

Darrell Abernethy Young Investigator Award

The Darrell Abernethy Early Stage Investigator Award is intended to foster the growth of early career scientists. This award honors the memory of Darrell Abernethy, MD, PhD, who was a leader in clinical pharmacology and a devoted advocate for discipline of clinical pharmacology. During his career, Darrell was a successful mentor to hundreds of mentees and it was his wish that any award be dedicated to helping young faculty succeed in the area of investigative clinical pharmacology.

Requirements

- The applicant must have completed a graduate degree at the time of grant award and be within 3 years of appointment as an instructor or assistant professor in either a division/department with a clinical pharmacology/translational medicine focus or have completed a fellowship focused in clinical pharmacology/translational medicine.
- The applicant must be a US/Canadian citizen or permanent resident of the US.
- An application will be made by the applicant that describes the applicant, institution, and project. The ASCPT Awards Task Force will critically evaluate these application materials.
- The applicant must be a member of ASCPT at the time of the application and receipt of the award.
- Applicants must show evidence of heading up an independent research laboratory or of being an early stage investigator with promise for a successful career.
- Applicants must indicate percentage of time to be committed to research during the award period, with expectation being 60%.
- The Grant is for a one-year period, January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021, for the total amount of \$10,000.
- The Grant funds are directed to the sponsoring institution and may provide salary support, supplies, equipment, travel and other expenses necessary for pursuit of the recipient's research project. Funds may not be used for administrative overhead costs.
- At the conclusion of the grant period, a final report is required highlighting the project's progress and summarizing the usage of the funds.
- Applicants agree to provide ASCPT permission to publish names, likeness, and a summary of the funded award in *Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics* or other Society journals and publications.

Additional Considerations

- Recipient will be provided with an ASCPT member mentor (scientific or career mentor).
- Recipient is encouraged to submit their research for presentation at the ASCPT Annual Meeting as either an oral or poster presentation.
- Recipient will be formally recognized at the ASCPT Annual Meeting and will be provided a complimentary registration to attend the award presentation.

Applications

Applications should include the following:

- A cover letter briefly summarizing the applicant's qualifications and a description of ongoing/proposed research.
- Applicant's curriculum vitae.
- Please suggest the names of three (3) potential scientific or career mentors.

- No more than 5 pages that describe the Project. Suggested formal and page lengths are Summary/Abstract (1/2 – 1 page), Specific Aims (1 page), and the Research Strategy (limit 3 pages) and, additionally, a section on the protection of human subjects (no limit) if appropriate.
- Two letters of recommendation with one letter from the candidates Division Chief or Department Chair or Dean demonstrating support of the candidate and for the application and the other from someone outside the candidate's institution.
- Copy of one of the applicant's publications that he/she consider his/her best work.

Selection Process

The ASCPT Awards Task Force will select the recipient based on the following criteria:

- Qualifications and track record of the candidate
- Potential impact of the work

Environment and institutional support for the work

Awards History:

2021: Shuiying Hu, PhD

2020: Akinyemi Oni-Orisan, PharmD, PhD

2019: Laura Ramsey PhD (inaugural recipient)