

ASB Junior Faculty Research Award (JFRA)

***** GUIDELINES *****

The purpose of this program is to support early career ASB regular members pursuing biomechanics research by offering a source of research funding. The grants are distributed on a competitive basis and are intended to offset the costs directly associated with conducting research. Funds may be used for small equipment items, materials and supplies, and animal or participant costs, and \$1000 can be used to support graduate student stipends or hourly pay, but no indirect costs of research. *ASB anticipates awarding one grant of \$5000 for a one-year period beginning in July each year.*

Eligibility

Eligible applicants will be ASB regular members in good standing, hold a terminal degree (MD, PhD, PT, DVM, etc.), and be employed full time in a tenure-track or non-tenure-track position at the Assistant level or equivalent at a degree-granting institution. Eligible applicants must have been in their current position or rank for no more than six years before the application deadline. Any questions about eligibility can be directed to the ASB Treasurer.

Expectations

It is expected that recipients will attend and present their research at an annual ASB meeting taking place within two years following receipt of the Award. Furthermore, the recipient will be asked to contribute a short article about the project for a future ASB Newsletter. If publications result from the data collected under this project, the ASB must be acknowledged as a funding source.

The deadline for submission of ASB Junior Faculty Award applications is February 28 of each year.

Questions can be submitted electronically via email to the ASB Awards Chair. An evaluation committee selected by the ASB Awards Chair will review applications, with funding to be distributed at the beginning of July. Projects are expected to run for a 12-month period. See ASB website for submission instructions.

Application Instructions:

Pages of 8.5" x 11" are to be used, with margins of no less than 1 inch and a font size no less than 11 point (9 point font and single-spacing is permitted for figure captions and tables). Not respecting the above guidelines may warrant disqualification.

Application components should be collected into a single PDF file for transmission. Please name the PDF file JRFA#####_LastnameFM where ##### is the current year and FM are the first and middle name initials.

Because this award is directed towards Junior faculty, preliminary data are not required. If an applicant wishes to include preliminary data to support hypotheses or to demonstrate expertise

in a particular technique, it *may* be included in either the background or methods section of the proposal.

Format and evaluation criteria:

Title Page (1 page single-spaced)

- Applicant information:
 - name, ASB member number, email, degree, department and institution
- Project title
- 150 word abstract
- Fiscal agent / contact for the Treasurer
- Name to which the check should be made payable

Sources of other support/overlap statement (1 page, single spaced)

List all other committed and pending sources of financial and student support for the Investigator and Laboratory, *including* external funding and institutional commitments. For each source, list any potential overlap with the proposed project.

Evaluation Criteria	Number of Points	Number of Pages
Research Proposal	80	3 pages
1. Background and significance	30	
2. Specific aims and hypotheses	15	
3. Methods/Approach	25	
4. Relevance of the proposal to biomechanics	5	
Statement about the potential impact of the project on your research program	5	0.5 pages
Facilities and Resources relevant to the project	5	1 page
Candidate Biosketch*	15	2 pages
Itemized budget and justification		
Reference list with citations in the text		
Total	100 points	

*Please use the “new” NIH format but limit to 2 pages. See: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/424/index.htm#biosketch> and link to General format)