

## Robert L. Dixon International Travel Award

International Congress of Toxicology XII 11<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> July 2010

*Barcelona, Spain*

The Toxicology Education Foundation announces the availability of the 2010 Robert L. Dixon International Travel Award, which is offered every three years. The 2010 award provides \$2,000 to enable the recipient to attend the International Congress of Toxicology XII in Barcelona, Spain, July 11-15, 2010 ([www.ictx.org](http://www.ictx.org)).

The Award was established in memory of Robert L. Dixon (SOT President 1982–1983) as a tribute to his dedication to the field of toxicology and student training. Generous contributions to TEF ensure funding for the award.

### Eligibility Criteria

- Enrolled in full-time Ph.D. study in the area of reproductive toxicology
- Research director is a member of SOT, or can provide other evidence of recognized expertise in toxicology.
- Applicant is a student member of SOT, or student membership is pending at application deadline

### Directions

1. All sections of the application form provided must be completed. Note: use only allotted spaces and a font of at least 10 points.
2. Your Research Director must complete the Reference Letter Form (page 3), prepare and attach a Letter of Recommendation, and mail directly to TEF at the address given.
3. Include with the application a list of complete citations for your work and up to three reprints for which you are primary author and/or best represent your toxicological research.
4. The applicant will electronically send a complete set of the application, consisting of the following items:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ a. Completed application, pages 1-2
  - \_\_\_\_\_ b. Graduate transcript(s) (Copies of official transcript are acceptable.)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ c. List of complete citations for your original work (abstracts, original articles, etc.)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ d. Up to three reprints

The Research Director will mail one copy of the reference form and letter directly to TEF.

5. **All application materials must be received by December 31, 2009, at TEF Headquarters.**

### Application Review Criteria

Strength of application will be determined by:

- perceived benefit to applicant
- originality of dissertation research
- research productivity
- importance of research to reproductive toxicology
- scholastic achievement
- letter of recommendation

The fellowship recipient will be announced by February, 2010.

Completed application materials must arrive by December 31, 2009. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

The application should be submitted electronically in .pdf format to TEF headquarters at [tefhq@toxedfoundation.org](mailto:tefhq@toxedfoundation.org), or by mail. Please retain a copy of these forms for your records.

Questions can be directed to:  
TEF Headquarters  
626 Admiral Drive, Ste. C  
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Annapolis, MD 21401  
(443) 321-4654



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3. Give a clear and concise description of your dissertation research, divided into the following subsections:  
(a) Objectives, (b) Work you have already accomplished, and (c) Relevance of your work to Reproductive Toxicology.

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Signature of Applicant

Date

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**Privileged Communication  
Reference Letter Form—Research Director**

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete all sections and mail directly to Robert L. Dixon International Travel Award, TEF, 626 Admiral Drive, Ste. C, PMB 221, Annapolis, MD, 21401. Letters must arrive on or before December 31, 2009.

Signature below certifies that the applicant is a full-time graduate student. The Reference Letter Form and a Letter of Recommendation completed by the research director must be sent under separate cover from the application. The Research Director may not nominate more than two applicants from his/her laboratory in any year.

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide your best estimate of the month and year of applicant's dissertation defense: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Research Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Research Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of SOT? yes no If no, your letter should include evidence of recognized expertise in toxicology.

1. Rate the applicant on the items listed below using a numerical score of 1 to 5, basing your ratings on the degree of accomplishment you usually expect of students at this level (1—outstanding; 2—above average; 3—average; 4—below average; 5—poor; X—insufficient knowledge to rate.)

**DO NOT LEAVE THIS SECTION BLANK**

- \_\_\_\_ Originality
- \_\_\_\_ Ability to organize scientific data
- \_\_\_\_ Accuracy
- \_\_\_\_ Familiarity with research literature
- \_\_\_\_ Research ability
- \_\_\_\_ Proficiency in laboratory work
- \_\_\_\_ Scientific background
- \_\_\_\_ Perseverance in pursuing goals
- \_\_\_\_ Ability to exchange ideas

2. Attach a letter describing the qualifications and traits that you consider of special significance in judging the applicant's aptitude for a career in Toxicology, emphasizing ability in research. Include discussion of weaknesses, if any. Also, please summarize the student's training program.