

## TRAVEL AWARDS IUIS/AAI

**The IUIS Education Committee and the American Association of Immunologists (AAI)** are proud to announce the continued co-sponsoring of **6 travel awards** for trainees from the developing world to attend summer courses.

This year the schedule is as follows:

-The AAI Introductory Course in Immunology (July 13-18, 2013, in Philadelphia, PA)

-The AAI Advanced Course in Immunology (July 28–August 2, 2013, in the Seaport World Trade Center, in Boston, MA).

Preliminary details on the 2013 courses are on the AAI website <http://www.aai.org/Education/Courses/index.html>.

Complete information, concerning program, schedules and registration will be available on the website in February.

**The Introductory Course** is an intensive two-part course, taught by world-renowned immunologists, to provide a comprehensive overview of the basics of immunology. This course is for students new to the discipline or those seeking more information to complement general biology or science training.

**The Advanced Course** is intensive and directed towards advanced trainees who wish to expand their knowledge of the field. Leading experts will present recent advances in the biology of the immune system and its role in health and disease. This is not an introductory course and all participants need to have a firm understanding of the principles of Immunology.

AAI will provide registration and housing (for up to 7 nights) for the 6 attendees. The IUIS Education committee will provide support for travel and other associated expenses to a maximum of \$2,000US. Any additional cost will be the responsibility of the attendee.

The IUIS Education Committee will solicit applications, make the evaluations, select the participants and pass on the information to AAI. AAI will then register the selected candidates and make their hotel accommodation reservations. Both AAI and IUIS will send

you a letter of invitation for VISA purposes. AAI is specifying that these courses should represent the first experience in the USA of the attendees.

To apply for these travel awards, please send your curriculum vitae, a letter describing your research and why you would benefit from this course as well as confirming that you have not studied or attended a course in the USA before. You should also request an email letter of reference from your supervisor. Send all this information by email to [michelle.letarte@sickkids.ca](mailto:michelle.letarte@sickkids.ca). Dr Letarte is the chair of the IUIS Education Committee, who will be responsible for the review process with her committee.

All applications should be received prior to March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Only selected candidates will be notified by April 1<sup>st</sup> at the latest.