



RSTMH Alfred Chalmers Medal Guidelines and Criteria

Dr Alfred John Chalmers MD, FRCS, DPH was born in Manchester in 1870 and began his distinguished tropical career in Ghana where he worked from 1897 to 1901. He spent the following ten years in Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) before becoming a Holt Fellow of University College, Liverpool. From 1913 to 1920 he was Director of the Wellcome Research Laboratories in the Sudan. He died in Calcutta on 05 April 1920.

In 1921 Mrs Chalmers, widow of Dr Chalmers gave £500 to RSTMH in memory of her husband. The Trustees decided to devote this money to the foundation of the Chalmers Memorial Medal.

Dr Chalmers was an investigator who took a great interest in the work of younger researchers, always ready with help and encouragement. With this in mind, the Chalmers medal is awarded only to researchers aged 46 or under. The Trustees particularly invite nominations demonstrating evidence of mentoring, professional development of junior investigators, and other forms of capacity-building in line with Dr Chalmers' own values.

Only RSTMH Fellows (members) are eligible to nominate and be nominated for this award. [See our membership pages for more information about joining online.](#) Subscriptions start at £80 per year, with significant discounts available for student and people living and working in low and middle-income countries.

Self-nomination, with a supporting statement from another RSTMH Fellow (member) is permitted

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Policy applicable from April 2017
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