ALBERT SAUVEUR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

I. DEFINITION AND HISTORY

The Albert Sauveur Achievement Award was established in 1934. It recognizes pioneering materials science and engineering achievements that have stimulated organized work along similar lines to such an extent that a marked basic advance has been made in the knowledge of materials science and engineering.

Dr. Sauveur, Honorary Member of ASM International, was born in Louvain, Belgium in 1863, educated at Athenee Royal, Brussels; the School of Mines, Liege and, finally, at MIT, graduating in 1889. Later he conducted his own laboratory and published the now famous Metallographist, a quarterly which carried most of the important metallographic literature of the day. In 1899, he joined the staff of Harvard University, where he established the first metallographic laboratory in any university. From 1924 until his death in 1939, he was Gordon McKay Professor of Mining and Metallurgy at Harvard. Affectionately known throughout the metallurgical world as the "dean of American metallurgists", Dr. Sauveur's pioneering work produced the first photomicrographs of steel made in the United States. His book on "Metallography and Heat Treatment of Iron and Steel", first published in 1912, was a standard textbook for a quarter of a century.

II. RULES

A. ASM International membership is not mandatory.

B. Candidates for the award may be proposed by Chapters, Affiliate Societies, Committees/Councils, Award Selection Committee, Awards Policy Committee, or any five members of the Society. But it is incumbent upon the Award Selection Committee to nominate only highly qualified individuals. As such, they should spare no effort, using whatever resources are necessary, to identify and carefully document the pioneering materials science and engineering achievement of each nominee.

C. The Selection Committee will review only nominations submitted on the proper form.

D. Nominations are eligible for three years.

E. Recommendations must be submitted to ASM Headquarters not later than 1 February, two years prior to the year in which the award is to be presented.

F. Statements of at least three close associates familiar with the candidate's endeavors should be included with the nomination form.

G. Only one award will be presented each year.

H. No candidate shall be selected for an award posthumously.

I. Suggested citation of not more than thirty words should appear on the nomination form.

J. It is the desire of the members of the Board of Trustees to present the award personally, and it is a condition of acceptance of the award that the recipient be present at the annual awards event for appropriate recognition.
III. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

A plaque mounted on walnut will be presented.

IV. AWARD SELECTION COMMITTEE

A. Appointments

1. Individual members and the chairman of the Award Selection Committee shall be selected and appointed by the Awards Policy Committee.

B. Composition and Tenure

1. The committee shall consist of a minimum of five members.

2. The tenure for members of the Award Selection Committee shall be three years, on a rotating basis with no more than one third of the members replaced in any one year.

C. Consideration of Relativity and Duplication of Awards

1. In considering candidates for awards, due regard should be given to potential duplication of recognition for accomplishments that have been recognized in a prior ASM award conferred upon the candidate i.e. candidates should not be recognized with multiple awards for the same accomplishments (refer to Board Policy 12.35 “Relativity of Awards”).

D. Report of the Selection Committee

1. The committee shall, by 1 June two years preceding that in which the award is to be made, submit to the Awards Policy Committee a report, including nomination form and background information on the chosen nominee, as well as rationale and documentation for selection.

2. A concise statement, in thirty words or less, of the recipient’s accomplishments shall be composed by the Selection Committee.

3. The Selection Committee Chairman will be furnished with a Board Report Form which, when completed, provides a reporting mechanism for the above requirements and should be a part of the report to the Awards Policy Committee.

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