2017 Baxter Young Investigator Award Program

Baxter provides products and services that are essential for saving and sustaining patient lives. This broad portfolio includes peritoneal, acute & in-center dialysis; IV solutions & premixed drugs; infusion pumps & administration sets; parenteral nutrition; surgical products & anesthetics; as well as pharmacy automation, software & services. The company’s global footprint and the critical nature of its products and services play a key role in expanding access to healthcare in emerging and developed countries. Baxter’s employees worldwide are building upon the company’s rich heritage of medical breakthroughs to advance the next generation of healthcare innovations that enable patient care.

To celebrate and promote innovative research, Baxter sponsors an annual award program open to graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. Baxter’s Young Investigator Awards seek to stimulate and reward research applicable to the development of therapies and medical products that save and sustain patients’ lives. Baxter invites current graduate students and post-doctoral fellows in North America to submit descriptions of ongoing research. The Baxter Young Investigator Awards program consists of two tiers; first tier awards include a $2,000 cash prize and an onsite visit to present the award-winning research. Second tier awards will receive a $500 cash prize.

Scope and Criteria of the Award
Competitive applications will describe active research which clearly and concisely demonstrates direct relevance to critical care therapies, and especially to those therapies closely related to Baxter’s portfolio. Technological and scientific developments to support these therapeutic areas are also considered, to the extent that the developments are critical to the advancement of application or understanding of the corresponding therapy or product.

Research Description
The application should clearly describe the connection between the research and the therapies relevant to Baxter’s portfolio. The length should not exceed two pages (including figures and references). The applicant’s scientific advisor should also send a letter that confirms the enrollment or postdoctoral status, details the applicant’s contribution to the research, distinguishing it from the efforts of other supporting team members, and establishes the significance of the contribution to its relevant scientific discipline. Although these letters should be concise, the scientific advisor is welcome to discuss unique circumstances which may be relevant to the applicant’s contribution.

Eligibility
All applicants must be currently enrolled graduate students or postdoctoral fellows in North America and must be primarily responsible for the research described. All successful applicants must commit to briefly presenting their results at the annual Young Investigator Awards ceremony to be held on September 14, 2017 at Baxter’s R&D facility located in Round Lake, Illinois.

Details and Conditions
The presentation will be recorded for broadcast at a later date and shared with Baxter’s worldwide facilities. Some content may be made public through Baxter’s website or through other avenues. Baxter will cover the cost of travel to and from the awards ceremony, as well as the cost of accommodations for the nights before and after the ceremony for those traveling from outside the Chicago area.

Application Deadline
Research descriptions, resumes, and letters should be submitted to the following website no later than June 30, 2017.

http://www.baxter.com/inside-baxter/science/programs/young-investigator-award.page