2019 SAPA-ForDoz Graduate Travel Grant

PURPOSE

The SAPA Graduate Travel Grant (the “Grant”) is established by the Sino-American Pharmaceutical Professionals Association (SAPA), a non-profit [501(C)(3)] pharmaceutical professional organization with more than 6,000 members, to promote and encourage innovative research in the fields related to pharmaceutical and biotechnological sciences and to provide selected graduate students and postdoctoral scholars a networking and learning opportunity to get to know the industry. The Grant is given annually to two or more graduate students and postdoctoral scholars who have conducted outstanding research in the field of medicinal chemistry, organic synthesis, analytical chemistry, biochemistry, molecular biology, or related disciplines.

The 2018-2020 Grant is supported by the SAPA Scholarship and Excellence in Education for Life Sciences Foundation and cosponsored by ForDoz Pharma Corp., a specialty pharmaceutical company established in 2014 focusing on developing and manufacturing complex injectable products, such as liposome, microsphere, and nano suspension based on its proprietary drug delivery technology. The company’s pipeline includes a series of complex generic drug products of liposome and microsphere, as well as several improved existing 505(b)(2) products using liposome and microsphere delivery system. ForDoz Pharma has its headquarter, R&D labs, and cGMP manufacturing facility on its own 27-acre property located at 69 Princeton Hightstown Road, East Windsor, New Jersey.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

The Grant will be awarded to selected graduate students & postdoctoral scholars for attending SAPA’s Annual Conference, which is held in New Jersey each year. The Grant will be awarded on the basis of merits, with an emphasis on independent high quality original research at the forefront of the field, and the applicants must be postdoctoral scholars or full-time graduate students enrolled in the Ph.D. or M.S. graduate program of a university or research institution in the United States, who have done outstanding research in the qualified scientific disciplines directly related to pharmaceutical and biotech industries. The Grant will be preferentially awarded to those graduate students or postdoctoral scholars who have substantially completed graduate research and are interested in pursuing a career in pharmaceutical or biotech industry.

Each Grant includes a one-time fund of $500 to be awarded to each of the selected Grant recipients for attending the SAPA annual conference in New Jersey, while waiving registration fees for attendance of the Conference. The Grant is open to any qualified graduate students and postdoctoral scholars throughout the United States.

ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

ELIGIBILITY:

To be considered for the 2019 SAPA-ForDoz Graduate Travel Grant, an applicant must:

- be a full-time graduate student enrolled in a university or research institution in the U.S. to pursue a Ph.D. or M.S. degree or a postdoctoral researcher working in a university or research institution;
• have an interest in pursuing a career in pharmaceutical or biotech industry;
• NOT be a former recipient of the Grant; and
• be willing and able to attend the SAPA Annual Conference, if being selected. Should the situation change before the announcement of the Grant recipients, an applicant must notify SAPA immediately so that SAPA will not consider this applicant’s application this time, but may do so in the subsequent year, should the applicant renew his or her interest in applying for the Grant in the subsequent year.

REQUIREMENTS:

Application materials

• Applicant’s Research Summary (1 to 3 pages), which may include figures and references, if any, to provide enough information for the review committee to judge the quality and impact of the research without original documents.

• One letter of recommendation from research advisor, which should describe the quality of the Applicant’s research and its impact in advancing the science and technology related to pharmaceutical or biotech industry. We encourage the research advisor to provide specific information regarding how the applicant addressed the scientific challenges encountered in his/her research and developed the plan to solve the challenge.

• Applicant’s current curriculum vitae

• Completed Application Form

• An optional essay or personal statement of approximately 300-500 words to explain why the Applicant is interested in applying for the Grant

Each Grant recipient is invited to present a Research Poster at the SAPA Annual Conference.

Selection Procedures: An independent review committee composed of industrial experts affiliated with SAPA will evaluate all valid applications and select final Grant recipients. Applicants are evaluated on:

• Quality of research and its significance and impact on advancement of pharmaceutical and biotechnological sciences

• Interest in pursuing a career in pharmaceutical or biotech industry

To be eligible to receive travel grant, an applicant must submit an acceptance of the Grant and plan to attend the SAPA Annual Conference in person. The grant will be made only upon a Grant recipient’s attendance of the SAPA Annual Conference in person. The grant will be forfeited if a recipient does not attend the SAPA annual conference.

IMPORTANT DATES:

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<td>August 31</td>
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<td>September 1-10</td>
<td>SAPA Travel Grant Review Committee reviews the applications and selects recipients of the Travel Grant. The selected recipients of the Travel Award and their respective Research Advisors will be notified through emails and/or telephone.</td>
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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Applicant must be a full-time graduate student or a postdoctoral scholar in a university or research institution in the U.S., having substantially completed graduate research towards a Ph.D. or M.S. degree.
- Applicant must plan to attend the SAPA Annual Conference to be held in New Jersey.

PLEASE INCLUDE FOLLOWINGS WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

1. Your current curriculum vitae
2. A research summary (1 to 3 pages), highlighting significance of the research you have conducted
3. One recommendation letter from your research advisor
4. Completed Application Form (attached)
5. An optional essay explaining why you want to apply for the Travel Award (approximately 300-500 words)

Please send ALL the application materials through email to sapa_scholarship@yahoo.com, except that the recommendation letter from research advisor can be sent by research advisor separately; or, alternatively, ALL the application materials can be sent in ONE package through regular mail to:

SAPA Scholarship
P.O. Box 3228
213 Carnegie Center
Princeton, NJ 08540

Application Deadline: August 31, 2019 (sent by email or postmarked by regular mail)

For more information, visit SAPA website: http://www.sapaweb.org

Or contact through email: sapa_scholarship@yahoo.com
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APPLICATION FORM

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Last Name _____________________________
First Name _____________________________ M. I. _________

Address ___________________________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _____ Zip code _____________
Telephone ______________________
E-mail ________________________________

Current Status:
Name of Department & Institution ____________________________________________
Address ___________________________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _____ Zip code ________
Degree(s) Pursued (Granted) ________ Projected Graduation Date _____________
Research Advisor ______________________ Email ___________________ Telephone _________________

Research Title: __________________________________________________________________

Questionnaire: Where did you hear SAPA and its Graduate Student Travel Grant?
Answer: _______________________________________________________________________

Questionnaire: If selected, are you willing and able to attend the SAPA Annual Conference to be held on Sept. 27-28, 2018 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel and Conference Center, Somerset, NJ. (Attendance of Conference and Award Ceremony during Dinner Banquet on Sept. 28, 2019 is expected.)
Answer: _______________________________________________________________________

Applicant’s Signature________________________________________
Date ______________________

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