
The British Geotechnical Association Medal

2021

Rules and Notes for Entrants

The British Geotechnical Association Medal (and certificate) is awarded annually (calendar year) to the BGA member who has written or co-written the best paper published in an international journal and submitted for consideration of the award. Where more than one BGA member has contributed to the paper, the Medal will be awarded to the major BGA author. The following rules and procedures apply:

1. Papers must be submitted to the BGA for consideration. There is no short-listing of papers from selected journals.
2. Papers will only be accepted once, ie those published online one year may not be resubmitted if published in printed format the following year.
3. Only authors/co-authors who are members of the BGA in the year of the award can submit papers for consideration.
4. Only one submission from a set of BGA authors/co-authors is allowed. This does not preclude a single author appearing on more than one submission if the other papers are co-authored by different BGA members.
5. For papers with a combination of BGA and non-BGA co-authors a short statement, signed by at least one of the non-BGA co-authors, outlining the contribution(s) made by the BGA co-authors must accompany the submitted paper.
6. The papers will be judged by a sub-group of the BGA Executive Committee. They will give recommendations to the full Committee who will then make the final decision.
7. If the BGA Committee is of the opinion that none of the papers submitted is worthy of the Medal no award will be made.
8. The medal will be awarded at the Annual General Meeting of the BGA in the following year (usually in June).
9. Submissions must be made to the BGA Executive at bga@ice.org.uk by 31 January in the year following the year of publication under cover of a completed application form.