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The medal is awarded for the best original work by a British ophthalmologist published in any journal during the last three years.

The award will be presented at the RCOphth Congress, Monday 23 to Thursday 26 May 2022, in Glasgow. The award winner is expected to present a talk to explain the impact of the research and how it has contributed to change.

# Application criteria:

The applicant should be British, a member of The Royal College of Ophthalmologists, and the work should have been undertaken under the auspices of a British institution.

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* This will primarily be based upon the quality and importance of the science
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