



Call for nominations for the Osman Hill Memorial Lecture 2024

Deadline: 9th August 2024

The Primate Society of Great Britain (PSGB) is seeking nominations for the 2024 Osman Hill Memorial Lecture, which honours a 'distinguished primatologist' who will be awarded the Osman Hill Memorial Medal and deliver a prize lecture at a Society meeting.

Criteria:

The Society defines distinguished primatologists as those who have shown excellence in research and by doing so have made a substantial, original, and lasting contribution to the discipline. Our selection of the Osman Hill Memorial Lecturer will consider primatologists working across the discipline. Theoretically-driven investigations of living or extinct primates and applied research aimed at the conservation of primates in the wild or the improvement of their welfare in captivity are equally worthy of this recognition.

Also taken into account are:

- Service to education, for example mentoring the next generation of primatologists including post-graduate students and post-doctoral scholars.
- Engagement beyond the academy and PSGB, including conservation education and campaigning, and public engagement.
- Service to PSGB on council or as an officer.

Eligibility:

- Must hold a doctorate or be of equivalent academic standing.
- Must have published peer-reviewed research in the field of primatology.
- Can be from any nationality, country of origin and residence.

- Do not need to be a current member of PSGB.

We recognise the uneven distribution of resources in primatology and that there are large sections of the primatology community whose excellence is often overlooked because of who they are or the resources they have access to. We will take this into account when assessing nominations.

Further notes:

We recognise that primatology is a global field with important contributions from a diverse group of people from all over the world. We seek a diverse set of nominees to reflect this fact.

How to nominate someone for the Osman Hill Memorial Lecture?

Any PSGB member (student, associate and full members) can nominate someone for the Osman Hill. They simply have to write a letter to the Society's Council explaining how and why the person they are nominating fits the criteria, providing evidence to back up these points.

Nomination letters should be no more than one side of A4 (at least 11.5 pt Calibri, 'Normal' margins, single-spaced) and should be submitted to Dr Pawel Fedurek (secretary@psgb.org) by 9 August 2024.

We do not require a CV and you do not need to inform the person you are nominating. Each nomination will be considered on its content, so we will not take account of how many nominations someone has received. Multiple PSGB members can co-sign a nomination letter.

All nomination letters will be reviewed by the PSGB Council and their decision communicated to the members who submitted them by 9 September 2024. The nominee who is selected as the recipient of the Osman Hill Memorial Lecture medal will also be notified and invited to schedule their lecture for an upcoming meeting of the Society.

History

PSGB established the Osman Hill Memorial Lectures in 1977, to commemorate the influential anatomist and primatologist William Osman Hill, who died in 1975. Past lecturers are listed [on the PSGB website](#).

You can also view the last two lectures on [our YouTube channel](#).