

Early Career Development Travel Awards

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QUALIFICATIONS

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The Early Career Development Travel Awards have been made possible by a generous grant from the United States Department of Energy Biological and Environmental Research (BER) program. Its purpose is to promote attendance by young scientists at the Society for Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology (SIMB) 2016 Annual Meeting.

Conditions for a Travel Award:

Recipients must be a graduate student, postdoctoral associate, or scientist within 10 years of receiving the PhD, and employed in academic or non-profit institutions.

Recipients may be domestic or international. U.S. citizenship or permanent residency is not required.

Preference will be given to underrepresented groups and to applicants who have had an abstract accepted for presentation (poster or oral session) at the 2016 SIMB Annual Meeting.

Maximum award amount is \$1000. Funds may be used for registration, travel, and lodging but not meals.

Recipients of a Travel Award must be present for the entire meeting and stay in the designated conference hotel (Sheraton New Orleans).

APPLICATION PROCESS

Complete the attached form and return it electronically in PDF format to the SIMB Awards and Honors Committee, biofuels4me@gmail.com. Applications must be received by 11:59 PM EDT on **April 30, 2016**. This deadline will be strictly enforced. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

SELECTION PROCESS

The SIMB Awards and Honors Committee shall review the qualifying applications and supporting information for adherence to the submission requirements. Award recipients will be selected based on justification, need, and whether the applicant is making a presentation (poster or oral). Award recipients will be notified by **May 15, 2016**.

Each winner receives up to \$1000 in reimbursement to help cover travel to the meeting. Attendance for the full duration of the meeting is required. Should an awardee be unable to attend the SIMB Annual Meeting, the award will be presented to another applicant.

After the meeting, awardees must obtain and submit SIMB travel expense vouchers with receipts for registration, lodging, and/or transportation within 30 days of the close of the meeting. Send vouchers and receipts by postal mail or fax only to SIMB Headquarters. Checks will then be sent to the awardees by the SIMB office.

For graduate students and postdoctoral associates, please include a letter of support from your advisor

explaining the need for aid and the support (if any) the advisor will contribute.

A) APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

Work Address:

Mailing Address (If different from work address. This is where the check will be sent, if awarded):

email:

University/Institution:

If you have completed the Ph.D., year awarded:

Amount requested (Maximum \$1000):

If you have submitted an abstract for a poster or talk, please provide abstract title and complete list of authors.

Importance of attending the conference to applicant's professional development:
(100 words)

Need for aid:
(150 words)