

## VISTAKON Research Grants

**Grantor:** American Optometric Foundation/VISTAKON

**Closes:** 7/9/2010

**Maximum:** \$25,000.00

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#### Purpose

To encourage talented persons to pursue full-time careers in optometry, the American Optometric Foundation (AOF) is now accepting proposals for two research grants sponsored by VISTAKON®, Division of Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc. The AOF, in conjunction with the American Academy of Optometry Research Committee, will award these competitive grants to fund basic or clinical research in the area of soft contact lenses.

#### Awards

There will be two one-year awards: \$25,000 and \$10,000.

#### Eligibility

The \$25,000 award is open to all persons in optometry and vision science.

The \$10,000 award is limited to graduate students and postdoctoral fellows no more than five years from their terminal degree.

#### Application Deadline

The deadline for applications is July 9, 2010.

#### Application and Review Procedures

Each proposal must be submitted electronically and contain the following components.

- \* Introduction; background and significance; specific aims; preliminary studies; and study design and methods. These sections should total no more than 5 pages.
- \* References (maximum of 1 page)
- \* Budget and budget justification (maximum of 1 page)
- \* Biographical sketch(es) of Principal and one co-investigator only (maximum of 2 pages for each investigator)
  - o Education/training; research and professional experience; honors and awards
  - o Publications (refereed) for the last three years and representative earlier publications

Applications that do not follow this outline will not be considered. Proposals are reviewed by a peer review committee established by the American Academy of Optometry's Research Committee.

#### Application Submission

All proposals must be submitted by email.

#### Costs

The AOF is a non-profit organization and our policy is not to cover any overhead/indirect costs associated with Vistakon Research Grants or any other of our programs. This policy applies uniformly to all award recipients.

#### Award Conditions

Funds support research conducted for a period of one year. Recipients must submit a report of their research findings to the AOF at the end of the award period in order to be eligible for subsequent awards. Recipients are also encouraged to submit a manuscript to Optometry and Vision Science.

For additional information, contact American Optometric Foundation: (301) 984-4734.

**Link:** <http://www.aaopt.org/aof/scholarship/grants/index.asp>

**Categories:** Clinical Research, Eye, Optometry

**Audience:** Doctoral Student, Graduate Student, New Investigator, New Researcher, Novice Researcher, Postdoctoral Fellow, Student Researcher, Young Investigator, Young Scientist