

As a respiratory scientist, it is not always easy to obtain funding for travel to international Symposia or Conferences outside the main respiratory field (e.g. to annual conferences from ATS, ERS, ASCO, local Dutch meetings etc.). To promote unconventional thought and innovation in respiratory medicine, the NRS supports young investigators who are NRS members to travel to non-respiratory high quality scientific meetings with a max of €1250.

The following general criteria apply:

- The applicant is a member of the NRS
- The applicant should be under 40 years of age
- PhD-students can apply twice during their PhD training
- Junior post-docs and fellows can apply once every three years
- The Award application deadline is before the conference will take place

Applications should include:

- The abstract has been or will be submitted to the conference (include abstract with application)
- If possible, a written confirmation of an active contribution, e.g. poster or oral presentation
- A short motivation letter explaining the
 - o Importance of the conference for the research project
 - o Clear learning objectives
- A recommendation letter of your supervisor or mentor
- A detailed budget estimate, including the contribution requested from the NRS (max €1250)

The NRS Young Investigators Committee will evaluate the applications.

Applicants are expected to submit a short report about the highlights of the conference (max 200 words) which will be published on the NRS website. This report should include which contribution the conference visit has made to your research project, key learning points (based on the learning objectives from the motivation letter), new/innovative insights in the field, and examples from lectures that were supplementary to your own research. After receiving this report and an overview of all expenses, including receipts and the account number of the recipient or department, the money of the travel grant will be transferred.

Awardees may be requested to present their work at the NRS Young Investigators meeting.

Applications for an NRS travel grant and the report and overview of expenses should be sent to (e-mail and post):

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Travel grants are awarded 4 times per year. Please submit your application before **Febr 1** , **June 1**, **Sept 1** and **Nov 1**. Decisions are generally communicated within 2-3 weeks after the submission deadline.