



American Committee of Molecular, Cellular and Immunoparasitology (ACMCIP)

Official Subgroup of the American Society of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene

Travel Award for Low and Low-Middle Income (LMIC) Trainees

The ACMCIP student travel award will recognize an international student or trainee, not based full-time in the United States or other high-income country. Priority will be given to qualified applicants primarily living and working in a [Low or Lower-Middle Income country \(L/LMIC\)](#). The applicant must be a member of ACMCIP and submit an abstract to the ASTMH Annual Meeting in the fields of molecular, cellular or immunoparasitology research. The goal is to encourage LMIC trainees who are conducting basic parasitology research and to provide funding for them to participate in the Annual Meeting.

Submitting online application – Beginning March 11, [submit your application online](#).

Application deadline – April 6, 2026

Award Information - The recipient will present their studies at the 2026 Annual Meeting (November 18-22, 2026, National Harbor, MD) and will receive *up to* \$2,000 US to help defray registration and travel costs to attend the meeting and complimentary registration. Every applicant will receive a notification of the award status in July 2026.

Eligibility Requirements

- The award is open to any researcher who is a trainee (a student - MS, MD, DPharm or PhD or post-doctoral fellow within four years of graduation from their final degree).
- Applicant must be primarily living and working in a [Low or Lower-Middle Income country \(L/LMIC\)](#), not based full-time in the United States or other high-income country.
- Applicant must be a member of ASTMH and ACMCIP. If you are not a current member of ASTMH or the ACMCIP, [join now](#). Membership must be valid through 2027 to be eligible.
- The applicant must submit an abstract to the Annual Meeting in the fields of molecular, cellular or immunoparasitology research. The award recipient will present their research either orally or as a poster during the Annual Meeting and during one of the ACMCIP scientific sessions. Applicants should plan on attending the entire meeting in person, November 18-22, 2026.

Application Process

Applicants must submit:

- A cover letter describing how the applicant's research fits with the interests of ACMCIP, and how their career will benefit from this travel award (approximately 5,000 character limit).
- Curriculum Vitae.

- Abstract with the abstract number assigned by the ASTMH abstract submission site, example: 26-A-1234-ASTMH. The abstract submission site is available [here](#) – ***Applicants should submit and pay their abstract to the online abstract submission site by the April 1 abstract deadline.***
- Recommendation letter in pdf or Microsoft Word format on letterhead from their major professor or research committee advisor. The letter should explain the importance of the trainee’s research. The applicant will upload the letter to the application portal.
- 2x2 high-resolution headshot photo to be used on signage at the Annual Meeting.

The ACMCIP Travel Award for LMIC Trainees Committee will review and select the awardee based on research excellence and the potential impact on the trainee’s research career. The awardee will be notified 2-3 months prior to the meeting, allowing sufficient time for visa processing and travel arrangements. The awardee will be invited to attend the awards session of the ACMCIP Executive Council Meeting and the President’s Reception.

Questions? Contact:

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