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1. Purpose.

This regulation prescribes policies, assigns responsibilities, and establishes procedures for presenting an annual ARMY LABORATORY OF THE YEAR Award to the Research and Development (R&D) laboratory conducting the best program during the preceding fiscal year, a SPECIAL AWARD to the most improved laboratory, and an AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE to other laboratories having particularly noteworthy programs.

2. Applicability.

a. This regulation applies to all Department of the Army R&D laboratories and similar organizations (institutes, etc.) performing research and development work in R&D laboratory facilities which are more than fifty percent funded by the Army RDTE Appropriation.

b. The provisions of this regulation are not applicable to the Army National Guard or the Army Reserve.

3. Eligibility for awards.

All Army R&D laboratories and similar organizations (institutes, etc.) performing research and/or development work in laboratory facilities which are more than fifty percent funded by the Army RDTE Appropriation will be judged and rated annually in the following categories:

a. AMC R&D laboratories—All R&D laboratories in AMC.

b. Corps of Engineers laboratories—All R&D laboratories in the Corps of Engineers which are more than fifty percent funded by the Army RDTE Appropriation. (Laboratories primarily supporting and funded by the Civil Works program will not be judged.)

c. Medical laboratories—All laboratories in the U.S. Army medical Research and Development Command (USAMRDC).

d. Other laboratories—All R&D laboratories which are more than fifty percent funded by the Army RDTE Appropriation, not assigned to AMC, the Corps of Engineers, or the USAMRDC.

e. The R&D laboratories or their successor organizations to be judged and rated annually are listed below:

US Army Materiel Command

Air Mobility R&D Laboratory
Atmospheric Sciences Laboratory
Avionics Laboratory
Ballistics Research Laboratories
Benet Weapons Laboratory
Combat Surveillance & Target Acquisition Laboratory
Communications & ADP Laboratory
Edgewood Arsenal Laboratories
Electronic Warfare Laboratory
Electronics Technology & Devices Laboratory
Frankford Arsenal Laboratories
Harry Diamond Laboratories
Human Engineering Laboratory
Materials & Mechanics Research Center
Missile Command Laboratories
Mobility Equipment R&D Center
US Army Natick Development Center
Night Vision Laboratory
Picatinny Arsenal Laboratories
Rock Island Arsenal Laboratories
Tank & Automotive Command Laboratories

Corps of Engineers

Cold Regions R&E Laboratories
Construction Engineering Research Laboratory
Engineer Topographic Laboratories

Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel

Research Institute for Behavioral & Social Sciences

USAMRDC

US Army Aeromedical Research Laboratory
US Army Institute of Dental Research
US Army Institute of Surgical Research
Letterman Army Institute of Research
US Army Medical Bioengineering R&D Laboratory
US Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases
US Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine
Walter Reed Army Institute of Research

4. Criteria and evaluation.

a. The criteria for evaluation will be the degree to which each laboratory realizes its full potential impact in enhancing the capability of Army operational forces . . . based on work accomplished under the cognizance of the laboratory during the prior year.

b. The performance of each eligible Army R&D laboratory will be judged on its contributions to the Army's capability and readiness made within mission assignments during the previous fiscal year.

c. The Commander, AMC, the Chief of Engineers, the Commander, USAMRDC, and the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel shall each rate the eligible R&D laboratories under his supervision and rank them in order annually.

d. In each category the best laboratory and the laboratory which has made the greatest improvement during the previous year will be designated.

e. The best laboratory selected in each category will compete for the ARMY LABORATORY OF THE YEAR Award. The most improved laboratory selected in each category will compete for the SPECIAL AWARD. Approximately twenty percent of the laboratories in each category may be given the AWARD OF EXCELLENCE.

f. A committee appointed by the Assistant Secretary of the Army (R&D) will evaluate the laboratories and decide which laboratory has made the greatest improvement during the previous year in each category. It will recommend to the ASA (R&D) which laboratory should receive the ARMY LABORATORY OF THE YEAR Award and which laboratory should receive the SPECIAL AWARD.

5. Submission of nominations.

The Chief of Engineers, and the CDR, USAMRDC, DCSPER, and CDRUSAMC will submit their selections and rank ordering to HQDA (DAMA-ARZ-C) WASH DC 20301, by 15 October of each year.

6. Selection and presentations.

Based upon the recommendations of the committee, the ASA (R&D) will select the laboratories for the awards and approved the awards by 15 November of each year.

a. The Assistant Secretary of the Army (R&D) will present the ARMY LABORATORY OF THE YEAR Award and the SPECIAL AWARD to each laboratory so recognized.

b. The appropriate commander will present the AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE to each laboratory so recognized.

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