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Call for nominations for the W. H. & W. L. Bragg Prize

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The International Union of Crystallography (IUCr) is pleased to invite nominations for the second W. H. & W. L. Bragg Prize for outstanding contributions to the science of crystallography. The Prize is named after Professors W. H. and W. L. Bragg, in recognition of their significant contributions to the foundations of crystallography. Professors William Henry and William Lawrence Bragg pioneered the use of X-rays as an instrument for the analysis of crystal structure, and were the joint recipients of the 1915 Nobel Prize for Physics. (Photo of the Braggs from the Smithsonian Institution Archives. Image # SIA2007-0340.)

The Prize consists of a certificate and a financial award, and is presented once every three years during the triennial International Congresses of Crystallography. The inaugural Prize was awarded in Prague, Czech Republic, in 2021 to Professor James Fraser (USA) and Dr Jean-Philippe Julien (Canada).

The second Prize, for which nominations are now being invited, will be presented at the Melbourne Congress in August 2023.

Unlike the Ewald Prize, the W. H. & W. L. Bragg Prize is awarded to a scientist in the early stages of their career, irrespective of gender, nationality or age. Nominees will be expected to have registered in the World Directory of Crystallographers.

Nominations for the second W. H. & W. L. Bragg Prize should be submitted electronically using the Bragg Prize Nomination Form to the Chief Executive Officer of the International Union of Crystallography (ceo@iucr.org). Further information is available from https://www.iucr.org/iucr/bragg-prize. The closing date for nominations is 30 September 2022.

