

## Announcing the 2024 Sloan Research Fellows

126 outstanding early-career researchers honored across seven fields.

(New York, NY) – The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation today announces the names of the 126 earlycareer researchers who have been selected to receive a Sloan Research Fellowship in 2024. Awarded annually since 1955, the fellowships honor exceptional U.S. and Canadian researchers whose creativity, innovation, and research accomplishments make them stand out as the next generation of leaders. A full list of the 2024 Fellows cohort is available at https://sloan.org/fellowships/2024-Fellows.

"Sloan Research Fellowships are extraordinarily competitive awards involving the nominations of the most inventive and impactful early-career scientists across the U.S. and Canada," says Adam F. Falk, president of the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. "We look forward to seeing how Fellows take leading roles shaping the research agenda within their respective fields."

A Sloan Research Fellowship is one of the most prestigious awards available to young researchers, in part because so many past Fellows have gone on to become distinguished figures in science. Renowned physicists Richard Feynman and James Cronin were Sloan Research Fellows, as was mathematician John Nash, one of the fathers of modern game theory.

To date, 57 Fellows have received a Nobel Prize, including Moungi Bawendi, last year's recipient of the Nobel Prize in Chemistry. 71 have won the National Medal of Science, 17 have won the Fields Medal in mathematics, and 23 have won the John Bates Clark Medal in economics, including every winner since 2007. A database of current and former Sloan Research Fellows can be found at <u>https://sloan.org/fellows-database</u>.

Fellows from the 2024 cohort are drawn from a diverse range of 51 institutions across the U.S. and Canada, including large public university systems, Ivy League institutions, and small liberal arts colleges. "We thank all the outstanding and forward-thinking institutions that nominated faculty for the Sloan Research Fellowship," says Daniel L. Goroff, director of the Sloan Research Fellowship Program. "We are proud to partner with them in recognizing, supporting, and uplifting the next generation of scientific leaders."

Open to scholars in seven fields—chemistry, computer science, Earth system science, economics, mathematics, neuroscience, and physics—the Sloan Research Fellowships are awarded in close coordination with the scientific community. Candidates must be nominated by their fellow scientists and winners are selected by independent panels of senior scholars based on a candidate's research accomplishments, creativity, and potential to become a leader in their field. More than 1,000 researchers are nominated each year. Winners receive a twoyear, \$75,000 fellowship which can be used flexibly to advance the Fellow's research.

Nominations for the 2025 Sloan Research Fellowships will open on Monday, July 15, 2024.

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