American Committee of Molecular Cellular and Immunoparasitology (ACMCIP) Exchange Fellowship Award

ACMCIP Exchange Fellowship
Generous funding from our ASTMH parent body, along with your membership contributions, has allowed us to continue this award for 2024. It is aimed at all levels of trainees, including junior independent researchers seeking to gain new or additional research skills by visiting laboratories that employ cutting-edge methods. The trainee must be or become an ASTMH and ACMCIP member.

Goals
To enhance trainees’ access and opportunities to develop expertise in emerging technologies that can prove pivotal to their research, gain hands-on skills, build collaborative relationships and expand career opportunities.

Funding
This award, up to $500 for domestic travel and up to $2,000 for international travel, will aid trainees in augmenting their MCIP studies by supporting travel to or from an ACMCIP member’s laboratory. Award will be made via ACH or wire transfer to the recipient in June 2024.

Selection
The recipient will be chosen on the basis of research excellence and the relevance of the technology to their training and research. Following completion of the travel, the awardee will write a brief report on their participation and an evaluation of the learning experience and will summarize that experience at the next scheduled ACMCIP Council Meeting.

Public Announcement
The award will be issued in June and accommodations will be made to transfer funds via ACH or wire transfer to allow ample time to arrange the exchange. The award will be formally honored at the ACMCIP Annual Business Meeting and announced during the ASTMH Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA.

Eligibility
• Open to any researcher who is a trainee (a student - MS, MD, DPharm, PhD, post-doctoral fellow or research professor or junior faculty within six years of graduation from their final degree)
• Must be a member of ASTMH and ACMCIP. Not a member? Join today.

Submission details:
• Cover letter describing their current research project; why the selected host laboratory and technology were chosen; and how it will benefit their research and career plans. The applicant must identify a specific host laboratory and learning goal at the desired laboratory.
• CV
• Letter of recommendation from their current supervisor explaining the importance of the course to the trainee’s research. The letter should indicate whether or not additional funds will be available to supplement the award and, if funds are unavailable, how the benefits gained by the exchange will be implemented.

• Letter from the identified host laboratory (lab head or senior scientist) agreeing to accept the applicant for the desired training period supported by the award.

• High resolution headshot photo

• Submit the application through the ASTMH award submission site.
  o Applicants are strongly advised to have the full contact information for said supervisor prior to starting the online submission.
  o It is the applicant’s responsibility to communicate with their supervisor to ensure that they have received the email generated by the submission site and has uploaded the letter by the May 6, 2024 deadline.
  o After entering all information into the application - including the cover letter and CV - and after the supervisor has uploaded the recommendation letter, please go to the REVIEW SUBMISSION page and scroll to the bottom. If all information has been entered correctly, applicants will see a drop-down menu at the bottom of the page. Select COMPLETE and hit SAVE.
  o NOTE: After May 6, applications without the required letter of recommendation will be considered incomplete and will not be forwarded to the review committee.

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