

Early Career Investigator Travel Award

**Registration Deadline Extended:
December 18th, 2015**

**22nd SNIP CONFERENCE
April 6-9, 2016
Krakow, Poland**



To promote interest in the field of Neuroimmune Pharmacology and to recognize the work being done by Early Career Investigators in this area, SNIP is pleased to sponsor Early Career Investigator Travel Awards (ECITA) for trainees attending the upcoming 22nd Conference of the Society on Neuroimmune Pharmacology. Awardees will receive a monetary award toward covering their travel expenses and a waiver of the meeting registration fee. In addition, the top-ranked applicants will be invited to present their research at the Early Career Investigator Symposium. **Guidelines for Submission of Travel Award Application:**

To be eligible for a travel award, the applicant must be:

- The presenting author on an abstract accepted for the SNIP annual meeting, and must attend the Early Career Investigator Poster Session.
- Working with a member of SNIP, who serves as a mentor or collaborator on the project.

And be one of the following:

- A full-time student in a graduate program (M.S., M.P.H., Ph.D., or M.D. degree)
- A full-time participant in a medical residency or medical fellowship program
- A full-time post-doctoral fellow within five years of receiving the doctoral degree (Ph.D.) or within two years of completing residency training (M.D.)

In addition:

- To receive either a full or partial travel award, both the awardee and mentor must be current SNIP members (with up-to-date dues payments) prior to the annual meeting.
- Full travel awards will not be granted to the same trainee at the same position (pre-doc/postdoc) no more than two times in a 5-year period. Trainees may be awarded a registration waiver and/or recognition of scientific excellence.
- **Preference will be given to those investigators studying drug and/or alcohol abuse.**

To Apply for a Travel Award: Submit your abstract online on or before **12/18/2015** (<http://s-nip.org/conferences/>) and follow the directions to indicate your training status, and that you are applying for a Early Career Investigator Travel Award. You will be asked to provide a **short biosketch (NIH style including a short statement)**, so please have this information ready to submit online in PDF format prior to starting the abstract submission process.

Award Funding: Travel awards for the SNIP Early Career Investigators are sponsored by NIDA (R13 DA023184). Applications will be reviewed and scored based on scientific merit, clarity of writing, and the Early Career Investigator's biosketch as a predictor of future career potential. Persons selected for travel awards will be notified in advance of the meeting, as soon as the selection process is complete. The applicants are advised to wait until awards have been announced before officially registering for the meeting. For any question, please contact Dr. Marisela Agudelo at magudelo@fiu.edu. All awardees will receive registration waiver and in addition awardees from :

- United States and other countries from America, Asia, Australia and Africa will receive 1,000 USD.
- European Countries other than Poland will receive 300 USD.
- Other cities within Poland will receive 125 USD.

Meet-the-Mentors Event: All Early Career Investigators are required to attend the Meet-the-Mentors event which will be held during the conference. This year's event will feature an opportunity to interact with SNIP Investigators and NIH representatives while sharing a delicious meal.

Early Career Investigator Symposium: The top pre-doctoral and post-doctoral abstracts will be selected for oral presentations. This international SNIP Conference is planned to offer more oral presentation opportunities in a "speed talk" format of 5 minute presentations held as part of the Early Career Investigator Symposium.