

Purina Pro-Lab Award

Description / Purpose: This award is presented annually to a person who is primarily responsible for the day-to-day husbandry of laboratory animals.

Award: Plaque and \$150 gift card. Additionally, Purina will donate \$50 to the AALAS Foundation in the award recipient's name.

Nominee Qualifications / Criteria: The candidate must:

- a. Have daily contact with animals of one or more species in the form of handling, feeding, watering, changing bedding, etc.
- b. Demonstrate positive attitude toward the welfare of the animals.
- c. Demonstrated performance excellence.
- d. Demonstrate the pursuit of knowledge in field of laboratory animal care.
- e. Innovative approaches to animal husbandry related problems should be cited.
- f. All considerations being equal, candidates having current membership in the local AALAS Branch or National AALAS will be selected.
- g. Supervisory responsibilities and formal degrees are not important considerations.

Nomination Process: The Purina Pro-Lab award nomination form should be filled out and returned to the nominations chair by **May 1st**.