



International Alliance of ALS/MND Associations

THE FORBES NORRIS AWARD 2009

Call for Nominations

This Award, first presented in 1994 was inaugurated by the International Alliance of ALS/MND Associations in memory of Dr Forbes (Ted) Norris a neurologist dedicated to helping people with ALS/MND.

Forbes Holden Norris, MD 1928 – 1993 Forbes Norris, known as “Ted” to his friends, was born in Virginia, USA and was a graduate of Harvard College and Medical School. An internship at Johns Hopkins and a residency at the National Institutes of Health inspired his interest in Motor Neuron Diseases, which became his professional life’s work. He pioneered much of the early basic science research, though his ultimate legacy may be his advocacy for aggressive clinical intervention in ALS/MND inspiring dignity and hope in an otherwise hopeless disease. This compassionate concern endeared him forever in the hearts and minds of ALS/MND patients, their families, and clinicians everywhere.

The Award is to encourage a combination of two major qualities, management of, and advances in understanding ALS/MND, to the benefit of people living with ALS/MND. Past winners of this prestigious Award are:

1994	Professor Vincent Meininger	2001	Dr Lewis P (Bud) Rowland
1995	Dr Teepu Siddique	2002	Professor Vianney DeJong
1996	Dr Donald Mulder	2003	Dr Robert H Brown
1997	Professor Nigel Leigh	2004	Dr Robert G Miller
1998	Dr Hiroshi Mitsumoto	2005	Dr Stanley Appel
1999	Andrew Eisen MD	2006	Dr Walter G Bradley
2000	Professor Michael Swash	2007	Professor Pamela Shaw
		2008	Dr Michael Strong

The Award is given annually to a physician thought by his/her peers in the ALS/MND community to have shown exceptional ‘*care and compassion in the study and management ALS/MND*’.

More specifically the criteria are as follows:

- **Is a major participant in the delivery of outstanding ALS/MND patient care, and**
- **Significant contributor to the medical literature on ALS/MND clinical management or basic science.**
- **Is a member of team/s undertaking ongoing research into ALS/MND care, management and/or basic science**

The Award, an inscribed crystal bowl and framed citation, will be presented at the Annual International Symposium on ALS/MND in Berlin, Germany.

Judges will consist of two members of the World Federation of Neurology Neuromuscular Diseases Committee, two members and the Chairperson of the International Alliance of ALS/MND.

The closing date for nominations is 19 September 2009.

Nominations can be made by any individual or organization and MUST be accompanied by the following:

- **A brief resume of the nominee’s career and achievements**
- **Completed Nomination Form, including a draft citation of not more than 200 words**

Please send nominations to: **International Alliance Co-ordinator
International Alliance of ALS/MND Associations
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Northampton NN1 2PR
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Nomination Form

Instructions:

- Please complete all sections of this nomination form to make a valid nomination.
- Please keep your comments and submissions succinct and to the point. This helps your submission and our deliberations
- Each section must be completed to form a valid nomination.
- Please keep the information you provide relevant to the question being asked.
- Do not assume that the judging panel are aware of the background or experience of the individual you are nominating.
- The judging panel comprises two members of the WFN, and two members and the Chairman of the Board of the International Alliance
- This is a competitive process.
- This form can be completed on screen and emailed to alliance@alsmndalliance.org Please save a copy for your records.

Name of Nominator	
Position of Nominator	
Contact Details of Nominator	Email: Ph: Fax
Name of Nominee	
Position/s of Nominee	
1. What has been the nominees experience in the management of ALS/MND?	
2. In what way and at what level is the nominee participating in the delivery of outstanding ALS/MND patient care ?	
3. How does the nominee demonstrate “ care and compassion ” in care and management of ALS/MND?	
4. Please identify a short selective list of research activities lead currently and over the past 10 years by the nominee that have made a significant contribution to the medical literature?	
5. How has the nominee contributed to leadership and direction in the search for cause, treatment and cure of ALS/MND?	
6. How have these research activities impacted on people living with ALS/MND?	
7. What has made the nominees contribution “exceptional” in your eyes and the eyes of the neurology community?	
8. Any other comments that will assist the judging committee to evaluate your nomination?	
9. Please include an appropriate citation to be included in the Certificate recognising this award in the event that your nominee is successful.	Citation: 200 words