

## ICLAS-ARC 2023 TRAVEL AWARD LABORATORY ANIMAL SCIENCE SPECIALIST AALAS National Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA October 22 –26, 2023 Deadline for Applications: June 10<sup>th</sup> 2023

The Americas Regional Committee (ARC) of the International Council for Laboratory Animal Science (ICLAS) announces three Travel Fellowship Awards sponsored by:

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One award is available to an individual from a member country of the Federation of Hispanic Societies and Associations of North America, Central America and the Caribbean for Laboratory Animal Science (FeSAHANCCCAL México, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panamá, Trinidad and Tobago, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador and Honduras). One award is available to an individual from member countries of the Federation of South American Societies and Associations of Laboratory Animal Science Specialists (FESSACAL - Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Peru, Colombia, Ecuador, Uruguay and Venezuela). One award goes to the best remaining candidate from all applicants, regardless of his or her region.

Each award sponsors the awardee to travel to and participate in the national meeting of the American Association for Laboratory Animal Science (AALAS) to be held October 22 – October 26, 2023 in Salt Lake City, USA. The AALAS meeting is the largest laboratory animal science meeting in the world and includes seminars, workshops, special topic lectures, platform sessions, and poster sessions on laboratory animal diseases, biology, experimental techniques, and animal models. The learning resources / technology center includes a variety of videos and computer based programs. Each year there is an extensive commercial exhibit which contains the latest in equipment and ancillary items for the care and use of laboratory animals.

The nominee should be a biomedical scientist, facility manager, technician or veterinarian involved with experimental animals who is a member of his or her local or regional laboratory animal science organization. The individual should be a person with the potential to make significant contributions to the teaching, research, or organizational aspects of laboratory animal science



in his or her country upon their return. Preference is given to individuals who otherwise would not have funding for international travel to a scientific meeting of this kind. Proficiency in English speaking and comprehension is required and will be evaluated during an interview.

ICLAS will provide each awardee with \$2500 USD to cover airfare, lodging, meals, local transportation and incidental expenses. AALAS will generously waive the registration fee for the meeting. The awardees are required to attend the meeting and receive official recognition at the AALAC International Luncheon, which will take place during the 2023 AALAS meeting. Attendance at this event is mandatory for all awardees.

Nominations or applications should be written in English and consist of:

- 1. A cover letter, which should include the candidate's career goals and a statement with detailed information on the reasons why the candidate is interested in attending the AALAS Annual Meeting. This statement should indicate:
  - a) what he/she is hoping to gain from attending the meeting
  - b) how he/she would use the knowledge and experience to be acquired
  - c) how that knowledge would be shared (where and with whom), and what benefits will be derived.
- 2. A *curriculum vitae*, maximum of 10 pages in length, with emphasis on laboratory animal science training and experience.
- 3. Proof of proficiency in the English language.
- 4. A letter of recommendation from the employer.
- 5. At least one letter of recommendation from an individual familiar with the qualifications and professional interests and activities of the candidate.
- 6. A letter from the applicant's local or regional association assuring their current membership.

Complete nominations or applications should be submitted by E-mail to the attention of:

Dr. Marcel Frajblat Dr. Michael Brunt ARC Co-Chairs Email: info@iclas.org



Deadline for submission of applications is June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The decision of the committee will be communicated by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.