**SMA Young Investigator Award**

Program description and nomination procedure

# Nominations for *SMA Young Investigator Award*

To submit a nomination, please fill in the Nomination Form and submit it via email (as explained below).

# Outline

In 2019, the Solid Modeling Association (SMA) has introduced the title of *SMA Young Investigator Award* to recognize outstanding accomplishments, particularly outstanding published papers in the area of Solid Modeling, by researchers of 40 years or younger. Eligibility requires that the nominee not turn 41 in the year the award is presented.

# Nomination process

To nominate a candidate for the distinction of *SMA Young Investigator Award*, please fill in the nomination form provided on the SMA web site and **email it to both the current Chair of the SMA (**Jessica Zhang, jessicaz@andrew.cmu.edu**) and the current Chair of the SMA Award Committee** (Sai Nelaturi, [Saigopal.Nelaturi@parc.com](mailto:Saigopal.Nelaturi@parc.com)). A nominator can only nominate one candidate for each award. A candidate can only be nominated for one SMA award in a particular year. Self-nomination is not accepted. The current SMA EC members are not eligible for nominating or being nominated any SMA awards.

Each year, the nomination deadline and the emails of the chair of the SMA Award Committee will be announced via email to SMA members and will be posted on the SMA website.

# Selection process and announcement

Each year, the nominees will be selected from all the submitted applications via a vote of the *SMA Young Investigator Award* Committee. The chair of that committee will be appointed each year by the chair of the SMA. The members of the committee will be appointed jointly by the Chair of the SMA and the Chair of the SMA Award Committee. The details of the nomination and voting process are left to the discretion of the Chair of the Committee. Each year, the list of people who received the *SMA Young Investigator Award* distinction will be announced at the SPM conference and will be posted on the SMA website.