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The AACR-Pezcoller International Award for Cancer Research is given biennially to a scientist who has made a major scientific discovery in the field of cancer. The Pezcoller Foundation was established in 1982 by Professor Alessio Pezcoller, a dedicated Italian surgeon who has made important contributions to medicine during his career and who, through his foresight, vision, and generous gift in support of the formation of the Foundation, stimulated others to make significant advances in cancer research. Over the past decade the Pezcoller Foundation has given a major award for outstanding contributions to cancer and cancer-related biomedical science.

The American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) was founded in 1907 by eleven physicians and scientists dedicated to the conquest of cancer and now has over 13,000 members in more than 60 countries who are experts in basic, clinical, and translational cancer research. The AACR fulfills its mission - the communication of important scientific results - in a variety of forums including publications, meetings, and training and educational programs. Because of their joint commitment to scientific excellence in cancer research, the Foundation and the AACR have now agreed to collaborate on the presentation of this award. This will strengthen their already well-established relationship and facilitate international collaborations and interactions.

The awardee will be selected by an international committee of AACR members appointed by the AACR President with the agreement of the Council of the Pezcoller Foundation. While normally the Award will be presented to a single investigator, in exceptional cases two individuals may be selected to share the award when their investigations have resulted in related prizeworthy work. The committee will make its selection solely on the basis of the awardee's scientific accomplishments without regard to race, gender, nationality, or religious or political views. The candidate will give an award lecture during the AACR Annual Meeting in New Orleans, USA (March 28-April 1, 1998) and will receive the award in a ceremony at the Foundation's headquarters in Trento, Italy, right after the annual meeting. The award consists of an honorarium of US\$100,000 and a commemorative plaque.

The Foundation and the AACR are now soliciting nominations for the 1998 Award. Nominations can be made by any scientist who is now or has been affiliated with an institution engaged in cancer research. Institutions or organizations are not eligible for this award, and candidates may not nominate themselves.

There is no official application form for this award. The nomination package should consist of the following:

- the candidate's curriculum vitae
- an indication of the most important references in the candidate's curriculum vitae and list of publications
- a letter of recommendation in English (500 words, maximum) describing the candidate's major scientific achievements and explaining the impact of these achievements on progress in cancer research

Nominators are asked to maintain the confidentiality of the nomination process and to refrain from informing the candidate about the nomination.

The deadline for receipt of nominations by the AACR is **September 30, 1997**, for consideration for the 1998 Award. Questions about the nomination process should be directed to the AACR Office via FAX at (215) 440-9313 or Email at aacr@aacr.org. Nominators should submit the original plus 12 copies of their nominations to

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