



**Rules for ETA Travel Award and Travel Support Grants
(June 2016)**

1. Travel **Award** grants are assigned to Junior ETA Members (<35 years of age), who are first authors of either oral or poster presentations at the Annual Meeting. Travel **Support** grants are assigned to Junior ETA Members (<35 years of age), who are first authors of either oral or poster presentations at the Annual Meeting in cases of financial hardship.
2. *To qualify, members need to have been elected at a General Assembly (ie proposed the previous year) and to be in good standing (membership fees paid).*
3. Up to a maximum of 30 grants (500 € each) are awarded. This number may vary depending on the ETA financial situation.
4. In 2016 16 travel **Award** grants are reserved to Junior members selected for the Young Investigator oral sessions; 14 additional travel **award** grants are assigned to applicants after selection based on the following criteria:
 - a. Scientific merit, i.e., the average score of the accepted abstract
 - b. No more than two grants are given to the same group
5. A number of max. 10 **support** grants are reserved to junior ETA members (see point n. 1) in cases of financial hardship (low-income countries or other reasons of particular financial difficulty that would otherwise prevent attendance at the ETA meeting).
6. Both travel **award** grants and travel **support** grants are assigned provided that the recipient is not receiving financial support from a company.

7. Announcement: travel grant information is announced each year by the Secretary in a letter to members and in the Spring Newsletter. Names of awardees of the travel grants are published in the Autumn Newsletter after the annual meeting.
8. The travel grant is paid after the meeting.
9. The travel **Award** and travel **Support** grants cannot be awarded to the same investigator for more than two consecutive years, except for abstracts accepted for the Young Investigator session.