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## John A. Thornton Memorial Award and Lecture

To recognize outstanding research or technological innovation in the areas of interest to AVS, with emphasis on the fields of thin films, plasma processing, and related topics.

The nominee shall have made a pioneering contribution to the science or technology of thin films, plasma processing, or related fields that advances the state of knowledge or the art to a significant and well-recognized extent. Guiding examples are found in the work of John Thornton: his contributions to the theory and practice of magnetron sputtering, his inspired determination of the zone model for sputtered materials. Recognition of recent achievement is encouraged.

In any given year an individual may provide a nominating or supporting letter for only one candidate for each award. The Award shall be granted without further restriction except that current members of the Board of Directors and the Awards Committee are not eligible. Further, no member of the Awards Committee may nominate or support any nomination. The AVS Awards Committee reserves the right to consider a candidate for a different award category.

Nominee's First and Last Name

Nominee's Business Address

Please provide complete mailing address including Institution Name, City, State, Zip and Country

Nominee's email address

Introductory paragraph to nomination: Short summary or introduction to the accomplishments or contributions upon which this nomination is based. These are to be described more fully in later sections (less than 250 words) 250 words

This online form serve as a guide to the type and amount of information the Awards Committee needs to see to evaluate nominees. It is the challenge of the nominators to tell the critical story within the context of the questions and nomination sections described for each award. It is useful to tell the story, not just present a bunch of facts. **\*\*Tell about the impact:\*\*** help the Awards Committee to know the candidate, their accomplishments, and their impact. Make sure to Read: **\*\*Tips on how to craft an effective nomination and strong support letter\*\*** by [clicking here.](<https://avs.org/AVS/media/Files/Tips-for-AVS-Award-Nominations.pdf>)

Proposed Citation (one-sentence) 30 words

**Please read the description for the award that you are submitting.**

**This section represents the substance of the entry so please be as concise, clear and informative as possible. Specific, factual, and convincing information will be the basis upon which the entry will be evaluated.**

Describe the nominee's accomplishments and their impact on the field as they relate to the award. How did the work solve a key scientific or technological problem. If the work was performed in collaboration with others the contribution of the nominee should be clearly stated. (less than 750 words) 750 words

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Other relevant research if appropriate and/or significant contributions to education, training, or management of science. (less than 500 words) 500 words

List the nominee's number of peer reviewed publications, H-factor, and total number of citations (indicating source - e.g. Web of Science, Google Scholar ...) and ten most relevant publications (including authors and titles)

List the nominee's relevant patents (Up to 10)

Describe the nominee's professional service and subsequent contributions to the scientific community, especially AVS. This section should include any professional leadership positions, committee service, editorial work, outreach and other service initiatives. **This should be more than a list of service roles. Please discuss the impact of their service on the field and community.** (less than 750 words) 750 words

Any other input that would be useful to the Award Committee. (less than 150 words). (optional)

150 words

Material may be supplied as follows:

1. Upload JPEG or PDF files. Maximum file size is 5MB per piece. A maximum of five pieces can be uploaded with your entry.
2. Please do not upload any further written material as the Awards Committee will not consider these. The written component of your entry should be fully explained within the provided fields.

The following documents must be uploaded using an **Add Attachments** button:

1. A Curriculum Vitae\* (PDF Format) which should include education, employment history, professional recognition and awards. **5 pages maximum**
2. Three Support Letters (PDF Format) referencing the criteria and their impact. Each letter should be 2 pages maximum. **Make sure to read and share with your letter writers: Tips on How to Craft an Effective Nomination and Strong Support Letters by [clicking here.](#)**
3. Full list of Publications, Patents, and Invited Talks (PDF)\*

It can be effective (not required) to organize the CV and Publication list to highlight topics, industry impact, policy leadership, or areas particularly relevant to the nomination.

Please indicate the type of document you have attached

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Photo	
CV	
Support Letter 1	
Support Letter 2	
Support Letter 3	
Abstract (STUDENT ONLY)	
Publications List	

**Supporting letters: Please be sure to address the issues listed on the right hand side of the page**

Name of First Supporter (First Name Last Name)

The signed letter of support must be on letterhead (font 11 or higher) making specific reference to the criteria. **\*\*2 pages maximum\*\*** **\*\*Tell about the impact:\*\*** help the Awards Committee to know the candidate, their accomplishments, and their impact. **\*\*Make sure to read and share with your letter writers: Tips on how to craft an effective nomination and strong support letter\*\*** by [[clicking here.](https://avs.org/AVS/media/Files/Tips-for-AVS-Award-Nominations.pdf)](https://avs.org/AVS/media/Files/Tips-for-AVS-Award-Nominations.pdf)\*\*

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