



The International Basic Science Mentee-Mentor Awards of the World Transplant Congress 2014 (WTC) in San Francisco, CA, United States from July 26-31, 2014 Criteria's

The Transplantation Society acknowledges the contributions of basic science to the field of Transplantation. The Basic Science Mentee-Mentor travel award recognizes the efforts of basic scientists, who have advanced our understanding of transplant science/immunobiology and or treatment of transplant recipients, as well as the importance of young investigators who will be the future leaders in transplantation. The goals of this Mentee-Mentor Travel Award are to (1) foster the training of new young investigators in the basic science of transplantation; (2) promote research in the basic science of transplantation; (3) encourage dialogue and interactions between trainees and established investigators at the World Transplant Congress 2014.

Eligibility Criteria:

The Mentee must be currently enrolled as a graduate student or receiving training as a post-doctoral fellow within 5 years of receiving his/her PhD, MD or MD/PhD degree, at the time of application, which ever is most recent. The Mentee must be conducting basic science/laboratory research, and be the first and presenting author of an accepted abstract (either oral or poster) at the World Transplant Congress 2014 (WTC).

The Mentor must be an internationally or nationally recognized basic scientist, with a strong record of past achievements in the field of transplantation at the level of Assistant, Associate or Full Professor. The mentor must be the senior author of the same accepted abstract (either oral or poster) as the mentee.

Basic science is broadly defined as work in transplantation biology ranging from pertinent basic immunology, animal studies or translational research that involves materials from human patients. Basic science on all types of organ, tissue, and cell transplants will be considered. Clinical science including Clinical Trials or Clinical Outcomes Investigations are excluded.

The Mentee and Mentor must be active member of TTS and of the participating National/International Society or have submitted an application for membership by the time of their Mentee-Mentor acceptance letter. Please note that both Mentee and Mentor must attend the World Transplant Congress 2014 in San Francisco and the Networking Event organized by the Basic science committee of TTS. Applicants not present at the Networking Event will be disqualified and not considered for the award. **There will be no exceptions.**

Application requirements:

- Evidence of Abstract Submission to WTC 2014 Congress
- Letter from Department Chair confirming the training status of the Mentee.

Application Process:

- Deadline is March 15th, 2014
- Upload Abstract submitted to WTC 2014 Congress
- Upload letter from Department Chair

****All information will be saved in a secure, password protected environment.**

IMPORTANT: No applications or supplementary documents will be accepted after the submission deadline.

When the application is complete, the applicant will receive a confirmation notice via e-mail with a confirmation number. Applicants are advised to print and keep the confirmation notice as proof of the nomination submission.

Review Process:

The Basic Science Sub-Committee will review the applications received by the submission deadline. Nominees will be notified of the outcome by **May 2nd, 2014**. Recipients will be awarded during the International Basic Science Mentee-Mentor Networking Event during the WTC 2014 Congress in San Francisco, CA, Unites States.

Funding Guidelines:

- The International Basic Science Mentee-Mentor Travel Awards are intended to support mentee-mentor attendance and participation at the WTC 2014 Congress in San Francisco. Each award to the Mentee will be in the amount of **\$1,200.00 USD for applicants from North America and \$2,000.00 USD for all applicants from other regions.**
- The registration fee for the Mentor will be reimbursed after the meeting, only if requested. Mentors must pay the registration fee; if the registration is paid from another party your registration fee will not be refunded.
- 19 Mentee-Mentor Awards will be awarded, based on the scientific excellence of the accepted abstract. Contingent upon having qualified applicants, there will be at least one award to each of the six geographical regions: Asia, Europe, Latin America, Middle East-Africa, North America and Oceania.
- Each Mentee and Mentor can only receive one award.
- Funds will be issued to the recipient and funds are not transferable from one recipient to another.