R&D in AANR, PCAARRD champions the observance of ethics and respect of intellectual property in relation to all activities conducted. In this light, the Council addresses issues that arise especially on who merit authorship of papers submitted for consideration.

Two minimum requirements define authorship across all definitions — making a substantial contribution to the work and being accountable for the work and its published form (COPE 2019). The following principles thus serve as the bedrock for the authorship guidelines for all entries to the Best R&D Paper Award:

- Researchers should take responsibility and credit only for work they have actually performed or to which they have substantially contributed (APA 2010)
- Ensure that all those listed as authors qualify to the criteria (ICMJE 2021; McNutt et al 2018; CSE 2020)
- Some types of contributions do not alone justify identification as an author, e.g., assisting the research by providing advice, research space, or departmental oversight; obtaining financial support; performing isolated analyses; or providing reagents/patients/animals/other study materials. (CSE 2020)

For reference: https://tinyurl.com/45euz4cu

[1] Report of the Subcommittee on the Revision of the Guidelines for the Selection of PCAARRD's Best R&D Paper Awards

INDEPENDENT DISSERTATION/THESIS WORK

Academic output cannot be presented as a separate/ stand-alone entry. It must form part of the program/project and must be presented as part thereof.

PRIZES AND ENTITLEMENTS (OTHERS/REITERATION)

PUBLICATION INCENTIVE

All three winners under each category are encouraged to submit an article to appropriate scientific journals for possible publication. A publication incentive might be provided as part of the winners' entitlement.

REGIONAL ECHO SEMINARS

Dissemination of Best R&D Paper winners through R&D symposia. DOST-PCAARRD through OED-ARMSS will coordinate and fund the holding of echo seminars of the finalists in the regional consortia where they have similar commodity priorities to hasten dissemination of outstanding R&D.