

Emerging Researcher

GRANT AWARD PROGRAM

Supporting the developing researcher with professional development and grants of up to \$4,000.



The ASRT Foundation is dedicated to improving the quality and safety of patient care — now and into the future. The Emerging Researcher Grant provides funding and professional support to medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals aspiring to conduct scientific research in radiologic technology. ASRT members who have received up to one previous grant are eligible to apply.



Timeline for Spring Grant Round

Nov. 1 Initial application deadline

Jan. 1 Final application due to the Foundation

Jun. 1 Foundation informs PI of funding decision

Jun. 15* Check mailed to PI's institution

Timeline for Fall Grant Round

May 1 Initial application deadline

Jul. 1 Final application due to the Foundation

Dec. 1 Foundation informs PI of funding decision

Dec. 15* Check mailed to PI's institution

*Based on receipt of signed releases.



Mission Statement

The philanthropic mission of the ASRT Foundation is to support and empower medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals and students as they pursue opportunities to enhance the quality and safety of patient care.

Eligibility

1. Proposals may be submitted by an individual or group of investigators through a U.S. Sponsoring Organization/Institution with which they are affiliated. Groups must designate one member as the Principal Investigator (PI) responsible for directing the project. Other members of the group may be from other disciplines that are relevant to the proposed study.
2. All submissions must be done by the PI, who must be a current voting ASRT member with a minimum of one year of membership history at the time of application. A voting membership status must be maintained through the completion of grant funding, and will be verified prior to the release of funding.
3. The PI must be:
 - a. Registered to practice in the U.S. in a primary modality by certification agencies recognized by the ASRT (ARRT, NMTCB, ARDMS, MDCB), or hold an unrestricted state license. Verification of current registration/licensure must be demonstrated upon application and prior to each release of funding.
 - b. A student enrolled in an accredited radiologic science program with a minimum of one year of ASRT membership history at the time of application.
4. The PI may have received up to one previous grant from any organization, including ASRT Foundation.
5. Projects may be proposed for a period not to exceed one year.
6. ASRT Foundation Board of Trustees, ASRT Board of Directors, ASRT staff and their immediate family members are ineligible.



Statement of Intent for Funding

ASRT Foundation is dedicated to the goal of improving the quality and safety of patient care. The Foundation accomplishes this goal by providing support to emerging researchers performing research related to the delivery of radiation therapy, dosimetry or medical imaging, including nuclear medicine and sonography. Proposals related to radiologic science education and administration will also be considered if they support the ASRT Foundation mission of enhancing the quality and safety of patient care.

Terms and Conditions

Grant Period

A proposed project may have a period of performance of 1-year. A grant year will begin on the date the check is mailed to the PI's institution as defined in the award program timeline for the applicable spring or fall grant round.

Reporting

1. Grant recipients shall submit progress reports to the Foundation Program Coordinator. For a 1-year grant, one progress report is due 6 months into the grant period.
2. A final report shall be submitted within 30 days of completion of the grant period of performance. Failure to submit a final report will bar the recipient from any future Foundation funding as the recipient will not be considered in good standing with the Foundation.
3. Grant recipients are required to submit a *final manuscript to *Radiologic Technology* or *Radiation Therapist* for consideration of publication in order to disseminate findings of his/her research to the larger professional audience, no later than six months following the completion of the research project.

* Manuscripts are categorized as original articles or editorials. Original articles include comprehensive research reports, literature reviews and case reports. Editorials often are shorter, but still include references and contribute to the profession's body of knowledge. Both article types are assessed by at least one peer reviewer. Either type of submission is acceptable as an Emerging Researcher.

Guidelines for Submission

Ownership of Equipment

Title to all apparatus, equipment, material, instruments, and products purchased, built, prepared or fabricated by an organization with the Foundation research grant funds will normally vest in the grantee, with the understanding that such equipment will remain in use for the specific project for which it was obtained.

Distribution of Funds

If you are selected to receive this grant award, the Foundation will send a check for the approved amount directly to the grants administrator of your college, university or medical institution once the appropriate releases have been signed and returned to the Foundation. A final report of expenditures must be submitted to the Foundation when the project is completed. Unused funds must be returned to the Foundation.

Selection Process

It is the responsibility of the ASRT Foundation Board of Trustees to approve grant recipients. The trustees have established a Research Grants Advisory Panel (RGAP) of medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals to assist in evaluating grant proposals. RGAP members will evaluate the "blinded" proposals according to the required application content.

Guidelines for Submission

The initial electronic application form included in this packet must be submitted by the deadline as stated in the timeline on page 1 of this packet. If the proposal is approved, the final application content must then be received by the deadline as stated in the timeline. The final application will be forwarded to the Foundation Board of Trustees for final consideration of funding.

Grant Allowances

- Grant requests must not exceed \$4,000. Direct costs of conducting the project may include expendable supplies, nonexpendable equipment, printing and publications and necessary clinical tests and procedures purchased from other laboratories. Items of nonexpendable equipment costing more than 20% of the total grant amount will be considered only in exceptional circumstances and should be justified with a Supporting Budget Statement, including a plan for disposition of the equipment after the research project has ended. Indirect costs are limited to 10% or less of the total award amount.

