

Early Career Investigator Travel Award Winners 2014

In order to promote interest in the field of Neuroimmune Pharmacology and to recognize the excellent work being done by Early Career investigators in this field, the Society provides Early Career Investigator Travel Awards (ECITA) to graduate students and post-doctorate trainees (within 5 years of Ph.D.) working with a SNIP member and seeking funds to attend the annual conference of the Society on Neuroimmune Pharmacology. For the 2014 SNIP Scientific Conference, a total of 72 abstracts were submitted. Of which 29 graduate students and 18 post-doctorate fellows were awarded. The ECITA awards were made in 4 categories: \$750+registration waiver, \$500+registration waiver, only registration waiver, and “certificate of excellence”. In addition, the top 3 from each graduate student and post-doctorate fellow categories were selected for symposium presentation. It is worth noting that this is the highest number of awards given to Early Career Investigators, which suggests a growing trend of the society. The ECITA committee thanks the SNIP leadership for this.

ECITA Awardees	Mentor	University
Pre-Doctoral		
Ande, A	Kumar, S	University of Missouri-Kansas City
Campbell, LA	Mocchetti, I	Georgetown University
Cantres-Rosario, Y	Melendez, L	University of Puerto rico
Castaneda, JT	Roth, MD	University of California-Los Angeles
Cisneros, IE	Ghorpade, A	University of North Texas-Health Sciences Center
Festa, L	Meucci, O	Drexel university college of medicine
Gangwani, MR	Kumar, A	University of Missouri-Kansas City
Gannon, P	Jordan-Sciutto, K	University of Pennsylvania
Gofman, L	Potula, R	Temple University School of Medicine
Harrison, EB	Fox, H	University of Nebraska-Medical center
Jones, L	Maggirwar, S	University of Rochester Medical center
Jones, ME	Lysle, DT	University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
Kadri, F	Peruzzi, F	LSU Health Science center
Lebonville, C	Lysle, DT	University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
Liu, HL	Xiong HX	University of Nebraska-Medical center
Liu, X	Kumar, A	University of Missouri-Kansas City

Martínez-Orengo, N	Noel, RJ	Ponce school of medicine and health sciences
Midde, NM	Zhu, J	University of South Carolina-Columbia
Ngwainmbi, JK	Akbarali, HI	Virginia Commonwealth University
Nookala, A	Kumar, A	University of Missouri-Kansas City
Rotschafer, JH	Cheeran, MCJ	University of Minnesota, St Pal
Summers, LE	Dash, CV	Meharry Medical College, TN
Tong, H.T	Lu, YL	University of Hawaii
Torres, L.	Noel, RJ	Ponce school of medicine and health sciences
Villeneuve, L, BS	Fox, H	University of Nebraska-Medical center
Wang, F	Roy, S	University of Minnesota, St Pal
Wilshusen, RA	Mosley, RL	University of Nebraska-Medical center
Yang, Lu	Buch, S	University of Nebraska-Medical center
Zenon, F	Melendez, L	University of Puerto Rico

Post-Doctorate

Anand, V	Roy, S	University of Minnesota, St Pal
Atluri, VSR	Nair, M	Florida International University
Dalvi, P	Dhillon, K	University of Kansas Medical center
Dickens, AM	Haughey, N	John Hopkins university school of medicine
Erickson, MA	Jordan-Sciutto, K	University of Pennsylvania
Fields, J	Masliah	University of California-San Diego
Hahn, YK	Knapp, PE	Virginia Commonwealth University
Koodie, L	Roy, S	University of Minnesota, St Pal
Moran, LM	Mactutus, CF	University of South Carolina-Columbia
Nesil, T	Li, MD	University of Virginia
Northrop, NA	Yamamohoto, BK	University of Toledo College of Medicine
Persons, AL	Napier, TC	Rush university Medical center
Richards, MH	Al-Harhi	Rush university Medical center

Rivera, LE	Melendez, L	University of Puertorico
Sagar, V	Nair, M	Florida International University
Shah, A	Kumar, A	University of Missouri-Kansas City
Stauch, KL	Fox, H	University of Nebraska-Medical center
Wen, H	Singhal, P	Hofstra North shore LIJ Medical school

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