



Call For The 2027 WASOT Fellowship Nominations

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP AND HONORARY FELLOWSHIP

West African Society of Toxicology (WASOT)

The West African Society of Toxicology (WASOT) invites nominations for Fellow and Honorary Fellow. These distinctions recognize significant contributions to toxicology, particularly in West Africa. WASOT Fellows are elected for life through peer review based on publication excellence, innovation, leadership, and contributions to policy and society.

1. Fellow of WASOT (FWASOT)

The title of Fellow is awarded to active, long-standing WASOT members in recognition of distinguished professional achievement and service to the Society and the field.

1.1 Eligibility Criteria

- Current, paid-up Full Member of WASOT for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive years.
- Minimum of fifteen (15) years of professional experience in toxicology or a closely related field after a terminal degree (e.g., PhD, MD, DVM).
- Significant contributions to toxicology, particularly within West Africa.
- Published research papers in reputable scientific journals.
- Active participation in WASOT activities and events.

Nominees must demonstrate sustained excellence and leadership in at least three (3) of the following areas:

I. Research and Scholarship

- Distinguished record of peer-reviewed scientific publications in national and international journals.
- Innovative research that has advanced toxicology.
- Competitive research grants and leadership of successful research teams.

II. Teaching and Mentoring

- Excellence in teaching toxicology at undergraduate or postgraduate levels.
- Successful mentorship of students, interns, or early-career toxicologists.
- Development of toxicology curricula, courses, or educational materials.

III. Professional Practice and Leadership

- Significant contributions to regulatory toxicology, risk assessment, or public health policy.
- Leadership in governmental, industrial, or consulting bodies where toxicological expertise is vital.
- Application of toxicology to real-world problems in West Africa, including chemical safety, poison control, and environmental remediation.

IV. Service to WASOT and the Scientific Community

- Sustained and significant service to WASOT, including Council/Executive service, committee leadership, scientific meeting organization, or international representation.
- Active participation in other national or international scientific societies.
- Editorial responsibilities for reputable scientific journals.



2. Honorary Fellow of WASOT (*HonFWASOT*)

Honorary Fellowship is conferred on individuals of exceptional distinction in toxicology or a related science who are not members of WASOT and whose work has had a profound impact on the field, particularly in relation to WASOT's goals and mission. Nominees may include eminent international scientists, esteemed public servants, or visionary leaders.

2.1 Eligibility and Basis for Nomination

- WASOT membership is not required.
- Preeminence in toxicology, public health, environmental science, or science policy through sustained, high-level accomplishment.
- Monumental contributions to toxicological science aligned with the interests of West Africa.
- Exceptional service or support that has significantly advanced the mission and visibility of WASOT.
- Pivotal role in shaping national or international policies related to toxicology and chemical safety.
- Long-standing commitment to scientific capacity building and collaboration in West Africa.
- Outstanding contributions to toxicology, particularly in West Africa, with international recognition.
- Mentorship and support for young scientists in toxicology.

3. Nomination and Submission Process

Submit a complete nomination package as a single PDF file to info@wasot.org by 27th November 2026.

3.1 Required Nomination Package

- Completed nomination form with detailed information on the nominee's qualifications and contributions.
- Primary nominating letter (maximum two pages) stating the nomination category and presenting the case for election with reference to the applicable criteria.
- Seconding letter endorsing the nomination and providing complementary perspectives.
- Up to two (2) additional letters of support from distinguished scientists (optional but recommended).
- For Fellow nominations: proof of ten (10) consecutive years of WASOT membership, such as membership number and a statement from the Secretariat.
- Curriculum Vitae or résumé.
- List of publications.
- Letters of recommendation/support as required by the nomination package.

4. Selection and Election

- The WASOT Fellows Selection Committee reviews all complete nomination dossiers.
- Nominees are evaluated against the published criteria and the evidence submitted.
- Committee recommendations are presented to the WASOT Governing Council for final voting.
- A maximum of seven (7) Fellows and three (3) Honorary Fellows may be elected in any given year.

5. Important Dates

Call for Nominations Opens	1 st October 2026
Nomination Deadline	27 th November 2026
Notification of Applicants	21 st December 2026
Conferment of New Fellows	WASOT Annual Conference, 25 th March 2027

6. Contact

For inquiries regarding the nomination process, contact the WASOT Secretariat at info@wasot.org.



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Application Form

Nomination of Fellow and Honorary Fellow West African Society of Toxicology (WASOT)

Fellow of WASOT (*FWASOT*) / Honorary Fellow of WASOT (*HonFWASOT*)

I. Nomination Details

Nomination Category

WASOT General Section/Discipline (e.g., Regulatory Toxicology, Ecotoxicology, Clinical Toxicology, etc.)

Year of Nomination

II. Information of the Nominee

Full Name (Title, First Name, Middle Name, Last Name)

Current Professional Title and Affiliation

Current Mailing Address

Email Address

Phone Number



Application Form — Continued

II. Information of the Nominee (continued)

WASOT Membership Status (Member / Associate Member / Non-Member for HonFWASOT)

Year

Highest Degree Attained

Total Years of Experience in Toxicology or Related Field

III. Information of the Nominator and Seconders

For **FWASOT**, both the Nominator and Seconders must be Full WASOT Members or current WASOT Fellows (*FWASOT*). For **HonFWASOT**, one of the Nominators and Seconders must be a Fellow/Council Member.

A. Nominator's Information

Full Name

Affiliation

Signature

WASOT Membership/Fellow ID

Email

Date

B. First Secunder's Information

Full Name

Affiliation

Signature

WASOT Membership/Fellow ID

Email

Date

C. Second Secunder's Information

Full Name

Affiliation

Signature

WASOT Membership/Fellow ID

Email

Date



IV. Justification for Nomination

Provide a detailed written statement (maximum 250 words) explaining how the nominee meets the specific criteria for the selected Fellowship category.

A. Rationale for Nomination — Both Categories

Summarize the nominee's career and achievements in toxicology and related fields, emphasizing impact within West Africa and internationally.

B. Specific Criteria Addressed

1. Fellow of WASOT (*FWASOT*)

- **Scholarly and Scientific Accomplishments:** Describe outstanding and sustained achievements in research, publications ({H-index; i-index}, key papers), and application of toxicology, with specific examples of contributions to toxicology knowledge.
- **Leadership and Service to WASOT/West Africa:** Detail active involvement and leadership roles within WASOT, including Council membership, committee chairing, and conference organization, as well as contributions to toxicology education, policy, practice, and mentorship of early-career scientists.
- **Recognition and Peer Esteem:** List major awards, honours, or professional recognition received.

2. Honorary Fellow of WASOT (*HonFWASOT*)

- Describe the nominee's distinguished service, advocacy, or financial/strategic support that has significantly advanced WASOT's mission or the field of toxicology in West Africa.

V. Required Supporting Documentation

- Curriculum Vitae (CV) of the nominee — maximum 10 pages, highlighting achievements relevant to the WASOT Fellowship criteria.
- Statement of support from the nominator clearly outlining how the nominee meets the criteria.
- Letters of support from each seconder, with each letter providing an independent and distinct justification.
- List of the nominee's top five (5) publications/achievements, with a brief explanation of their significance.
- Evidence of WASOT membership dues payment (for FWASOT nominees).

VI. Declaration

I declare that the information provided in this nomination form and all accompanying documents is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and correct.

Date

Nominator's Signature

NB: It is the Nominator's responsibility to ensure that the complete package, including all support letters, is submitted by the deadline.