

## American Society for Microbiology International Fellowship Program

**Grantor:** American Society for Microbiology

**Closes:** 4/15/2011

**Maximum:** \$5,500.00

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The ASM International Fellowship Program encourages research and training collaborations in the microbiological sciences internationally. The Program requires a joint application from two partners - the investigator and the hosting scientist.

\* A minimum of six weeks is required for participation in the program. The applicant is allowed to extend his/her stay with the host scientist for up to a maximum of 6 months if other sources of support are available. Applicants who are seeking support to extend an already extended stay, or who are unwilling to return to their home country after 6 months sojourn, are discouraged.

\* Preference will be given, in order of importance to

- Investigators who have not had the opportunity to travel outside of their own country.
- Investigators who can demonstrate three years of membership in ASM or any other national microbiology society.
- Applications that have additional sources of funding which would enable the applicants to maximize their collaborations.

The Fellowships

ASM International Fellowship for Asia

Funded by ASM this award offers a maximum of one fellowship to a promising young investigator in Asia who is within five years of obtaining, or in the process of obtaining, his/her Masters, PhD, or other equivalent academic degree, and who is working in any of the microbiology disciplines, to visit a host scientist in the US. The International Fellowship for Asia will award a maximum grant of \$5,500. The award is not intended to provide travel to obtain a degree at the host institution.

ASM International Fellowship for Africa

Funded by ASM this award offers a maximum of one fellowship to a promising young investigator in Africa who is within five years of obtaining, or in the process of obtaining, his/her Masters, PhD, or other equivalent academic degree, and who is working in any of the microbiology disciplines, to visit a host scientist in the US. The International Fellowship for Africa will award a maximum grant of \$5,500. The award is not intended to provide travel to obtain a degree at the host institution.

ASM International Fellowship for Latin America and the Caribbean

Funded by ASM this award offers fellowships to promising young investigators in South and Central America and the Caribbean who are within five years of obtaining, or are in the process of obtaining, their Masters, PhD, or other equivalent academic degree, and who are working in any of the microbiology disciplines, to visit a host scientist in the US. The international Fellowship for Latin America will award a maximum grant of \$4,000. The award is not intended to provide travel to obtain a degree at the host institution.

#### The ASM-PAHO Infectious Diseases Epidemiology and Surveillance Fellowship

Funded by the Pan American Health Organization and ASM, this award offers fellowships to young scientists from Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, or Peru, who have obtained their Masters, PhD, or other equivalent academic degree, and who have at least five years of laboratory experience in the area of antimicrobial resistance, to visit a host scientist in the US. The ASM-PAHO Infectious Diseases Epidemiology and Surveillance Fellowship will award a maximum grant of \$4,000. The award is not intended to provide travel to obtain a degree at the host institution. Funding

The International Fellowship Program provides funding to meet the costs of a visit to one institution for between 6 weeks to 6 months.

#### ASM International Fellowship for Africa ONLY:

Each award provides up to \$5,500.

#### ASM International Fellowship for Asia ONLY:

Each award provides up to \$5,500.

ASM International Fellowship for Latin America and ASM-PAHO Infectious Diseases Epidemiology and Surveillance Fellowship ONLY: Each award provides up to \$4,000.

#### Eligibility

The application must be made jointly between a host institution and the visiting fellow.

The Investigator must be:

- \* A member of ASM or any other national microbiological society
- \* Actively involved in research in the microbiological sciences
- \* Have obtained, or be in the process of obtaining, their masters, PhD, or other equivalent academic degree within the last five years
- \* A national of a resource-limited Africa, Asian or Latin American country submitting the application from an institution in their home region. Investigators from developed nations, as defined by BOTH the UN high HDI group and the World Bank high income economy group, are ineligible. Investigators submitting an application from the US where they are spending a training period are ineligible.
- \* Sufficiently proficient in the use of the English language.

The Host Scientist must be:

- \* An ASM member
- \* Actively involved in research in the microbiological sciences in the U.S.
- \* Actively involved in teaching in the microbiological sciences in the U.S.
- \* Interested in sustaining international collaborations

Preference will be given to:

- \* Applicants who can prove three years of membership in ASM or any other national microbiological society, and
- \* Applicants who have not previously had the opportunity to travel to a facility in another country.

#### Application

The application should demonstrate to the Review Committee:

- \* Academic excellence of the applicant - Honors & Awards, CV, and Letters of Recommendation
- \* Depth of the applicant's research experience - Statement of prior Research Experience
- \* Quality and originality of work proposed during the Fellowship - Potential Collaboration and Proposed Research Plan
- \* Relevance of the work proposed to the applicant's locale - Potential Collaboration and Proposed Research Plan
- \* Excellence of the host, and the research and training environment

Application Deadlines for all Fellowship programs are:

- \* April 15 (for projects taking place between July and December)
- \* October 15 (for projects taking place between January and June)

#### Application Submission

The application and all attachments and letters should be e-mailed to the ASM Office of International Affairs at [international@asmusa.org](mailto:international@asmusa.org) on or before the appropriate deadline. Applications that arrive late, or remain incomplete by the application deadline will not be forwarded for review.

Originals of all signed forms and letters should be mailed to

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International Fellowship Program  
American Society for Microbiology  
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For more information about the ASM International Fellowship Program, contact the ASM Office of International Affairs at [international@asmusa.org](mailto:international@asmusa.org).

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**Audience:** Doctoral Student, Graduate Student, Junior Investigator, Junior Researcher, Junior Scientist, Microbiologist, New Investigator, New Researcher, Young Investigator, Young Scientist