

The Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) Inorganic Reaction Mechanisms Discussion Group (IRMG) committee is seeking applicants for an Early Career Award that recognises excellence in the field of Inorganic Reaction Mechanisms research.

Eligibility: Nominees should be an early career scientist, typically with no more than 10 years of full-time equivalent of professional experience (been awarded their Ph.D. no greater than 10 years prior to the submission deadline). This should be experience gained as part of a scientific career excluding time spent in full-time education. Time spent as a postgraduate student should not be included (*e.g.* as a Masters/Ph.D. student). Time spent as a postdoctoral researcher should be included. Nominators/applicants will be asked to provide details of the applicant/nominee's professional experience, in relation to the above criteria. Career breaks will be recognised, and applications are particularly encouraged from those whose career has spanned a break due to caring responsibilities or personal circumstances, (*e.g.* a period of parental/adoption leave, family commitments, illness, or other exceptional circumstances). Nominees/applicants should be based in the United Kingdom or Republic of Ireland.

Award: The awardee will receive a certificate of recognition, a prize (£100), and will present a lecture at an IRMG event in 2022 or 2023.

Submission and Deadline: Nominees can either self-nominate or be nominated. Applicants or their nominators should submit the C.V. of the applicant/nominee (maximum 3 pages), a list of 5 of the applicant/nominee's most significant publications that highlight their work in the inorganic reaction mechanism field, and one, 1-page letter of recommendation that outlines the applicant/nominee's contributions to the field. Applications/nominations should

be sent by e-mail to the Chair of the IRMG Committee (Dr. Sam de Visser, sam.devisser@manchester.ac.uk). The deadline for submission is May 31st 2022.