Cell Symposia scholarships for historically excluded trainees 2023-24

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Eligibility: The ELSEVIER CELL SYMPOSIA CAMPAIGN PROMOTION 2023 ("Promotion") is open to all individuals who are (i) students currently enrolled in undergraduate, M.S., Ph.D., or M.D. program; (ii) Postdoctoral fellows with a Ph.D. or M.D. degree and who are engaged in a mentored research training program; (iii) trainees must be from one of the following underrepresented or disadvantaged backgrounds:

- Black or African American;
- Latinx;
- Indigenous, including American Indian or Alaska Native;
- Pacific Islander or Native Hawaiian;
- LGBTQ+ (lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender/queer and other gender and sexual minorities);
- Disabled person or person with disabilities;
- Individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, such as refugees or those who have experienced homelessness.

(iv) have attended the age of majority at the time of entry; (v) based anywhere in the world, excluding residents of Italy, Brazil, Quebec Canada, Cuba, Iran, Syria, North Korea, Sudan; and (vi) have filled in the form correctly. Employees of Sponsor and its parents, subsidiaries, affiliated companies and agents, and their immediate families or those living in the same household, are not eligible to enter. Government officials are not eligible to enter. "Government Official" means any officer or employee of a government or any department, agency, or instrumentality thereof, or of a public international organization, or any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any such government or department, agency, or instrumentality, or for or on behalf of any such public international organization. This includes employees of state-owned or state-controlled entities, elected or appointed officials, heads of agencies or departments, doctors employed by state hospitals, professors employed by state universities, public librarians, school superintendents, principals and teachers. (examples of government officials, include, but are not limited to the following: local tax authorities, customs officials, ministry of education employees, employees of government owned and operated enterprises, such as schools, libraries and medical facilities, political party officials and candidates for political office, and generally can include an employee or official of (1) a commercial entity in which a government body has an ownership interest or exerts control over such an entity; or (2) public international organizations such as the United Nations of the World Bank, etc.). Entrants may be subject to rules imposed by their institution or employer relative to their participation in trade promotions and should check with their institution or employer for any relevant policies. By submitting an entry (including accepting any prizes or awards in connection with this Promotion), Entrant confirms that Entrant's participation in this Promotion does not contravene any applicable laws and regulations and any policies and rules of Entrant's institution, including those pertaining to anti-bribery, gifting, conflicts of interests and outside compensation, and that Entrant's participation in the Promotion will not influence any decisions that Entrant might make on behalf of their employer or institution with respect to awarding business to Elsevier. If the entry is prohibited or restricted by law, the entry will be disqualified as null and void.

How To Enter: To enter, please register your details on this registration form located at https://info.cell.com/cell-symposia-scholarship-application with all requested details within the time mentioned. Registration form must include valid first name and email address. Entrant shall not

enter with multiple e-mail and/or multiple identities or use any other device or artifice to obtain more than one entry for the Promotion each year. Entrant can enter in the contest once every day subject to winning only once in the entire contest. Any entrant who attempts to participate in multiple e-mail and/or multiple identities or uses any device or artifice to obtain more than one entry may be disqualified. In the event of a dispute in connection with the identity of the individual who submitted a response, the entry will be deemed to have been submitted by the authorized account holder of the e-mail account identified on the response. The authorized account holder is deemed to be the natural person who is assigned to an e-mail address by an Internet access provider, service provider, or other online organization that is responsible for assigning e-mail addresses for the domain associated with the submitted e-mail address. If an eligible individual cannot be determined and verified in the manner described above, the entry will be disqualified as null and void.
All entries become the sole property of Sponsor and will not be acknowledged or returned.

Promotion Period: Entrants may participate in the Promotion from April 1st, 2023 at 12:00 ET through December 31st, 2024 at 23:59 ET. ("Promotion Period"). Sponsor's server shall serve as the official clock for this Promotion.

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Judging and Evaluations of Winners:

Four (4) individual winners will be selected in the following manner:

- Two (2) awards to students currently enrolled in undergraduate, M.S., Ph.D., or M.D. program;
- Two (2)awards to postdoctoral fellows with a Ph.D. or M.D. degree and who are engaged in a mentored research training program to aid with pursuit of their future career track. Postdoc candidates must be within 6 years of receiving their terminal degree.

