COBRE Rising Star Award

The COBRE Rising Star Award recognizes individuals who exemplify ideals of research excellence and commitment to mentoring, and who have established independence through a COBRE program.

Eligibility. Candidates must be nominated by a COBRE PD/PI and have established independent investigator status (R01 funding or equivalent) through support from a COBRE program. Candidates must have a strong publication record and a demonstrated commitment to mentoring and teaching. Candidates are required to attend the conference for award eligibility. Nominees are required to attend the conference to be eligible to receive this award.

Nomination Process. Nominations require a Letter of Recommendation (LOR) from a COBRE PD/PI and a Curriculum Vitae (CV) for the candidate.

- The LOR should be on letterhead and signed by the COBRE PD/PI.
 The LOR should outline how the candidate exemplifies the ideals of research excellence and a commitment to mentoring the next generation of scientists.
- The CV should be current and include internal/external funding as well as other research highlights.

Nominations should be submitted **no later than April 15, 2024, at 11:59 PM ET.** All required documents should be submitted as a single PDF using the **Award Nomination** form on the conference website.

<u>Selection Process.</u> The winner will be chosen by the organizing committee based on nomination materials. The following guidelines will be used to select candidates for this award:

- 1. Receipt of independent funding as a direct result of COBRE support.
- 2. Scientific recognition such as positions, awards, and/or honors
- 3. Evidence of research productivity such as grant or foundation awards, peer-reviewed publications, scientific presentations, and/or research related service.
- 4. Evidence of successful mentoring of students and postdoctoral fellows.

Winners will be announced in-person at the Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, June 19th. Nominees are required to attend the conference to be eligible for an award and must be present at the awards ceremony to receive an award.