



***MP* Corrosion Innovation of the Year Awards Program for 2021**

The *MP* Corrosion Innovation of the Year Awards showcase progressive technological developments in all aspects of corrosion prevention and mitigation and recognize the innovators who have created revolutionary solutions to combat corrosion and protect vital assets from its damaging effects.

Each innovation will be rated by a panel of leading corrosion experts. All qualifying nominations will be posted on the *MP* Corrosion Innovation Awards web site, www.nace.org/mpinnovationawards, and the highest-rated innovations will receive the awards.

The award recipients will be announced at the NACE International CORROSION 2021 Conference and Exhibition in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA, April 18-22, 2021.

**The deadline for nomination submissions
is Thursday, October 15, 2020**

How to Submit a Nomination

To nominate a corrosion innovation, please download the 2021 nomination form (available at www.nace.org/mpinnovationawards) and then email the completed form to MPInnovationAwards@nace.org. The deadline for submission is Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time.

To qualify for consideration, the innovation must have been in some sort of development phase on or after January 1, 2016; the technology must be feasible; and nominations must be submitted on the official 2021 nomination form available on the *MP* Corrosion Innovation Awards web site.

All qualifying nominations will be posted on the *MP* Corrosion Innovation Awards web site. There is no fee to submit a nomination.

Frequently Asked Questions:

What is considered a corrosion innovation?

The innovation must show the potential for a significant positive impact in corrosion control. The innovation can be related to coatings and linings, materials, design, equipment, testing, monitoring, modeling/risk assessment, cathodic protection, chemical treatment—anything that directly relates to corrosion prevention and mitigation.

What are the eligibility requirements for a nomination?

To qualify for consideration, the innovation must have been in some sort of development phase on or after January 1, 2016; the technology must be feasible; and nominations must be submitted on the official 2021 nomination form available on the *MP* Corrosion Innovation Awards web site.

Anyone worldwide who is involved with corrosion control, including individuals, companies, organizations, and governments, can submit a nomination.

Can a previously nominated innovation be nominated again? Yes. However, innovations that have previously received an *MP* Corrosion Innovation of the Year Award cannot be nominated again.

Is there a cost to submit a nomination? No.

Can an individual or company nominate themselves? Yes.

Can an individual or company submit more than one nomination? Yes.

What is the official language for the nominations? English.

How do I nominate an innovation?

- The 2021 nomination form (Word document available at www.nace.org/mpinnovationawards) must be downloaded, completed, and submitted by email to MPInnovationAwards@nace.org by Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time.
- The nomination form asks for a full description of the innovation, which should include the need for the innovation, the process used for developing and implementing the innovation, an evaluation of the results, and criteria used to determine its success.
- The summary description should be 300 words or less including one photo, and the full description should be limited to 10 pages or less.
- Participants can select a category on the form they feel best fits the innovation: coatings and linings, cathodic protection, materials, design, chemical treatment, instrumentation, testing, modeling/risk assessment, or “other.”

What is the latest date I can submit a nomination?

Nominations must be submitted by Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 11:59 Eastern time.

What are the eligibility requirements?

To be eligible for consideration, the innovation must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- To qualify for consideration, the innovation must have been in some sort of development phase on or after January 1, 2016.
- The innovation technology nominated must be feasible.
- Innovations may not be a previous recipient of an *MP* Corrosion Innovation of the Year Award.
- Nominations must be submitted on the official 2021 nomination form available on the *MP* Corrosion Innovation Awards web site (www.nace.org/MPInnovationAwards) and emailed to MPInnovationAwards@nace.org by Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time. The form must include all requested contact information.

Those entries that do not meet the eligibility criteria will be disqualified. Nominations submitted after the deadline date may not be accepted.

How do I view all nominated innovations?

The nominations will be posted for viewing on the *MP* Corrosion Innovation Awards web site, www.nace.org/MPInnovationAwards. Prior to posting, all nomination forms will be vetted to ensure they meet the eligibility criteria. As soon as they are vetted, the nomination forms will be posted.

