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Establishment of the RegPep Distinguished Member Named Prize Lectureships

Following extensive discussion within the IRPS Council of Trustees and Executive Committee, the Council has approved the establishment of the RegPep Distinguished Member Named Prize Lectureships as a permanent feature of future RegPep meetings.

The purpose of these lectureships is to preserve and celebrate the scientific legacy, historical continuity, and intellectual lineage of the regulatory peptide field, while encouraging younger generations of scientists to become familiar with the pioneers whose discoveries helped shape modern neuroendocrinology, peptide pharmacology, neurophysiology, and integrative neuroscience.

For each RegPep meeting, up to five Distinguished Member Named Prize Lectureships may be awarded.

For the upcoming RegPep26/2027 meeting in Beijing, China, the following principles will apply:

- The lectureships will honor selected senior IRPS Distinguished Members whose scientific contributions have had a major impact on the regulatory peptide field and on the development of the Society.
- The lectureships will be supported by IRPS treasury resources and Society donor funds.
- The recipients of these lectureships will receive up to USD \$2,000 in travel and accommodation support, provided in-kind and intended solely to facilitate attendance at the meeting. No monetary prize will be awarded.
- Recipients will be selected through the scientific program planning process in consultation with the International Program Advisory Committee (RegPep26-IPAC).
- Each Distinguished Member Lecture will begin with a brief scientific tribute introducing the contributions, historical context, vision, perseverance, and scientific legacy of the honored Distinguished Member.

The Council believes that these lectureships will strengthen the historical identity of the IRPS, promote intergenerational dialogue, and highlight the enduring contributions of the pioneers whose work established the foundations of modern regulatory peptide research.

Approved by the IRPS Council of Trustees and Executive Committee

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