# **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS** and APPLICATION FOR AWARDS

58th Annual AAVLD Meeting October 22 - 28, 2015 Providence, RI

#### **Abstract Submission**

#### Deadline is June 1, 2015

Thank you for considering submitting an abstract for presentation of your work at the 2015 AAVLD Annual Meeting. According to the recent member survey, the quality of presentations in the Scientific Oral and Poster Sessions is the single most important reason for attending the AAVLD Annual Meeting. Submit your abstracts EARLY!

<u>Thomson Reuters ScholarOne</u> is the official AAVLD provider of online abstract submission and management services. To submit an abstract, login to the AAVLD 2015 Abstract Submission Site with your User ID and Password e-mailed to you by ScholarOne Abstracts (current AAVLD member, previous submitters). For non-members and if you did not receive an email from ScholarOne containing your User ID and Password, follow the instructions on the website for creating a new account. After login, follow the online instructions to submit your abstract.

Publication in the Journal of Veterinary Diagnostic Investigation (JVDI), the official journal of the AAVLD: We encourage submission of manuscripts to the JVDI based on your oral and poster presentations at the annual meeting. Manuscripts accepted by the JVDI editor after scientific peer-review will be published as refereed journal articles. Guidelines for format and style of manuscripts are published in the journal and on the AAVLD website (www.aavld.org). Authors are encouraged to submit manuscripts to the editor for processing prior to the meeting if possible.

## **AAVLD Annual Awards**

Note: NEW this year laboratory staff is encouraged to apply for AAVLD Foundation STAFF TRAVEL AWARDS and one submission will receive a BEST PRESENTATION award.

The AAVLD is soliciting applications for the following AAVLD Awards:

**AAVLD Trainee Travel Awards:** Trainees in a Master's, PhD or residency program enrolled in all disciplines in veterinary diagnostic medicine are encouraged to apply, including epidemiology, immunology, microbiology (bacteriology, food safety, mycology and virology), molecular diagnostics, parasitology, pathology and toxicology.

The \$1,500 travel awards are intended to help defray the cost of travel and lodging to attend the Annual AAVLD meeting. The Trainee Travel Awards are funded by the AAVLD Foundation and are intended to fulfill the recruitment and education mission of the AAVLD Foundation by encouraging trainee excellence in their diagnostic discipline, developing trainee presentation skills (verbal, written,

organizational) and promoting networking of trainees with veterinary laboratory diagnosticians. This year, funds are available for up to 12 travel awards.

<u>AAVLD Laboratory Staff Travel Awards</u>: Veterinary diagnostic laboratory staff in any discipline are encouraged to apply, including epidemiology, immunology, microbiology (bacteriology, food safety, mycology and virology), molecular diagnostics, parasitology, pathology and toxicology.

The \$1,500 travel awards are intended to help defray the cost of travel and lodging to attend the AAVLD Annual Meeting. The Laboratory Staff Travel Awards are funded by the AAVLD Foundation. Laboratory staff travel to the AAVLD Annual Meeting is intended to encourage laboratory staff excellence in their diagnostic discipline, promote networking of veterinary laboratorians and encourage participation in AAVLD committees. This year, funds are available for up to 6 laboratory staff travel awards.

<u>AAVLD Graduate Student Presentations Awards</u> (oral and poster presentations): The AAVLD encourages trainees in all disciplines of veterinary diagnostic medicine to apply. Veterinary diagnostic disciplines include epidemiology, immunology, microbiology (bacteriology, food safety, mycology and virology), molecular diagnostics, parasitology, pathology and toxicology. The purpose of the awards is to encourage trainee excellence in their diagnostic discipline and to develop trainee presentation skills (verbal, written, organizational).

Two awards will be selected and given during the 2015 AAVLD Annual Meeting in Providence RI, one for best oral presentation and one for best poster presentation. The recipient of each award will receive a \$500 cash prize. The AAVLD Awards Committee will select the awardees and awardees will be announced during the joint AAVLD/USAHA President's Reception and Dinner during the annual meeting.

J. Lindsay Oaks Best Student Molecular Biology Award (oral and/or poster presentations): The AAVLD invites interested trainees to submit oral/poster presentations relating to molecular biology in veterinary diagnostics. This \$500 award is given to the student delivering the best oral presentation or poster on a molecular biology topic at the AAVLD annual CE meeting. All molecular biology oral presentations and poster presenters are eligible.

**Richard Walker Best Student Bacteriology Award** (oral and/or poster presentations): The AAVLD invites interested trainees to submit oral/poster presentations relating to bacteriology in veterinary diagnostics. This \$500 award is given to the student delivering the best oral presentation or poster on a bacteriology topic at the AAVLD annual CE meeting. All bacteriology oral presentation and poster presenters are eligible.

AAVLD/ACVP Diagnostic Pathology Award for Residents/Graduate Students: The AAVLD and the American College of Veterinary Pathologists (ACVP) encourage trainees in veterinary pathology to participate in the annual meetings of both organizations. The AAVLD/ACVP Diagnostic Pathology Award for Residents/Graduate Students will be presented to graduate students and/or veterinary pathology residents for the best oral presentation in the field of veterinary pathology at the annual AAVLD meeting in Providence, RI. Part of the award is to support travel of the award winner to the next annual ACVP meeting to present the award-winning presentation at the ACVP meeting. Please visit <a href="http://www.aavld.org/mc/page.do">http://www.aavld.org/mc/page.do</a> for AAVLD meeting details.

• The awardee will receive \$1,000 from the AAVLD pathology committee to help defray travel and lodging costs associated with attending the ACVP annual meeting of the following year. The award winner must present the award-winning presentation at the ACVP meeting of the following

year in order to receive the award. The award will be given to award winner following submission of the abstract to the ACVP meeting.

• The recipient will be granted a waiver for the ACVP meeting registration fee.

All submission and award information is available on the aavld2015.abstractcentral.com site. Please click on the link to the site

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and follow the instructions. You may also access this information on the AAVLD website at <a href="https://www.aavld.org/annual-meeting">www.aavld.org/annual-meeting</a> and click the "Awards Page" tab.

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