

# AAI Minority Scientist Travel Awards

## Faculty Mentor and Minority Trainee Travel Awards

Deadline for 2010 Applications: **January 22, 2010**



### DESCRIPTION

This program provides registration and travel support for attendance at the AAI Annual Meeting to eligible mentors and trainee members. *This award is funded by a grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health [FASEB MARC Program: T36-GM08059-27].*

### ELIGIBILITY

This award provides funding for a mentor and up to two of his or her underrepresented minority trainees (graduate student or postdoctoral fellow) to attend the AAI Annual Meeting for the first time. Qualified minority groups underrepresented in the biomedical sciences, as determined by the NIGMS include: African Americans, Alaskan Natives, Hispanic Americans, Latinos, Native Americans (specify tribal affiliation), and Natives of the U.S. Pacific Islands (Hawaii, Guam and American Samoa). It is not required that mentors belong to an underrepresented minority group.

Also, applicants must be:

- **AAI Regular or Trainee members in good standing** (i.e. member dues paid through the end of 2010).
- U.S. citizens or permanent residents (with valid green card) of the United States or its territories.
- Graduate students\* and postdoctoral fellows\* who have or are pursuing a Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. in immunology or a related discipline.
- Submitting an abstract to IMMUNOLOGY2010™. First-time applicants will be given priority.

\***NOTE:** NIGMS guidelines determine that the trainee applicants must have or be pursuing a Ph.D. or Ph.D. combined degree. Other doctoral degrees do not meet the eligibility requirements.

Exceptions:

- Federal employees or fellows/trainees at federal facilities are ineligible to apply.
- Trainees supported by NIH Fellowship and Career Development grants (F31, F32, K-awards, etc.) are also ineligible.
- If MARC awardees receive other AAI travel support for this meeting, the amount of MARC funding will be reduced commensurately.

### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please send **all** documents as **PDF files** to [awards@aai.org](mailto:awards@aai.org). Please be aware that attachments must be no larger than 20MB. Packages that are not complete will not be considered.

Faculty mentor should submit the following in one package:

1. **Faculty Mentor and Minority Trainee Travel Award Application Form** and **AAI Trainee Certification Form**: completed and signed by the mentor applicant, certifying up to two trainees as award co-applicants. Please confirm that the applicant's full name (First, Middle Initial, Last) is printed on the form.
2. Mentor's and trainees' curriculum vitae, including education and fellowships (institution, dates, degrees) and employment history.
3. Copy of abstract(s) submitted to IMMUNOLOGY2010™.

Complete application packages must be received by 12 Midnight E.S.T. on January 22, 2010. Packages must be submitted by the mentor through email as PDF documents to [awards@aai.org](mailto:awards@aai.org). A confirmation email will be sent within 72 hours of receipt. Incomplete application packages or applications that do not comply with the stated instructions will not be considered. AAI will not accept materials sent separately or through regular mail.

Please direct application to:  
M. Michele Hogan, Ph.D., Executive Director  
The American Association of Immunologists

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