



ASPB 2020 Plant Biology Travel Grant

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ASPB is offering a limited number of travel grants to attend the [Plant Biology 2020](#) Annual Meeting which will be held this year in Washington, DC from July 25-29, 2020. This program aims to increase attendance of young scientists at the annual meeting by providing travel funds for those in financial need. Increasing diversity among the annual meeting attendees is another primary goal. Undergraduate students, graduate students, postdocs, and faculty beginning their careers in plant science are strongly encouraged to apply. Applicants must be members of ASPB. US Residency is not a requirement to apply.

Applicants must submit for review by the Travel Grant Committee:

- an abstract of the research that they intend to submit for presentation at the annual meeting
- a paragraph expressing why attending [Plant Biology 2020](#) would enhance their career
- a primary advisor's letter of recommendation that includes the level of funds available, if any, for applicant travel
- a 2nd letter of recommendation from a professional mentor (other than the primary advisor)

Undergraduate, Graduate and Postdoc applicants must submit both letters of recommendation.

Faculty and Professional applicants do not have to submit letters of recommendation; however, they are required to indicate current and pending support.

Travel Grant selection criteria will be based (in this order) on:

- the science and the quality of the abstract
- the statement about how attending the meeting will have an impact on the applicant's career
- the strength of the two letters of recommendation (see above for letter instructions to undergraduates, graduates and postdocs)
- ethnic diversity

The Society has set aside \$46,000 to support the Plant Biology Travel Grant Program.

- Grant recipients each are awarded a travel stipend.
- Checks (or wires) for the stipend are issued AFTER the grant recipient registers for the meeting.
- Grant recipients qualify for the early-bird registration rate.
- Grant recipients are emailed a special registration code so that a portion of the [Plant Biology 2020](#) registration fee is waived.
- There is a [Plant Biology 2020](#) abstract submission fee.
- Should unforeseen events prevent a grant recipient from attending the meeting, the recipient must notify ASPB immediately and return the grant so that another applicant can use the funds to attend the meeting.

Applications are being accepted October 7, 2019 – December 4, 2019 (11:59 p.m. ET)

** Please visit <http://travelgrants.aspb.org/> to complete your application **

Applicants will be notified by email by January 22, 2020 of the Committee's decision

Questions? Please contact Sylvia Lee, ASPB Executive and Governance Affairs Administrator at slee@aspb.org