## **Criteria for RSC Toxicology Meeting Bursaries**

The following outline gives details of how the RSC Toxicology Group will assess and prioritise applications for meeting bursaries from RSC Toxicology funds. The total fund available for bursaries each year will vary according to the Group circumstances but is expected to be about 10% of currently held funds. RSC Toxicology does not undertake to spend all of the allocation each year (funds will be awarded on merit and application) nor to fund entire meeting expenses. It is expected that the maximum bursary per application will be in the region of £1000.

The bursaries are available to contribute towards registration, travel and accommodation costs for attending a toxicology-related scientific meeting. The meeting does not have to be RSC-organised or UK-based but it should be noted that there is no guarantee to fund total costs. Applications can be made at any time throughout the year.

All applicants will be required to produce a short article (~ 500 words) of any meeting attended on a bursary for the RSC Toxicology newsletter.

## Eligibility Criteria

- Meeting must have a substantial toxicology element.
- Applicant must be a member of the RSC. All other things be equal, priority will be given to those who are also RSC Toxicology members.
- For bursaries to attend RSC Toxicology organised meetings, applicants need to be post-graduate students or early-career (first five years) scientists.
- For all other meetings, bursaries are available to all applicants. For students
  and early-career scientists, they must be presenting a poster or giving an oral
  presentation. All other applicants must be giving an oral presentation. The
  bursary beneficiary must be the presenting author.

## Application Process

• Brief outline of the conference/meeting includes its themes, venue and costs.

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- A justification for attending the meeting and why the applicant believes it will be beneficial to them and their development.
- Abstract of the submitted presentation and evidence of its acceptance by the meeting organisers (for non- RSC Toxicology meetings only).
- Curriculum vitae of applicant.
- Confirmation of student status or early career scientist by supervisor or line manager. Confirmation of meeting attendance by line management or HR.

## Prioritisation Criteria

- Originality and scientific merit of work to be presented.
- Relevance of the subject to RSC Toxicology areas of interest.
- Membership of RSC Toxicology (all other criteria being equal).

Applications should be sent to the <u>Secretary</u> at least 8 weeks before the event takes place; retrospective applications are not accepted.

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