



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Sloan Research Fellowships Expand to Honor Early-Career Researchers in Ocean Sciences

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation invites nominations of outstanding early-career scientists and researchers for its Sloan Research Fellowships in Ocean Sciences. Department chairs or other senior scholars wishing to recognize and support those of their junior colleagues who demonstrate a unique potential to contribute significantly to marine research should submit nominations no later than September 15, 2011.

Awarded since 1955, the Sloan Research Fellowships recognize the very best young minds working in science. 38 Sloan Research Fellows have gone on to receive the Nobel Prize, 16 have been awarded the Fields Medal in mathematics, 10 have received the John Bates Clark Medal in economics, and 57 have been awarded the National Medal of Science. This is the first year fellowships will be open to researchers working in the ocean sciences.

Eligibility: Candidates must 1) be members of the regular teaching faculty of a degree-granting institution in the U.S. or Canada; 2) have a research focus on some aspect of ocean science; and 3) ordinarily be no more than six years from their most recent Ph.D. Only candidates who have been nominated by a department chair or other senior researcher may submit materials for consideration. In recognition of the Foundation's close association with the recently completed Census of Marine Life, special emphasis will be placed this year on those scientists working in marine biology.

Selection: Fellows are selected by an independent panel of senior scientists based on their independent research accomplishments, creativity, and potential to become leaders in the scientific community through their contributions to their field. The 2011 Selection Committee in Ocean Sciences is composed of Dr. Barbara Block of Stanford University, Dr. Nancy Knowlton of the University of California at San Diego, and Dr. Mitchell Sogin of Brown University and the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

Award terms: Fellowships are in the amount of \$50,000 and can be spent over two years for nearly any research-related purpose.

Nomination Deadline: All forms and materials are due by September 15th, 2011

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