

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

2010-2011 CADR-IMHA Student Research Awards and 2011 IADR/Unilever Divisional Awards

Applications are solicited for the Student Research Awards Competition of the Canadian Association for Dental Research (CADR). Awards are supported in part by the CIHR Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis (IMHA). A maximum of seven awards will be made in the three categories listed below.

Two of the most highly ranked applicants will also receive the IADR/Unilever Divisional Award and will represent Canada in the Hatton Awards Competition sponsored by Unilever and the International Association for Dental Research (IADR). The Hatton Awards Competition will take place at the IADR/AADR/CADR meeting in San Diego, California in March, 2011. Winners of the IADR/Unilever Divisional Award will be reimbursed for airfare, hotel accommodation and registration fee for the San Diego meeting. The mentor is expected to confirm in advance that s/he will support additional expenses.

Up to 5 additional applicants will receive the CADR-IMHA Student Research Award to present their research at the IADR/AADR/CADR meeting in San Diego, California, March 16-19, 2011. Winners will receive up to \$1,500 towards their travel expenses. Awardees will be required to follow specific instructions in order to claim their travel awards. Since awards may not be sufficient to cover all travel costs, the mentor is expected to confirm in advance that s/he will support any expenses over and above the award.

Rules of the competition

Eligibility

Students and postdoctoral fellows working in dental (oral health) research in Canada are eligible to apply. To be considered, the student's research may not be published or presented at any major scientific meeting prior to the deadline for submission of IADR abstracts (October 1, 2010). Students who have previously won a CADR-IMHA Student Research Award are not eligible to reapply in that same category. All applicants must be members of CADR/IADR, or have made application for membership at the time of submitting their application.

Categories

There are three categories in the CADR-IMHA and Hatton Awards Competitions (Junior, Senior Basic Science Research and Senior Clinical Research). Applicants must indicate in which of these three categories they wish to compete.

1. Junior:

Applicants must be currently enrolled in a Bachelor's and/or dental degree. This competition will be limited to those candidates who have carried out their research as part of undergraduate or professional training (e.g., research undertaken as an undergraduate science student, as a dental student, or at a time of pursuing an intercalated science degree while in training as a dental student).

2. Senior:

Entrants must be enrolled in a post-dental, post-graduate, speciality, Masters, or PhD program or have performed the research submitted to the competition within three years of earning their PhD. The Senior Category is divided into two sections: 1) Basic Science Research, involving laboratory or animal research, and 2) Clinical Research, involving research on human subjects and/or epidemiologic studies.

Application Procedure

Students must compile the following into a single electronic document (PDF) and submit to Dr. Debora Matthews (Vice-President, CADR) by email at dmatthew@dal.ca

1. A 5-page, double-spaced manuscript describing a research project that they did themselves (it is understood that the work was done under the supervision of a faculty member). Title page, references and figures are not included in the 5-page limit.
2. The title page must include: title; authors (the student must be listed as first author); institution(s); student's name, address, phone, fax and email; supervisor's name, address, phone, fax and email; and the competition category (Junior, Senior Basic Science Research, or Senior Clinical Research).
3. An abstract in the format used by IADR. On the abstract, the student must be listed as first author and presenter. Co-authors should also be listed on the abstract and on the title page of the manuscript.
4. A letter from the supervisor verifying the submission as the student's work, clarifying the contribution of any co-authors and agreeing to provide additional travel expenses.
5. A letter from the Dean's or Faculty Office attesting to the student's status. This letter will be used to confirm the student's category in the competition.

Applications must be submitted no later than 3 September 2010.

No late entries will be accepted. All documentation must be included in the PDF application file. Winners will be announced prior to 1 October 2010, the deadline for abstract submission to the San Diego meeting.

Questions Please contact Debora Matthews by email at dmatthew@dal.ca