Sir John Hammond Award 2026

Awarded to those who have made significant contribution and positive impact in the UK and Ireland animal science and agricultural sectors.

The John Hammond Award was launched in 1968 and is one of the sectors' most prestigious awards.



British Society of Animal Science (BSAS)

The Society is a charity that works to improve the understanding of all aspects of animal science and to ensure research and knowledge transfer has a practical and beneficial application.

BSAS works with science and industry specialists to provide improvements in:

- the welfare and productivity of farmed animals to help produce quality, safe and environmentally sustainable food
- animal health and welfare; and the care of equine, companion and zoo animals



British Cattle Breeders Club (BCBC)

The Club aims to improve the breeding of livestock by promoting knowledge.

- By collecting, collating and distributing available information and data of practical and scientific interest.
- By promoting the exchange of all such information and data amongst breeders of cattle at home and overseas



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The award is highly selective and nominated candidates must be of high merit. Please see website for list of previous winners.

What is the prize?

£500 Invitation to present at BCBC Annual Conference

What is the application process?

A nomination needs to be supported by a minimum of two members of either the BSAS or BCBC

Please complete the nomination form and return to Maggie Mitchell by 14th February 2026

The award winner is announced at the BSAS Annual Conference

Many thanks to the Royal Smithfield Club for the donation of the trophy for the Sir John Hammond Award





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