



**California Association of Toxicologists
Research Assistant Grant**

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Objective of the award: The California Association of Toxicologists (CAT) offers an award to promote research and inquiry into toxicology and the sharing of these results with fellow toxicologists. Proposals for the study of the interaction of pharmaceuticals or poisons with physiological systems or projects relating to the practice of analysis and interpretation of drug concentrations in biological specimens are solicited. It is intended to fund projects in the area of clinical and forensic toxicology.

Contact information. Any questions prior to or during the application process can be addressed to the chair of the CAT Research Assistant Grant. Once completed, please forward an electronic version of all of the requested information to the chair of the CAT Research Assistant Grant at the following address:

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Who qualifies to apply: CAT members or non-members with a CAT member as a sponsor.

How to apply: Follow the attached instructions and direct the application to the Chair of the CAT Research Assistant Grant.

Expenses to be reimbursed: The award will pay approved expenses relating to the research (supplies, materials, services) or expenses involved in travel to scientific meetings for the purpose of presenting results of the research project.

How to be reimbursed: Submit an itemized bill after the presentation at a quarterly CAT meeting to the Chair of the Research Assistant Grant. The Chair of the Research Assistant Grant will forward the bill to the CAT Treasurer for reimbursement. Submit within two weeks of the presentation a summary of the research project to the Recording Secretary for inclusion in the next CAT Newsletter. An advance on the proposed budget is possible if the CAT Board of Directors has

approved the application. Requests for advance award funding should be made to the Chair of the Research Assistant Grant.

When to apply: All applications will be considered and can be submitted any time of the year. There is no limit to the number of awards granted per year.

Application approval: There must be time for the CAT Board of Directors to consider the application prior to the announcement of the award at the next quarterly meeting. The deadline for consideration by the Board will be two months prior to the date of any upcoming quarterly meeting. The application will be distributed to all of the Board members by the Scholarship Chairperson. It is not necessary to convene the Board, but two-thirds of the elected Board members must approve the award application.

Project completion deadline: There is an expectation that the project will be completed in a timely fashion. Extensions may be requested if the project is expected to take longer than a year. Recipients of the award are expected to present their findings at a future CAT meeting and the findings are to be published in the CAT newsletter.

Current award amount: The California Association of Toxicologists has made available \$2,500. In addition, up to \$500 is available for travel expenses to recipients of the award who will be expected to present their findings at a future CAT meeting. (Speakers should register, but are not to be charged a registration fee for the day of their presentation at the CAT meeting.)

Application form: Instructions are included in the application form on pages 3 to 6. Please complete each section of the form.

Biosketch of applicant (and sponsor): The applicant and sponsor (if applicable) must submit a biosketch with the application. It should include:

1. Education
2. Experience
3. Membership in Professional Organizations
4. List of publications and presentations (if applicable)

**CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TOXICOLOGISTS
RESEARCH ASSISTANT GRANT
APPLICATION FORM**

PROJECT TITLE

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME

AFFILIATION

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

FAX

EMAIL

ARE YOU A CAT MEMBER?

If you are not a full member, you will need a CAT Sponsor.

CAT SPONSOR INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)

NAME

AFFILIATION

TELEPHONE

EMAIL

HYPOTHESIS

What you intend to prove or disprove, e.g. Our hypothesis is that our proposed method for analysis is more sensitive and specific for the target drug than currently existing methods.

SPECIFIC AIMS

What specifically do you intend to accomplish?

BACKGROUND

A description of the current issues related to your proposal.

PRELIMINARY DATA

Describe preliminary data if applicable.

RESEARCH DESIGN & METHODS

Describe how you are going to do the proposed work to support your specific aims and to test your hypothesis.

SIGNIFICANCE

Describe how the proposed project is important to clinical and/or forensic toxicology.

REFERENCES

Provide a list of references cited in the proposal.

BUDGET

List a detailed budget for the proposed research project. You may attach a budget separately if you prefer.

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DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED

STATUS

ON