



# Society for **Reproductive Biology**

## **World Congress of Reproductive Biology (WCRB) Okinawa 2017 Travel Award**

### **Overview**

The Society for Reproductive Biology recognises the importance of supporting its early and mid-career members in presenting their research at prestigious international conferences.

Consequently, the purpose of this award is to provide a grant-in-aid of AUD\$2,000 for 10 Early or Mid-career researchers at the World Congress of Reproductive Biology (WCRB) in Okinawa, Japan between the 27<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

### **Definition of an Early Career Researcher (ECR) and Mid-Career Researcher (MCR)**

For the purposes of this award, Early Career Researchers are defined as being in their final year of their PhD to within eight years of the award of their PhD at the time of the application. Mid-Career Researchers are defined as being awarded their PhD greater than eight but not longer than 15 years at the time of the application. Time away from research, e.g. for maternity leave, will be taken into consideration.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- All applicants must be a financial member of the Society, and must have been so continuously since the time of the last Annual General Meeting (August 22nd, 2016).
- Applicants may only apply for this award if they have NOT sought travel support or awards for attending the WCRB 2017 from any of the following societies: CSRB, ESHRE, KSAR, SRD, SRF or SSR.

### **Application process**

- Applicants should complete the WCRB Travel award application form, and submit this along with a copy of their submitted abstract and a short curriculum vitae (no more than two A4 pages using 12 point Times font or similar).
- **Applications must be emailed (as a single PDF) to the Secretary of the Society by 5pm on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017.**
- Applications will be assessed by the committee appointed by the Council of the Society and the applicants advised of the outcome within two months, well before the Congress 'Early-bird' registration deadline.

### **Reporting**

All recipients are requested to acknowledge the travel award in their conference presentation. In addition, within two months of the completion of the travel, a short report (200-300 words, along with a photograph of the awardee) suitable for publication in the Society's Newsletter must be submitted to the Secretary of the Society. This report should outline the benefits of being a recipient of the WCRB 2017 travel award.

### **The Assessing Committee**

The assessing committee for the WCRB travel award will be chaired by a senior member of the Society for Reproductive Biology Council and will normally consist of up to five Fellows of the Society. The Assessing Committee will take into account the quality and impact of the research to be presented, the track record of the applicant relative to opportunity, as well as its potential benefit in advancing the career of the applicant.