The AST Recovery and Preservation Community of Practice (RAP COP) will be awarding two RAP COP Rising Star Grants for reimbursable expenses up to $1,000 to attend ATC, including registration and travel expenses.

The purpose of these Rising Star Grants is to shine a light on the diverse pool of incredibly talented individuals we have amongst our RAP COP community and inspire these future leaders to reach new heights so that we can transform the clinical practice of organ transplantation together.

The Society remains committed to a diverse and inclusive culture. The membership is encouraged to consider nominations with an eye towards diversity in age, gender, ethnicity, and race, and other underrepresented minorities as defined by AAMC.

Qualifications
- Current Trainee member of AST
- Current member of the RAP COP
- Trainee Grant applicant must be the lead author of the research project
- Research project abstract must have been submitted and accepted for presentation (oral presentation or poster) at the 2023 ATC
  - Research project must be broadly relevant to the field of recovery and preservation.

Application Must Include the Following:
- Application
- A brief (<500 word) personal statement describing what you find inspiring about the field of organ recovery and preservation
- Letter from the Applicant’s research mentor confirming trainee status and role in the research
- ATC abstract
- ATC abstract acceptance letter
- Trainee Applicant CV or résumé

Applications will be judged on research quality, impact, and novelty. Grant recipients will be expected to present their research at ATC. Recipients will be expected to attend ATC 2023, the AST Townhall, and the RAP COP annual meeting.

The deadline for applications is March 15, 2023.

Please note that if you have already won an RAP COP grant in the past, you are not eligible. While you are permitted to apply for more than one COP ATC 2023 Travel Grant, you can only be awarded one grant. In the case that you are selected for more than one grant, the applicant will choose which to accept. Recipients of the ATC Young Investigator Travel Award are ineligible for this grant. Limit one submission per individual.

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