

## The 30<sup>th</sup> Scientific Conference of the Society on Neuroimmune Pharmacology Annapolis, Maryland, May 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2026

## Early Career Investigator Travel Awards (ECITA)

Application deadline: December 15th, 2025



We are pleased to invite abstract submissions for the Society's Early Career Investigator Travel Awards (ECITA). For 30 years, ECITA has led the scientific platform of our Society on Neuroimmune Pharmacology (SNIP). SNIP leadership remains committed to promoting each of our young investigators. The competitive awards recognize outstanding scientific achievements by offering financial support and networking to selected investigators. These chosen scientists will present their work in Omaha, Nebraska, amongst colleagues and society leaders in neuroimmune pharmacology.

The <u>deadline</u> for the ECITA application (abstract, applicant CV/NIH biosketch, and a recommendation letter from the applicant's mentor) submission is <u>midnight (US EST)</u>. <u>Monday</u>. <u>December 15<sup>th</sup></u>, <u>2025</u>. Abstract submissions are accepted through an online submission system. Abstract length is limited to 300 words (excluding title, authors, and affiliations). Please refer to the abstract submission page on the SNIP website for all details: <a href="https://s-nip.org/conferences/submission">https://s-nip.org/conferences/submission</a>

SNIP will offer travel awards for students and postdoctoral fellows to present in topical and designated ECITA sessions. Travel grants will contribute to the cost of lodging and help defray the cost of airfare. Per diem expenses are not included. Trainees will be reimbursed after submitting their costs at the meeting. 2025 awardees are not eligible for a travel award. To be eligible, students and fellows must **meet** the requirements listed below.

**Membership**: Eligible PhD, MD, MD/PhD students, postdoctoral fellows, resident physicians, and fellows are or will be SNIP members upon completing registration. This is required for fee waivers for the ECITA awards. ECITA applicants may register for the SNIP meeting after ECITA announcements are made. Trainees are asked to affirm their interest in travel award consideration at the time of abstract submission. Travel grant requests are made at the time of the submitted abstract.

**Presentation**: The presenting authors of the submitted abstracts are eligible students, postdoctoral fellows, residents, and clinical fellows. The abstracts will be presented orally. Only applications (abstract, CV/NIH biosketch, and recommendation letter) that meet the abstract deadline will be considered.

**Recommendation:** A recommendation letter from the trainee's advisor or department chair confirming graduate student or postdoctoral fellow status must accompany all requests and is also due by midnight (US EST), Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Please address the letter to the attention of the "ECITA Selection Committee" and forward it to the ECITA Chair, Jerel Adam Fields, Ph.D. (<a href="mailto:iafields@health.ucsd.edu">iafields@health.ucsd.edu</a>). 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 seeing you in Annapolis, Maryland!