Harold Rifkin Award for
Distinguished International Service in the Cause of Diabetes

Award Profile:
Given in memory of Harold Rifkin, to honor outstanding service in the cause of diabetes that has been performed with an international perspective and with international impact, this award recognizes those whose efforts have increased the awareness of the burden of diabetes worldwide to improve the care and lives of those with diabetes. Dr. Rifkin’s work specifically supported efforts to increase awareness of the burden of diabetes worldwide and in establishing relationships across diabetes organizations.

Criteria for Selection:
• Nominee will demonstrate long-term volunteer service to one or more diabetes-related organizations.
• Broad professional expertise and contributions in diabetes may be recognized – including, but not exclusive to clinical care, research, education, health policy and advocacy.
• Both U.S. and non-U.S. residents are eligible for award.
• Contributions and volunteer service to both national and international diabetes organizations and the boarder diabetes community may also be taken into consideration.

Lecture/Publication:
• There is no lecture associated with this award.

Honorarium/Travel/Registration:
• The recipient receives a $3,000 honorarium.
• Award includes two round-trip coach airfares and hotel accommodations for up to 5-nights and other travel related expenses.
• Includes complimentary registration to the 81st Scientific Sessions in Washington, DC; June 25-29, 2021.

2021 Nomination/Submission Process:
• 2021 Nominations must be submitted using the electronic nomination form. All submissions must be received on or before 8pm ET; September 11, 2020.
• Nominations are accepted from any professional member of the American Diabetes Association.

All Rifkin nominations must have the following documents uploaded as one .pdf file:
  o 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.
  o Nominee’s biography
  o Nominee’s CV with career highlights and documentation of international contribution.

Questions? Contact Gedeon Topacio, Program Manager, Research & Scientific Programs, by email at gtopacio@diabetes.org or call 703-549-1500, ext 1388.
**Selection:**
The recipient is chosen by the National Scientific & Health Care Achievement Awards Committee and approved by the Executive Committee of the American Diabetes Association, February 2021.

**Previous Harold Rifkin Award Recipients:**

1991 Harold Rifkin, MD  
1992 Harry Keen, MD  
1993 Leo P. Krall, MD  
1994 Wendell Mayes, Jr.  
1995 Hilary King, DSc  
1996 Meng H. Tan, MD  
1997 K.G.M.M. Alberti, Dphil  
1998 Errol Morrison, MD  
1999 Michael Berger, MD  
2000 Maria de Alva  
2001 Sterling Tucker  
2002 Paul Zimmet, MD, PhD  
2003 Linda M. Siminerio, RN, PhD, CDE  
2004 Jean-Claude Mbyana, MD  
2007 Martin Silink, AM, MD, FRACP  
2005 Insulin for Life  
2006 Jaime A. Davidson, MD  
2008 Andrew JM Boulton, MD, FRCP  
2009 Mahmoud Ashraf Ibrahim, MD  
2010 Peter H. Bennett, MD Ch.B, FRCP, FFPH  
2011 Rury R. Holman, FRCP  
2012 Pierre Lefèbvre, MD, PhD, FRCP, MAE  
2013 Graham Ogle, MBBS, FRACP  
2014 Jaakko Tuomilehto, MD, MA, PhD, FESC, FRCP (Edin)  
2015 Carl Erik Mogensen, MD  
2016 Yutaka Seino, MD, PhD  
2017 Roger S. Mazze, PhD  
2018 Viswanathan Mohan, MD, PhD, DSc  
2019 Juliana CN Chan, MB, ChB, MD, FRCP  
2020 Anne-Marie Felton, RN (retd), DSN (retd)