

Procedure for the JFR Award

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(Nomination committee)

1. A nomination committee is established within the JFR editorial committee every July for the selection of the JFR Award, amongst the published articles.
2. The nomination committee comprises of 6 members including the present editor-in-chief, former editor-in-chief, and four editors selected from different subject areas.

(Eligibility)

3. All original articles and short communications published in JFR issues from August two years before the award year to June one year before the award year are eligible.

(Recommendation of candidates)

4. Each editor can recommend a maximum of two candidates from the papers they are handling.
5. The present editor-in-chief can recommend a maximum of two candidates from each subject area with the committee's consent.

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6. The nomination committee selects a maximum of five papers from the recommended candidates.
7. The nomination committee nominates three evaluators for each paper.
8. The evaluators judge and provide comments based on the following criteria: originality, contribution to scientific progress, promising development, impact on social benefit and international community in general.
9. The nomination committee adjudges the best paper based on the evaluations of two out of three evaluators who gave the highest scores per candidate. The nomination committee can select a maximum of two best papers if a single paper cannot be declared as the best.

(Decision and presentation)

10. The Japanese Forest Society decides the JFR Award in December and awards it at the Annual Meeting of the Japanese Forest Society in the following year.