Vascular Research Initiatives Conference Trainee Award

Submission deadline: VRIC abstract submission deadline

The SVS Foundation supports this award for trainees to attend the annual Vascular Research Initiatives Conference (VRIC). Top-scoring abstracts submitted to the VRIC by trainees will be considered for the award. The award consists of complimentary registration to the VRIC and Vascular Discovery Scientific Sessions (formerly Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology Scientific Sessions) and $1,000 for conference travel. Local awardees will not receive travel funds.

The VRIC, presented by Society for Vascular Surgery (SVS), is a one-day session preceding the Vascular Discovery Scientific Sessions, uniquely designed to foster interaction among top scientists of diverse disciplines who are investigating peripheral vascular disease and its treatments. VRIC is also dedicated to stimulating and encouraging interest in research among trainees who are aspiring academic vascular surgeons. The meeting's exclusive and intimate atmosphere allows for the free exchange of ideas and development of collaborative projects equally among senior and junior investigators.

Eligibility

Currently enrolled as:

- Pre-med Student; or
- Medical Student; or
- General Surgery Resident; or
- Vascular Resident or Vascular Fellow

Application Deadline
Submit an abstract to VRIC to apply for the award (deadline for VRIC 2021 to be determined).

Award Process

Abstracts submitted to the VRIC by trainees are scored by the SVS Research and Education Committee. Applicants will be notified of the Committee decision in March. The award consists of complimentary registration to both VRIC and Vascular Discovery Scientific Sessions and a $1,000 award for conference travel (if applicable). Trainees who are not traveling to VRIC (local awardee) may still receive the VRIC Trainee Award but will not receive travel funds.

2020 Recipients

Derek Afflu, MD
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center
Abstract title: Elastic Fibers of the Internal Elastic Lamina Are Unraveled But Not Created With Expanding Arterial Diameter In Arteriogenesis

Frank Davis, MD
University of Michigan Medical School
Abstract title: Epigenetic Modifications Influence Macrophage-mediated Inflammation in Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms

Katherine Hekman, MD, PhD
Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine
Abstract title: Autophagy Remodels Mitochondria During Differentiation and Enhances Longevity Through Ulk1 Kinase Signaling of Induced Pluripotent Stem Cell-derived Endothelial Cells

Hallie Quiroz, MD
University of Miami Miller School of Medicine
Abstract title: Downregulation of Inflammation and a Cascade of Pro-angiogenic Signals Mediate the Beneficial Effects of Gene-modified Stem Cell Therapy in Hindlimb Ischemia

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