
RE: DR. FRANCIS X. WITKOWSKI PUBLICATION AWARD 2024

Dr. Francis Witkowski was an innovative scientist who was on the cutting edge of technology. This technology positioned Dr. Witkowski as a world leader in mapping the electrical alterations that occur in the heart during ventricular fibrillation. His advances in the use of optical imaging to map cardiac electrical activity provides an important new approach to the study of ventricular fibrillation.

To remember and honor this innovative approach to science the Cardiovascular Research Group, the Division of Cardiology and the Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute created the Dr. Francis X. Witkowski Publication Award.

Award Criteria

This award will be given to a young investigator and will favor innovative or technologically-based science for a research article published, in press or submitted for publication, in a peer-reviewed journal within the last 12 months. The quality and potential impact of the article will be judged by a panel of scientists/clinicians from the University of Alberta's Cardiovascular Research Institute.

Eligibility and Application

Graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, or residents training in the cardiovascular field at the University of Alberta are invited to apply for this award.

To apply, **submit a single pdf document** to cvri@ualberta.ca consisting of:

1. A recent first author research publication, and
2. A cover letter from the applicant explaining why this research is innovative and important.

Applications must be received by May 15, 2024.

The successful applicant will be announced at the [Cardiovascular Research Institute's Research Day, June 7, 2024](#) and receive a \$1000 prize.