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Edwin L. Bierman Award

Award Profile:
This lecture is awarded in honor of the memory of Edwin L. Bierman, MD. Dr. Bierman was an exemplary scientist, mentor and leader in the field of diabetes, obesity, hyperlipidemia and atherosclerosis.

The award recognizes a leading scientist in the field of macrovascular complications and contributing risk factors in diabetes. Dr. Bierman is most notably remembered for his work on the physiological and nutritional regulation of lipoprotein metabolism and the nature of lipid and lipoprotein disorders particularly in obesity and diabetes, and especially as these relate to atherosclerosis. He was also a pioneer using human cultured cells to study atherosclerosis. Dr. Bierman founded one of the leading journals in the area of atherosclerosis, namely Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis, and Vascular Biology, and had a major impact on our understanding of diabetes and macrovascular disease**.**

Criteria for Selection:

- Nominee is a leading scientist who has made outstanding contributions in the field of macrovascular complications and the management and treatment of diabetes.
- Nominee will be recognized for national and/or international contributions to the field of research on diabetes complications.
- MD or PhD degree or equivalent.
- Both US and non-US residents are eligible for Award.
- Nominee must be an active professional member of the American Diabetes Association. Contributions as an American Diabetes Association volunteer and to the broader diabetes community may also be taken into consideration.

Lecture/Publication of Lecture:

- Recipient will deliver the Edwin Bierman Award Lecture at the 87th Scientific Sessions (June 18 to 21, 2026) in Washington, D.C. at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center.
- Recipient will be offered the opportunity to publish lecture in an American Diabetes Association scientific journal.

Honorarium/Travel/Registration:

- The recipient receives a $1,000 honorarium.
- Award includes reimbursable travel up to $500 and one complimentary registration to the 87th Scientific Sessions (June 18 to 21, 2026) in Washington, D.C. at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center.

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Nomination/Submission Process:

- 2027 nominations must be submitted at the electronic nomination form at http://my.diabetes.org/awardapplications. In order to submit a nomination, you must log into your DiabetesPro account with an email username and password.
- You must upload all award components as one .pdf document in the electronic nomination form.
- Submissions must be received on or before 8:00 p.m. ET on **September 18, 2026**.
- Nominations are accepted from any professional member of the American Diabetes Association.
- Nominations from the membership of the ADA Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease Interest Group are encouraged and will be solicited.

Edwin Bierman Award Nominations:

- Letter of nomination (no more than 400 words), signed by no more than 3 individuals, will be accepted.
- Letter of nomination should address criteria for selection.
- Nominee's biography
- Nominee's CV with career and publication highlights, as well as documentation of teaching and mentorship.

Selection:

- The recipient is chosen by a selection committee comprised of the Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease Interest Group Leadership Team. The selection committee will review all nominations and select the recipient on the basis of outstanding contributions to the field of macrovascular complications in the knowledge, management and treatment of diabetes.
- The selection process is reviewed and supported by the National Medicine, Science and Health Care Awards Committee. The nominee is approved by the Executive Committee of the American Diabetes Association.
- Diabetes & Cardiovascular Disease Interest Group Leadership Team members as well as members of the ADA's Science, Medicine, and Health Care Awards Committee are not eligible during their term of service. The list of current Interest Group Leadership Team members can be found at professional.diabetes.org/InterestGroups. Nominees may not be current ADA national officers (ADA President of Medicine & Science and President of Health Care & Education) or have held one of these national officer positions within the past three years.

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Previous Recipients of the Edwin Bierman Award:

2026 Jane E.B. Reusch, MD, FAHA
2025 Naveed Sattar, MBChB, PhD
2024 Darren K. McGuire, MD, MHSc
2023 Elizabeth J. Parks, PhD
2022 Gary Lewis, MD, FRCPC
2021 Russell A. DeBose-Boyd, PhD
2020 Rama Natarajan, PhD, FAHA, FASN
2019 Peter Rossing, MD, DMSc
2018 Alessandro Doria, MD, PhD, MPH
2017 Mark E. Cooper, MB BS, PhD
2016 Clay F. Semenkovich, MD
2015 George L. King, MD
2014 Karin E. Bornfeldt, PhD
2013 Joseph L. Witztum, MD
2012 Ronald M. Krauss, MD
2011 Theodore Mazzone, MD, FACP
2010 Ira J. Goldberg, MD
2009 Steven M. Haffner, MD
2008 Scott Grundy, MD, PhD
2007 Henry Ginsberg, MD
2006 Robert Eckel, MD
2005 John D. Brunzell, MD
2004 Marja-Riitta Taskinen, MD
2003 lan Chait, MD
2002 Helen Vlassara, MD
2001 Maria Lopes-Virella, MD, PhD
2000 John A. Colwell, MD, PhD
1999 Barbara V. Howard, PhD