



## **LASID SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2016 Fellowship Awards**

*The Latin American Society for Primary Immunodeficiencies (LASID) and Baxalta are pleased to announce the 2016 Fellowship Awards. These Awards will provide 4 individuals with a one-year funding in the amount of \$28,000 USD, for training and research devoted to primary immunodeficiencies.*

*The objective of the LASID Scholarship Program is to support the development of academic clinical immunology research careers of advanced fellows-in-training, who have demonstrated commitment to the study of primary immunodeficiencies as a career path in Latin America. Funding must support the education and research endeavors of this individual. These Scholarships are made possible by a generous unrestricted educational grant from Baxalta.*

***The deadline for application is October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015.  
Read the instructions carefully as applications can only be submitted ONCE.  
The deadline will not be extended.***

# AWARD APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

## ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES:

- Applicants must hold an MD, MSc or PhD degree and plan to pursue a career in primary immunodeficiency.
- Applicants must have previous training in Pediatrics or Internal Medicine, or a MSc or PhD for basic sciences in an immunology/microbiology, allergy, rheumatology, hematology/oncology or infectious disease program and be in good standing within the program.
- Applicants must be enrolled in recognized programs in their countries.
- Applicants who already have full faculty positions are not eligible.
- Applicants must be Latin American Citizens or a resident alien with a Legal Resident Status in Latin American Countries.
- The applicant, his/her director must be LASID members and comply with the LASID Registry program, registering all eligible patients on that database.

## CONDITIONS OF THE AWARD:

- The award is \$28,000 per one year: \$22,000 is used for salary support and \$6,000 may be used for laboratory materials and travel support to present their research results at the next LASID meeting in 2017.
- Award begins *January 2016* and is not renewable for the same recipient person.
- Award may only be used for salary support and direct costs.
- Recipient must make proper acknowledgements in presentations and publications resulting from the research sponsored by the award. Awardees will also notify the Grant Committee of any publications resulting from the work supported by the Fellowship Award.
- The institution is responsible for documenting its role in terms of supporting the education and research efforts as well as providing adequate research capacity, including space and equipment, for the award recipient.
- The applicant, his/her director must be LASID members and comply with the LASID Registry program, registering all eligible patients on that database. The program director must indicate the potential number of cases that will be registered by the time of the award.
- The recipient must submit a written progress report every three months and a final report to the LASID Education Committee at the conclusion of the award period. It is also expected the recipient will present the final results of their research at a future LASID Meeting.
- Awardee's institution is required to submit a financial progress report at the conclusion of the award period.
- The award is nontransferable except under unusual circumstances. To request a transfer of the award, the request must be submitted to LASID in writing. LASID and Baxalta will review the request and come to a mutually agreeable decision and notify the recipient in writing of the decision.
- The LASID may discontinue an award if it is documented that the purpose or the terms of the award are not being fulfilled. In this event, the recipient will be notified in writing of this determination, the reason, and the effective date.

## REVIEW PROCESS:

- Applications will be reviewed by members of LASID Education Committee.

- LASID Education Committee will score the applications (recusing themselves from any applications which would represent a conflict of interest). The scores will be compiled and the applications discussed on a conference call.
- Application review decisions are final.

#### **REVIEW CRITERIA:**

- Scientific merit of training program and research project
- Commitment to the field of primary immunodeficiency
- Environment and mentor
- Career plan (potential impact on the care of patients with primary immunodeficiency)

#### **SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:**

Award applications must be submitted by e-mail (online). Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

The online application will include:

- I. Applicant's Personal Statement
- II. Career Development Plans
- III. Current Training and Research Environment Description
- IV. An Outline of the Current Career Development Project
- V. Applicant Biographical Sketch
- VI. Primary Mentor Biographical Sketch
- VII. Financial Conflict of Interest Statement(s)
- VIII. Letter(s) of Recommendation

***For additional information and questions, applicants must contact:***

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