

Outreach and Engagement Prize Lecture Nomination Form

Awarded annually to an individual for an outstanding contribution to microbiology education and/or communication in order to stimulate interest and understanding in the subject

- To make a nomination for the **Outreach and Engagement Prize**, please complete all sections of the form below and attach the requested supporting documentation as required by the rules of the award – see the Microbiology Society website for details: www.microbiologysociety.org/prizelectures.
- The Microbiology Society supports **Equality and Diversity** and asks that those making nominations consider the entire talent pool available.
- We appreciate the time and effort it takes to complete a final nomination. We strongly recommend that you **contact the nominee and compose your nomination together**. To help your nomination stand out, we encourage you to submit relevant supplementary information and hyperlinks as appropriate within form. The office (prizes@microbiologysociety.org) is there to help if you have any questions. The office can also put you in touch with other nominators if you feel that would aid your nomination.
- If unsuccessful, your nomination will continue to be considered by the Prizes Panel for a further two years subject to annual reconfirmation by the nominators. After this time you are welcome to submit a revised nomination after a gap of one year.
- If you have any queries or **need help** with your nomination, please contact the office at prizes@microbiologysociety.org.

1. Nominee

I wish to nominate:

Name _____

Pronouns (optional) _____

Address _____

Email _____

Subject area _____

2. Nomination information

a) Please outline the distinction of candidate's work and contribution to science communication, pedagogy, or outreach and engagement in the field of microbiology.

This section should describe the candidate's field of interest in microbiology, the approaches and tools they use or have developed for outreach, engagement or education as a primary goal. All levels and kinds of audiences are considered from primary education through to higher education, continued professional development and communication to the public.

Max 300 words.

b) Please explain how the candidate’s work has stimulated interest and understanding in the subject.
This section might include evidence of impact of the candidate’s work on education policy or curricula, changes in public perception of science/microbiology issues or audience feedback. Describe how the evaluation of the activities has been performed, please include the outcomes of the activity. Max 300 words.

c) Please provide any further comments or information you feel relevant to the nomination that has not been covered in previous sections.
Examples might include contributions to the wider society, invitations to share practice from other disciplines or other organisations. Please include links to work and projects where appropriate. Max 300 words.

3. Concise CV

Please ask the nominee to provide a concise CV to supplement this application. We are also able to accept photographs and links to videos where appropriate. The CV should include publications and work relevant to the Prize, and also a statement acknowledging understanding of the rules of the award scheme – see [here](#).

CV attached

4. Nominator(s)

I confirm that I am a Member of the Microbiology Society (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*).

I confirm that the individual/team responsible for the winning project is aware of the nomination, accepts the terms and conditions of the prizes as set out on the website: <https://microb.io/prizelectures>, and is aware of the invitation to the Society’s Annual Conference in Spring 2026 (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*).

Nominated by:

Name _____ Email _____
Date _____

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Please submit the completed form, together with the nominee's short CV to prizes@microbiologysociety.org by **15 June 2025**.

Decisions will be confirmed in September 2025. All nominators will be notified of the outcome of their nomination by the end of November 2025.

5. Prizes Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Survey 2025

To ensure we live up to our core value of being welcoming to anyone interested in microbes, their effects and their uses, the Trustees of the Microbiology Society want to continually improve our diversity and inclusion of historically marginalised communities. Capturing EDI data from Prize Lecture nominators and nominees allows us to better understand the composition of those who engage in this process and enables us to identify barriers to participation. **All data are anonymised and reviewed internally within the Society as a reporting tool only.** To find out more about why and how we utilise this data, please see our EDI Privacy Policy at the start of the survey.

The Society will send the EDI survey to nominees via email following receipt of the nomination form.

As a nominator to a Prize Lecture please take our EDI survey [here](#).