

The **Ragai Ibrahim Award** was established by the Society through a generous donation from **Professor Ragai Ibrahim** (1929-2017), an eminent Canadian plant scientist in the area of plant specialized metabolism and an emeritus member of the Society. The purpose of the award is to recognize **excellence in research publication by students** (undergraduate/graduate).

Each year there is one winner of the award and (possibly) one honourable mention. The award includes a cash prize; the value of the prize is determined by the Board of Directors.

**Eligibility:**

The award is based on a peer-reviewed paper (published or on-line) published in the calendar year (Jan. 1 to Dec. 31) by a student (undergraduate/graduate) that has (or will have) an impact in the area of Plant Biology. For example, **only papers published from Jan. to Dec. 2018 are considered for the 2019 CSPB meeting.**

The nominee is currently a student (undergraduate or graduate) or has completed their graduate/undergraduate program no more than twelve (12) months prior to the publication date of the paper. The nominated student will be first or primary author of the work and the paper must be based on the research the nominee performed as a student. The nominee must be a member of the Society.

**Nominator:**

The nominator is the supervisor of the student.

**Criteria:**

In the letter from the nominator, the following should be addressed:

**Contributions of the nominee to the research.** Recognizing that multi-author papers have different inputs, the contributions of the nominee (involvement in the experimental design, experiments conducted, analyses, contribution to writing etc) should be provided.

**The impact (or potential impact) in the field of plant biology.**

**Required for the nomination:**

Nomination letter (on official letterhead) from the nominee supervisor and PDF of the published paper submitted to the Chair of the CSPB Ibrahim Awards Committee.

In the nomination letter, please provide the following information:

- 1) Indicate whether the nominee is still a student or whether they have completed their program (provide date of completion).
- 2) Describe the contribution of the nominee to the research (see criteria above).

In the current year (2019: for papers published from Jan. to Dec. 2018), please email nominations to Jean Danyluk, Chair of the Ibrahim Award Committee ([danyluk.jean@uqam.ca](mailto:danyluk.jean@uqam.ca)) using the header: CSPB: nominations for the 2018 Ibrahim Award.