General Information

Submit completed application form no later than Friday, June 3, 2016 to:

AAED Research Grant
American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry
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Purpose: To promote meaningful research in esthetic dentistry through the funding of one grant awarded annually in the maximum amount of $3,000.

Eligibility: Graduate students or young untenured faculty at the instructor or assistant professor levels at accredited dental schools are eligible for the award. Only one award per grantee can be received (no repeat awards will be given to a previous recipient).

Scope of Research: The focus of the research must be within the scope of esthetic dentistry. The Research Committee of the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry has the right and responsibility of verifying the appropriateness of the proposed research.

Application Process: The applicant must submit an application to the AAED office no later than June 3, 2016. Applications will be judged by the members of the Research Committee based on perceived merit, feasibility, and relevance to esthetic dentistry. The grantee will be notified in writing no later than late August, 2016 and an announcement will be made at the 2016 AAED Annual meeting, which is also in August. This schedule will allow approximately two months for the review and selection process to occur. Funding for the grant is provided through the AAED.

The applicant is required to submit a research proposal including a statement of purpose and an abstract of the proposal, along with the following sections: Introduction, Materials and Methods (including the proposed statistical analyses to be employed), References, Research Timetable and Budget. The grant proposal should not exceed 2,000 total words in length.

Budget Information: The budget must be for direct costs of conducting the research only (indirect costs not funded) with no salary support included for the applicant or other support staff. The detailed budget must be itemized and cannot exceed $3,000. Adequate justification must accompany the budget. No travel or publication expenses are to be included in the budget (travel expense to the 2017 AAED Annual Meeting may be provided, as detailed).
Grantee’s Obligation: In return for having been awarded an AAED Research Grant, the grantee must agree, upon request, to present his/her results as a poster presentation at the next AAED annual meeting (one year following awarding the grant). This means that the research must essentially be conducted and completed within one calendar year (August to August) so that the results presented will be timely and relevant to the AAED membership. Results also may be presented at AADR/IADR consistent with their guidelines and regulations for poster presentations. However, proper acknowledgment of the support provided from the AAED Research Grant must accompany the presentation.

If requested to present a poster at the 2017 annual meeting of the AAED, the AAED will cover travel expenses for presentation of the research results. These expenses may include round-trip coach airfare, registration fees, and three nights lodging. All original receipts must be retained for submission to the AAED Office in Chicago, Illinois for reimbursement. Information on the 2017 meeting will be provided to the successful candidate.

Following presentation of the results, any manuscript generated from this research first must be submitted to the official journal of the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry, the Journal of Esthetic and Restorative Dentistry (JERD), to be considered for publication. No assurances are given that the paper will be accepted; however, JERD must be afforded the “first right of refusal.” If the paper is not selected for publication in JERD, the author is free to submit it to the journal of his/her choice for publication. In any case, proper acknowledgment of the support provided from the AAED Research Grant must accompany the paper.

Review Guidelines: Each application will be reviewed by members of the Research Committee (or approved ad hoc reviewers, depending on subject) and will be judged and scored based on the following criteria:

1. Relevance to esthetic dentistry. 10 points
2. Originality and vision of the proposed study. 10 points
3. Clarity and appropriateness of the stated hypothesis. 10 points
4. Perceived feasibility of the objectives. 10 points
5. Quality of literature review and introduction. 10 points
6. Appropriateness of proposed materials and methods. 10 points
7. Appropriateness of the budget requested. 10 points
8. Feasibility of the proposed timetable. 10 points
9. Adequacy of equipment and facilities. 10 points
10. Potential for generating new information or concepts. 10 points

Total Possible Score: 100 points

Every effort will be made to avoid conflicts of interest. Members of the Research Committee will not be allowed to vote on applications submitted by faculty or graduate students from his/her institution (employee or graduate thereof).

Regarding confidentiality, all materials distributed to the Research Committee members (or ad hoc reviewers) will be held in strictest confidence. Moreover, all deliberations, comments, recommendations, or results of the selection process will be held in confidence by the reviewers until the official announcement (at the 2016 AAED Annual Meeting) has been made and the grantee has been notified.
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Please fill in the following information and submit this page with grant proposal:

Name: ______________________________________ Date: __________________________

School of Dentistry: ____________________________________________________________

Campus Address: __________________________________________________________________

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Telephone No.: __________________________ Fax No.: __________________________

E-mail: _________________________________ Tax ID/Social Security #: ______________

Graduate Student (please circle):   Yes  No
Year/s in Graduate Program (please circle): 1  2  3  Post-doc
Faculty Member (please circle):     Yes  No

Academic Department: ____________________________  Academic Rank: __________________

Will this study involve the use of human subjects?   Yes  No
   If yes, the study MUST be reviewed by and receive approval from the appropriate 
   Institutional Review Board (IRB) or Human Subjects Committee and documentation of such 
   approval submitted with the application.

Will this study involve the use of animal subjects?   Yes  No
   If yes, the study MUST be reviewed by and receive approval from the appropriate 
   Institutional Review Board (IRB) or Animal Subjects Committee and documentation of such 
   approval submitted with the application.

Will this study involve the use of hazardous materials?  Yes  No
   If yes, the study MUST be reviewed by and receive approval from the Director of Human 
   Safety and Environmental Health (or equivalent) and documentation of such approval 
   submitted with the application.

I understand the provisions and obligations of the AAED Grant for Research in Esthetic Dentistry and hereby acknowledge that the study described herein will be conducted by me, the undersigned.

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Signature of Applicant       Date