



## THE ACVIM SPECIALTY LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

### **Purpose:**

The ACVIM Specialty Lifetime Achievement Award is presented in recognition of the most prominent leaders in each specialty and provides the opportunity to celebrate those who have made significant contributions in each of the five specialties. Call for nominations will come from the President of each respective Specialty, with Specialty Presidents receiving recommendations for nominations from members of their Specialty membership.

### **Eligibility:**

1. Active, Retired and Disabled Diplomates (in good standing) of the ACVIM are eligible.
2. Except for rare and exceptional circumstances, a period of at least 15 years must elapse after becoming an ACVIM Diplomate before an individual will be considered eligible.
3. Once nominated, individuals who do not receive the Award will remain in consideration for the next year.
4. Diplomates are not eligible while they are serving as members of the Board of Regents, as elected officers of any specialty, or on the Selection Committee for this award. Diplomates given compensation in the form of a salary or stipend for service contributions will not be eligible for consideration of that portion of their service to the College.
5. No individual who has won the Award may be nominated again in the future.

### **Selection Criteria:**

Nominations will be evaluated according to an individual's contributions to some or all of the following criteria.

1. Having an outstanding career in veterinary medicine within their specialty, with recognition for one's contributions. Selection is based on the nominee's entire career rather than on a single activity or initiative.
2. An outstanding record of service to and leadership of their respective specialty, either as an elected official of the College, or through voluntary service to the College, their specialty, and/or on task forces, committees, or as an advocate of their specialty to the veterinary profession or public.
3. Contributions to their specialty, including attendance at and participation in meetings (providing lectures, abstracts and special sessions, etc.).
4. Demonstration of innovative service contributions that have advanced their specialty through administrative, committee, or other efforts.
5. A demonstrated history of mentoring residents, student, interns, graduate students and others.



The Selection Committee is comprised of the Specialty Executive Committee (except for Specialty President), Chair of the Specialty Nominating Committee, and the winner of the Award in the most recently given year.

**Nomination Procedure:**

When submitting a candidate for consideration, the Nominator should provide

- a nomination letter
- a recent version of the nominee's CV
- a minimum of three (3) letters and a maximum of five (5) letters of support from individuals familiar with the nominee's accomplishments

The nomination letter should provide a detailed explanation of why the nominee deserves this prestigious award. The letter need not repeat the detail found in the Curriculum Vitae but should instead convey the impact of the nominee's career within some or all of the nomination criteria.

Nomination applications are due to the ACVIM by **December 31, 2021**. If you have questions, please email [Membership@acvim.org](mailto:Membership@acvim.org).

**Past Recipients**  
**The ACVIM Specialty Lifetime Achievement Awards**

- 2021 Dr. Alexander de Lahunta (Neurology)
- 2021 Dr. Steven Ettinger (Cardiology, SAIM)



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**The Specialty Lifetime Achievement Award  
Individuals Ineligible for the 2022 Award**

The following individuals are not eligible while they are serving as members of the Board of Regents, as elected officers of any specialty or as members of the selection committee for this award.

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