

## Early Career Investigators Travel Awards (ECITA)

## Abstract and Travel Awards Deadline: Wednesday, January 20, 2020

We now solicit abstracts from Early Career Investigators for the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society on Neuroimmune Pharmacology scheduled to be held in New Delhi, India from April 1-4, 2020. The deadline for abstract submission is **midnight (US EST)**, Wednesday, January 20, 2020. Abstract submissions will only be accepted through the <u>online</u> submission system and the length is limited to 300 words (excluding title, authors, and affiliations). Please refer to the abstract submission pages for additional details and guidance.

SNIP will each offer a limited number of travel awards for students and postdoctoral fellows to attend and present their abstracts in special sessions. Travel grants will cover the cost of lodging and will help to defray the cost of airfare. Per diem expenses are not included. Trainees will be reimbursed after submission of expenses following the meeting. To be eligible for a travel grant, students and postdoctoral fellows <u>must meet</u> the following eligibility requirements:

**Eligibility:** All students (PhD, MD, MD/PhD), Post-doctoral fellows (<5 years since last terminal degree) are eligible. <u>A limited number of travel awards are also provided to undergraduate/Master's students and >5 years as postdoc/Instructors but are subjected to funds availability.</u> All the trainees <u>MUST</u> be standing members of SNIP. Alternatively, trainees who become members of SNIP at the time of meeting registration and abstract submission will also be considered eligible. Trainees will be asked to indicate their interest in being considered for a travel grant at the time of abstract submission. Travel grant requests must be made at the time of abstract submission and therefore must be received by the abstract submission deadline.

**Presentation:** A limited number of students, post-doctoral fellows, residents/clinical fellows/Instructors will be selected for an oral presentation from the selected abstracts. Trainees <u>MUST</u> be presenting authors on the abstracts which should be submitted by the abstract deadline.

**Recommendation:** All requests for a travel grant must be accompanied by a recommendation letter from their advisor or department chair confirming their status as a graduate student, postdoctoral fellow, Instructor. Please address the letter to *"ECITA Selection Committee-Last name"* and email to the ECITA Chair, Gurudutt Pendyala, Ph.D. at <u>snipecita@gmail.com</u>. Electronic signatures and scanned copies will be accepted. Trainees who have not confirmed their status by providing a letter from their advisor or department chair will not be eligible to receive a travel grant.

Biosketch: All requests for a travel grant must be accompanied by a current NIH biosketch or CV.

We look forward to your participation in this exciting forum.