

The Ragai Ibrahim Award

Have you particular pride in one of your current students for the great paper she/he published this year? Do you know of a current student or a student who graduated in 2008/2009 who published an impressive paper in 2009? Give them further recognition for their great efforts by nominating them for **The Ragai Ibrahim Prize for best student paper**. The nomination is a simple process, you need only be a member of the Society. See the details below. Don't procrastinate, do it now! You'll get a great deal of pleasure out of their winning the award.

Criteria: A peer reviewed paper either in print or on line will be nominated by the supervisor of the student, and will be evaluated on the impact or potential impact that work will have on plant science. The nominated student will be the first or primary author of the work, and the paper must be based on work that the nominee performed as a student (graduate student or undergraduate). The nominee must be a member of the CSPP.

The award is based on the calendar year (January 1 to December 31). Nominations are due by January 31 of the following year. The nominee must be a student, or alternatively, have completed their graduate/undergraduate program no more than 12 months prior to the date of publication of the paper. Each year there will be one winner and an honorable mention.

Nomination: Send a PDF copy of the paper to the Chair of the Ibrahim Award Committee at IbrahimAward@cspp-scpv.ca by **January 31**. Please include a brief summary of why the paper merits consideration for the award (one page maximum on official letterhead), and indicate whether the nominee is still a student or whether they have completed their program (please indicate date of completion). The contribution of the candidate must be fully described on any multi-authored paper, i.e., the intellectual contribution to the design of the experiments, the contribution to each figure and table in the manuscript and the contribution to the writing of all parts of the manuscript. The winner of the prize will be decided by March 1, and the winner will be notified. The award will be presented at the CSPP Annual Meeting.

Value of Prize: The winner will receive a framed certificate and a cheque for 350 dollars.

Rob Hill

Chair of the Ragai Ibrahim Award Committee