



Rules for ETA Travel Award and Travel Support Grants 2018

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 ONLY to Junior ETA Members (<35 years of age) **[not with provisional status]**, who are first authors of either oral or poster presentations at the Annual Meeting in cases of financial hardship.
2. *To qualify, junior 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 40 grants (500 € each) are awarded. This number may vary depending on the ETA financial situation.
4. In 2018 **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.

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7. Announcement: travel grant information is announced each year on the Congress website and in the Newsletter. The travel grant is paid after the meeting.
8. 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.

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