How will the award recipients be selected?

The nominations will be rated by a panel of leading corrosion experts. Each innovation will be rated using a numerical scoring system. The highest-rated innovations will receive the awards.

Rating criteria

- Does the description provided adequately describe the innovation—how it works, its purpose, and what makes it innovative?
- Does the innovation improve an existing corrosion-control solution or provide a new solution where none previously existed?
- Has the nominator sufficiently demonstrated that the innovation works as described, either by providing laboratory or field test results?
- Can the innovation be incorporated into existing corrosion prevention and control activities?
- Does the innovation benefit the corrosion-control industry?

What do the award recipients receive?

Each innovation selected for an award will be presented with one trophy at an award presentation during NACE International's CORROSION 2021 Conference and Exhibition in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA,

April 18-22, 2021. (Award recipients will have the option to purchase additional trophies.) Additionally, all top innovations will be highlighted in *MP* magazine.

I have additional questions. Who do I contact?

For more information about the award program, please contact *MP* Staff Writer Ben DuBose at MPIInnovationAwards@nace.org.

Award Guidelines

The *MP* Corrosion Innovation of the Year Award program opens on Monday, June 1, 2020. The deadline to submit award nominations is Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time. Nominations submitted after the deadline may not be accepted.

Any individual, company, organization, and government agency worldwide is eligible to submit award nominations.

For a nomination to qualify for consideration, it must meet the following requirements.

- The innovation must have been in some sort of development phase on or after January 1, 2016.
- The innovation technology nominated must be feasible.
- Innovations may not be a previous recipient of an *MP* Corrosion Innovation of the Year Award.
- Nominations must be submitted on the official 2021 nomination form available on the *MP* Corrosion Innovation Awards web site (www.nace.org/mpinnovationawards) and emailed to MPIInnovationAwards@nace.org by Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time. The form must include all requested contact information.

All nominations will be vetted to ensure they meet the eligibility criteria as outlined above. Those who submit nominations that do not meet the eligibility criteria will be notified. Nominations submitted after October 15, 2020 may not be accepted.

MP reserves the right to disqualify any nomination that is frivolous, not feasible, incomplete, illegible, or fails to meet all the nomination submission process requirements, and is under no obligation to publish or exhibit any entry.

In consideration of *MP* agreeing to consider their nomination, each participant grants *MP* and NACE International a royalty-free license to copy, edit, display, publish, and make available their nomination description and photos in any format in connection with the awards or promotion of the awards.

By submitting a nomination, participants confirm that they have the right to nominate, they have obtained all necessary consents, permissions, and authorizations, and the entry does not infringe on any third-party rights.

Qualified nominations will be posted to the *MP* Corrosion Innovation Awards web site (www.nace.org/MPInnovationAwards) after they are vetted. The nomination period closes on October 15, 2020.

MP assumes no responsibility for any problems or technical malfunction of any telephone network or lines, computer systems, servers, software, Internet service providers, or email systems; failure of any entry to be received due to technical problems or incomplete, late, lost, damaged, illegible, or misdirected electronic communications; or any combination thereof. *MP* further disclaims liability for any injury or damage to any person's computer relating to or resulting from participation in the award program or downloading any nomination materials.

The nominations will be rated by a panel of leading corrosion experts using a numerical scoring system. The highest-rated innovations will receive the awards.

The award recipients will be contacted by email in early 2021. The award recipients will be announced and honored at the CORROSION 2021 Conference and Exhibition in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA. Each innovation selected for an award will receive one trophy. Award recipients will have the option to purchase additional trophies.

All top innovations will be announced and recognized in *MP* magazine.

MP is not responsible for any incorrect or inaccurate information, whether caused by award program participants or any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the award program.

MP accepts no responsibility for any participants' costs associated with submitting entries, attending the awards ceremony, or shipping/transporting trophies after they have been presented to the recipients.