

June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026

2026 Call for Nomination:  
**The 4<sup>th</sup> Kadar-Sheba Prize for Excellence in Research**

Dear Medical Community,

We are pleased to launch the fourth Request for Applications for the **Kadar - Sheba Prize for Excellence in Research**.

The Kadar-Sheba Prize recognizes a leading physician-scientist within Israel's healthcare and research ecosystem for their role in advancing medicine through scientific research, clinical leadership, and translational impact on patient care.

The Prize honors physician-researchers whose work bridges scientific discovery and clinical medicine - advancing research that directly informs and improves patient care. Inspired to promote and accelerate excellence in biomedical research, the Naomi Foundation partners with Sheba Medical Center to celebrate the scientific achievements of a leading physician-scientist within all Israeli medical centers and to honor her/him with the Annual **Kadar-Sheba Prize for Excellence in Research**.

The Foundation will award **\$100,000 to a single recipient**, with \$75,000 dedicated to support research and \$25,000 as a personal award to the recipient.

**Award Criteria**

Eligible for nomination are **physician-scientists** from all Israeli medical centers and fields, holding an MD or MD/PhD degree, conducting basic and/or translational research with global scientific impact, who continue to practice medicine. Applicants should fulfill the following criteria:

- High level of achievements and peer recognition of research activities.
- The main research activities are conducted in Israel.
- Nominees will be evaluated for:
  - Principal Investigators in an independent basic/translational research laboratory
  - Demonstrated translational impact of research discoveries on patient care and clinical outcomes
  - Publications in high visibility/impact scientific journals/books
  - Receiving of competitive research grants as a principal investigator

- Performance in teaching and supervising graduate students
- Active participation (delivering lectures and/or panel moderators) in important international conferences.
- Evaluations and reports from colleagues and mentees

**Submission Deadline: June 30, 2026 at 5pm IDT.**

Nominations should include a detailed curriculum vitae with a list of all publications, grants, and students mentored by the nominee; up to three letters of recommendation; and a cover letter highlighting the key achievements of the nominee. Both nominations of others and self-nominations are welcomed.

The laureate of the **Kadar-Sheba Prize for Excellence in Research** will be invited to participate in select media, storytelling, and institutional visibility opportunities related to the Prize and their work. participate in media interviews, including filming related to his/her work, as well as a meeting with the Kadar Family and a ceremony honoring his or her achievements (currently scheduled for 29.10.2026).

All applications (one PDF file) should be sent to Tsroya Hayout Lugassi:

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Sincerely,



Prof. Dror Harats  
Chair of the Prize Committee