

## **Alain P. Rousseau Award**

The **Alain P. Rousseau Award** is open to residents in ophthalmology. The objective of this award is to perpetuate the work of the founder of the Eye Disease Foundation, Dr. Alain P. Rousseau, and to stimulate clinical research in ophthalmology.

### **Award:**

- The laureate will receive a \$1,000 prize and a distinctive plaque on which we will find: Their name, the award and the Eye Disease Foundation logo.
- The award will be presented during the Residents and Young Ophthalmologists Symposium on June 18, 2026 at the Canadian Ophthalmological Society (COS) Annual Meeting.

### **Eligibility criteria:**

- Be an ophthalmology resident in a Canadian recognized program.
- Have completed a clinical research project in ophthalmology.
- Have presented or will be presenting the research project at a meeting.
- Have submitted or published the results of the research project in a scientific journal.
- The project must be distinguished by its exceptional nature and more specifically in its sector of activity.
- Not having received the Alain P. Rousseau prize from a previous competition.

### **Review process and evaluation criteria:**

- Each project will be evaluated by the Scientific Committee of the Eye Disease Foundation. At least one clinical researcher will take part in the committee. The committee will meet once a year to evaluate all received projects and determine the winner.
- The excellence of the submitted publication will be the main criterion of evaluation as well as the level of involvement of the candidate in the research work. This means an active participation in all phases of the project: Scientific design, progress of the project, interpretation of the results and writing of the manuscript. For this last criterion, a letter of support from one of the co-authors must be attached to the application.
- In the event that no project meets the criteria, the Foundation reserves the right not to award a prize.

### **Documents to provide:**

- Summary of the research project (one (1) page maximum).
- Proof of presentation of the project at a meeting.
- Copy of the published article or proof of submission.
- Letter of support from a co-author stating the resident's contribution to the research project.

**Deadline: April 1, 2026**

**Send your application in one single PDF file to:**  
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