The attendees of our Cell Symposia present posters during the symposia, or a short talk. The deadlines for submission of approval for those activities will be before this scholarship application deadline, to know who are presenting a poster (of their research) and who are doing a short talk (about their research). The names of the recipients will be pulled two weeks before the early registration deadline for each Symposia:

- June 16, 2023 - The conceptual power of single-cell biology
- July 14, 2023 - Molecular mechanisms and integrative physiology of obesity
- August 18, 2023 - Structural biology from the nanoscale to cellular mesoscale
- September 15, 2023 - Bio-inspired and bio-integrated materials in accelerating technologies
- February 16, 2024 - Exercise metabolism

The applicant must attend the meeting in-person and either present a poster presentation or short talk. The names will be selected randomly on the above mentioned dates from each Cell Symposia (listed above), and do a google random number generator to choose the winners during the Promotion Period in accordance with these Official Rules. The recipient will verify their attendance in person when checking in at the registration desk. If the recipient does not attend the Symposia, the award will be offered to another recipient at a subsequent Symposia.The prize drawing will be conducted by Sponsor, whose decisions will be final and binding in all respects.

All winners are subject to proving eligibility to receive a prize.

Prizes:

Four (4) winners randomly selected will be given registration cost of Cell Symposium worth up to approximately $900 USD each.
The total cost of award will be approximately $3600 USD

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Upon certification by Sponsor as an eligible participant, each winner will receive the prize. No assignment, substitution or transfer of prizes permitted, except by Sponsor due to prize unavailability at time of award. All other expenses associated with use of the prize, including, but not limited to local, state, or federal taxes on the prize, are the sole responsibility of the winner. Entry in this Promotion constitutes each entrant's agreement to pay all applicable taxes and duties and comply with all laws.
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Winner Notification and Acceptance: The names of the recipients will be pulled two weeks before the early registration deadline for each Symposia as mentioned above. Potential winners will be notified by email within two (2) days of the random draw. Sponsor is not responsible for any lost, late, or misdirected notification email. If Sponsor is unable to contact a potential winner, or if any potential winner fails to respond to the prize notification within fourteen (14) days of issuance of notification, or if a potential winner fails to comply with any of the requirements, an alternate winner shall be selected through another random drawing conducted by Sponsor. A winner may waive the right to receive the prize. The prize is non-assignable and non-transferable. Sponsor reserves the right to substitute a prize of equal or greater value. Winners are solely responsible for reporting and payment of any federal, state and local taxes associated with the prize. Winners will be asked to execute and return to Sponsor an affidavit of eligibility and a liability release (except where prohibited by law) within fourteen (14) days of notification. At the sole discretion of the Sponsor, each prize will be awarded via e-mail to the name and e-mail address provided in the entry form within 6 to 8 weeks following. Non-compliance within that time period or failure to comply with any term or condition of these Official Rules may, at the sole discretion of Sponsor, result in a winner's disqualification and the selection of an alternate winner. Return of prize notification email as undeliverable will result in disqualification and an alternate winner will be selected. The decisions of Sponsor are final and binding in all respects.

RIGHT TO USE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN WINNING ENTRIES: Winners' first names and country of residence, may be featured on the Promotion Website. By accepting the prize, each winner acknowledges compliance with these Official Rules and agrees to permit Sponsor to use their first name and country of residence. Rights granted by winners are for advertising, publicity and promotional purposes, are in perpetuity and in any medium Sponsor sees fit, including, but not limited to, website, television, radio, or printed materials

Consent to Use of Personal Information: None of the entries submitted by participants will be treated as confidential. As such, entrants should not submit proprietary information. Entrants further agree that personally identifiable information may be processed, stored, and otherwise used for the purposes of the Promotion, including, but not limited to, checking participant's identity, email address, and institutional affiliation, or to otherwise verify eligibility to participate. The personal data submitted through Sponsor's platform is subject to its privacy policy at http://www.relx.com/site-services/privacy.

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RELEASE: BY ENTERING THE PROMOTION, ENTRANTS RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS SPONSOR AND ITS PARENTS, SUBSIDIARIES, AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES, AND EACH OF THEIR DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, REPRESENTATIVES, VENDORS, PARTNERS AND AGENTS, FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY WHATSOEVER, AND WAIVE ANY AND ALL CAUSES OF ACTION, FOR OR RELATED TO ANY CLAIMS, COSTS, INJURIES, LOSSES, LIABILITIES, OR DAMAGES OF ANY KIND (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE TO OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY, RIGHTS OF PUBLICITY OR PRIVACY, DEFAMATION OR PORTRAYAL IN A FALSE LIGHT) ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROMOTION OR THE ACCEPTANCE, POSSESSION, OR USE OF THE PRIZE, WHETHER UNDER A THEORY OF CONTRACT, WARRANTY, TORT (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, NEGLIGENCE, WHETHER ACTIVE, PASSIVE, OR IMPUTED), STRICT LIABILITY, PRODUCT LIABILITY, CONTRIBUTION, OR ANY OTHER THEORY, TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

Construction: The construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of US, without giving effect to its conflicts of law principles.

Winners List: The name of the winners will be available by email request starting from April 1, 2023. You can send your queries or requests to EMAIL: by emailing diversity@cell.com starting April 1, 2023.

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