

## ASCLD FRC Innovation Award 2021



The Forensic Research Committee of the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors announces the **Second Annual Innovation Award**. The goal of the award is to recognize activities highlighting new technologies, protocols, or tools that impact the operational forensic science laboratory.

**Award:** the winner will be recognized at the ASCLD Annual Symposium and will receive a plaque. The awardee will receive an individualized electronic award icon that can be used on letterhead, reports, e-mail signatures, etc.

**Eligibility:** open to scientists from all disciplines such as Bio/DNA, drug chemistry, toxicology, fingerprints, questioned documents, trace/microscopy, firearms/toolmarks, and digital/multimedia sciences in operational forensic laboratories. The activity should have been completed within past 2 years.

### Criteria:

- 1) innovative methods, tools, and technological approaches that contribute to a forensic science discipline (Bio/DNA, drug chemistry, toxicology, fingerprints, questioned documents, trace/microscopy, firearms/toolmarks, other)
- 2) the activity has the potential to improve the practice of forensic science
- 3) the activity has touch points to the ASCLD/FRC needs list (<https://www.asclcd.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/ASCLD-Research-Priority-Areas-2019-2021.pdf> )

Note: works that have been published in the peer-reviewed literature will receive favorable review

**Application Window:** December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 - January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### Application Process:

1. Complete the application, found at <https://www.asclcd.org/nominations/>
2. Include a 1 – 2 page description of the research, specifically addressing the criteria
3. Submit the completed application electronically to [ascldfrc@gmail.com](mailto:ascldfrc@gmail.com)

### For additional information:

<https://www.asclcd.org/forensic-research-committee/>

