Call for 2016 Award Applications

Deadline: January 12, 2016

Applications are invited for the following AAI Travel Awards and Grants, which annually foster the promise and professional development of investigators of all career stages.

**Lefrançois-BioLegend Memorial Award**
Established to honor the memory of AAI member Dr. Leo Lefrançois, this award is intended to advance the career of a trainee who attends the AAI annual meeting and presents an outstanding abstract specifically in the area of mucosal immunology. The award recipient will receive a $1,000 cash award and a certificate during an awards presentation program at the AAI annual meeting. This award is generously supported through a grant from BioLegend and donations from friends and colleagues of Dr. Lefrançois.

**Chambers-eBioscience Memorial Award**
Established to honor the memory of AAI member Dr. Cynthia Chambers, this award is intended to advance the career of an early career scientist who attends the AAI annual meeting and presents an outstanding abstract specifically in the area of cancer biology. The award recipient will receive a $1,000 cash award and a certificate during an awards presentation program at the AAI annual meeting. This award is generously supported through a grant from eBioscience, an Affymetrix Company.

**Lustgarten-eBioscience Memorial Award**
Established to honor the memory of AAI member Dr. Joseph Lustgarten, this award is intended to advance the career of a mid-career scientist who attends the AAI annual meeting and presents an outstanding abstract specifically in the area of immune regulation. The award recipient will receive up to $1,250 travel reimbursement and a certificate during an awards presentation program at the AAI annual meeting. This award is generously supported through a grant from eBioscience, an Affymetrix Company.

**AAI Trainee Abstract Awards**
These awards provide up to $500–750 travel reimbursement to AAI trainee members (students and postdoctoral fellows) whose first-author abstracts submitted to the AAI annual meeting are selected for presentation in block symposia.

**AAI Undergraduate Faculty Travel Grants**
These grants assist undergraduate faculty in attending the AAI annual meeting. Each grant will also support travel costs for an undergraduate student of the recipient’s selection. A grant of up to $1,250 is awarded to the undergraduate faculty member, and a grant of up to $1,000 is awarded to the selected undergraduate student (registration for an undergraduate student is complimentary).

**AAI Laboratory Travel Grants**
These grants assist mid-career and senior investigators in attending the AAI annual meeting. Applicants must hold an appointment of associate professor, full professor, or equivalent; have limited research funding; and be a first or last author on one or more abstracts submitted to the annual meeting. Each grant will provide two travel awards of up to $1,250 each: one to the PI or laboratory director and another to a member of his or her lab, chosen by the PI or laboratory director. Recipients will be reimbursed for registration and travel expenses.

**AAI Early Career Faculty Travel Grants**
These grants assist young investigators (assistant professor or equivalent) in attending the AAI annual meeting. Recipients will be reimbursed up to $1,250 for registration and travel expenses.

**AAI Trainee Poster Awards**
These awards provide up to $300 travel reimbursement to AAI trainee members (students and postdoctoral fellows) whose first-author abstracts submitted to the AAI annual meeting are selected for poster sessions only and found to be exceptional by the AAI Abstract Programming Chairs. Selection is based on the originality and significance of the research being presented.

**Pfizer-Showell Travel Award**
This award recognizes the professional promise of an early career investigator (assistant professor or equivalent) by assisting the award recipient with travel to the AAI annual meeting. Selection is based on career progress and submission of an outstanding abstract selected for oral presentation in a block symposium at the meeting. The award recipient will be recognized and presented with a certificate at an awards presentation program at the AAI annual meeting. Support of up to $1,500 will be provided for meeting registration and travel. This award is supported through an endowment from Henry J. Showell and Pfizer, Inc.

**AAI-Thermo Fisher Trainee Achievement Awards**
These awards recognize up to six promising trainees in the field of immunology. Selection is based on career promise and presentation of an outstanding first-author abstract selected for oral presentation in a block symposium. Awardedes will receive a $1,000 cash prize and reimbursement for meeting expenses. These awards are generously supported by Thermo Fisher Scientific Corporation.

For complete AAI Travel Award and Grant application details, visit www.AAI.org/Awards.

The 2016 AAI Awards will be presented in conjunction with

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Questions? Contact AAI at 301-634-7178 or awards@aai.org
Important Dates for Two AAI Awards Programs

AAI Programs to Benefit Your Lab’s Current or Future Research

AAI Careers in Immunology Fellowship

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These fellowships provide AAI member PIs with one year of salary support for a graduate student or postdoctoral fellow in their labs. Member PIs in good standing with less than $250,000 (excluding PI’s salary) in annual direct costs are eligible to apply.

Selection is based on the potential of the trainee, merit of the project, quality of the training environment, and financial need.

Direct inquiries to fellowships@aai.org.

AAI Travel for Techniques Award Program

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The Travel for Techniques Award is given to member PIs, reimbursing up to $1,500 in expenses for travel to learn a new technique. Member PIs in good standing with less than $250,000 (excluding PI’s salary) in annual direct costs are eligible to apply.

Direct inquiries to tft@aai.org.

These two exciting awards programs were launched by the American Association of Immunologists in 2014, adding significantly to its already robust support for scientists through fellowships, career awards, and travel grants. For more information, visit www.aai.org/awards.
AAI Career Advisory Board

Starting your first lab? Facing new and puzzling issues? If so, you probably wish to turn to a more senior scientist for guidance—but perhaps not one at your own institution. The AAI Career Advisory Board (CAB) is tailored specifically for you.

The CAB is a referral service to match early faculty who submit requests for guidance on specific career issues with more senior PIs having experience and insight in those areas, excluding members of your own faculty. You may also specify individuals not to be contacted on your behalf.

**Eligibility:** Although the CAB is sponsored by the Committee on the Status of Women, it is open to all early-faculty AAI members, both men and women.

**Advisors:** A pool of senior scientists—men and women—are volunteering to be “on call.” Topics include recruiting, handling personnel issues, timing for first grant submissions, building networks, teaching, balancing family and work, serving on NIH study sections, and more.

Visit www.aai.org/About/Leadership/Committees/CSOW/Career-Advisory-Board.html to submit a request.
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