

AAI Trainee Abstract Awards

Deadline: **January 22, 2010**



DESCRIPTION

This award provides \$500 to AAI Trainee Members (students and postdoctoral fellows) whose first-author abstract submitted to the AAI Annual Meeting is selected for oral presentation in a Block Symposium. Attendance at the meeting is mandatory and the first author must make the abstract presentation.

ELIGIBILITY

Any AAI Trainee Member whose first-author abstract submitted to the upcoming AAI annual meeting is selected for presentation in a Block Symposium (oral session) is eligible. (Exception: late-breaking abstracts do not qualify submitter for award consideration.) Successful candidates must be the first author and an AAI Trainee Member in good standing as of **January 22, 2010**. If you are not yet a Trainee Member, visit www.aai.org/membership/trainee.htm to join.

How to Qualify — FAQs

Q: What does it mean to be selected for a Block Symposium?

A: Every abstract submitted to the meeting is reviewed by AAI members expert in that field. These Block Chairs select outstanding abstracts for oral presentation at the meeting. This honor highlights exciting science.

Q: How do I indicate I want to be considered for this award?

A: Simply select the option that indicates you are willing to make an oral presentation at the meeting. NOTE: If you select "POSTER ONLY", you will NOT be considered for this award.

Q: If I am selected for an oral session and cannot attend the meeting, will I still get the \$500?

A: No, sorry. Conditions of the award require that you attend the meeting and make the presentation in person.

Q: Can someone else make my presentation for me?

A: Occasionally someone else makes a presentation due to a legitimate emergency situation; however, the cash award will not be given to them or to the author who does not present.

Q: What if I have more than one abstract and they are BOTH selected for an oral presentation in Block Symposia?

A: Then you will receive two awards! (No individual may receive more than two (2) awards.)

Q: I think I am already a Trainee Member (or I used to be)! How can I check?

A: Send an email to infoaai@aai.org and AAI staff will let you know.

Q: I don't have any publications yet. May I still become a Trainee Member?

A: Yes! There is no publication requirement! You must be enrolled in a graduate program and have an advisor or Department Chair vouch for you, and sign the [Trainee Certification Form](#).

Q: How much does it cost to become a Trainee Member?

A: \$64 for the year – and this includes a personal subscription to *The Journal of Immunology* (electronic access), a subscription to the *AAI Newsletter*, reduced registration fees to AAI meetings and courses, regular AAI mailings and e-mail alerts, and more.

Q: How long do I have to wait to become a Trainee Member?

A: Trainee members are approved and enrolled as soon as we receive a completed application, a signed [Trainee Certification Form](#), and payment.

To submit an abstract, register for the meeting, or secure housing, go to www.IMMUNOLOGY2010.org/.