PhARF (Phadia Allergy Research Forum) Award

History
In 1967 immunoglobulin E, IgE, was discovered by two separate research teams; one in Denver, Colorado, US, led by Kimishige and Teruko Ishizaka, and the other in Uppsala, Sweden, by S.G.O. Johansson, Hans Bennich and Leif Wide.

PhARF (Phadia Allergy Research Forum) was established by Pharmacia Diagnostics (later Phadia and now Thermo Fisher Scientific, ImmunoDiagnostics) in 1987 to honor the 20th anniversary of this discovery. Today PhARF is a collaboration between Uppsala University and Thermo Fisher Scientific, ImmunoDiagnostics.

Objective
The objective of PhARF is to encourage progress in allergy research by means of an international Award. Currently the Award amounts to USD 50,000. Every year a young investigator, who has made outstanding contributions to the field of allergy is recognized by this Award. The Award is a personal prize.

Election procedure
Since the Award 2009 a two-step procedure is used. First a Nomination Committee, comprised of representatives from Uppsala University, sifts out five top candidates of all nominees.

Then a Scientific Committee, comprised of the Presidents of EAACI, AAAAI and WAO, together with a representative from Uppsala University, meets once a year to select the winner out of these five nominees.

Basis for election
The candidate’s research should be of high quality and in the forefront. The research should have contributed to a better understanding of allergic inflammation as well as improved diagnostic procedures and treatment, enabling more optimal patient management. The level of independency and professional implication of the Award on the candidate’s career, will also be taken into consideration.

Recognition of the winner
The winner (and receiver of Honorable Mentions, if any) is recognized at the yearly EAACI congress in June and at Rudbeckdagen* in Uppsala in October every year.

Nomination documentation
Anyone can nominate a candidate but everyone needs to supply the following information/documentation: [http://www.phadia.com/Global/Corporate/PhARF/Ad-PhARF-Award-2014.pdf](http://www.phadia.com/Global/Corporate/PhARF/Ad-PhARF-Award-2014.pdf)

Deadline for application to the Award 2014
December 31, 2013

Application should be sent to
Uppsala University, e-mail: Registrar@uu.se with Ref No. MEDFARM 2013/1237

* Olof Rudbeck was a Swedish scientist/genius active in Uppsala during the 17th century and the one who detected lymphatic system and its importance.