

BASL Professional Development Awards

BASL is offering two competitive awards in 2018 up to a value of £3,000 each to contribute to the costs of an international attachment in clinical liver disease (including liver transplantation and liver surgery) or research into any aspect of liver disease. Applications are open to any healthcare professional or scientist working in the field of liver disease who are members of BASL, BLNA, BLTG or BASL affiliated groups.

Selection will be based on the overall quality of the anticipated experience and the contribution it could then provide to the UK liver field, independent of applicant grade or status.

Preference will be given to those in training grades or early in their career and to those for whom other sources of funding are not available.

Applicants would be expected to have identified, contacted and obtained provisional consent for the attachment from both the unit and a unit mentor before submission. Submission should include:

Applicant

- Curriculum vitae
- Summary of career intentions
- Confirmation that an out of programme attachment or sabbatical is feasible

Attachment

- An overview of the department for the attachment and mentor credentials
- Proposed timetable of activities
- Letter of confirmation of consent for the attachment from the unit concerned

Purpose

- What the applicant would gain from the attachment
- What the applicant's home department & UK Hepatology or Liver Transplantation would gain from the attachment
- How the experience would be disseminated in the UK in addition to a presentation of experience at the BASL or BLTG Annual Meeting

Finance

- Breakdown of costs for the trip
- Other funding achieved/required

A panel of BASL, BVHG, BLNA & BLTG members will score each applicant based on their application and reserve the right to hold interviews.

Assessment criteria

Applications will be assessed using the following criteria:

Applicant:

- Commitment to career in hepatology / liver surgery / liver nursing / study of liver disease
- Potential for contribution to Hepatology / liver surgery / liver nursing / study of liver disease

Attachment:

- Logistically sound with clear objectives for learning
- Evidence of commitment from centre
- Value of attachment to the applicant's professional development

Purpose:

- Importance to candidate
- Importance to their department
- Importance to the UK liver community overall

Finance:

- Sound financial planning

Submitting your application:

The closing date for submitting your application is 17:00 on Friday 29th June 2018.

Applications should be emailed to the BASL Secretariat at judy.hawksworth@execbs.com.