



THE HEALING FOUNDATION

Rebuilding the bodies, minds and lives of people with disfigurements

AB Wallace Memorial Award 2012

In partnership with the British Burn Association (BBA)

Guidelines, Terms and Conditions

Introduction

The Healing Foundation is a UK charity championing the cause of people living with disfigurement and visible loss of function by funding research into pioneering surgical and psychological healing techniques and, through research, by raising awareness and providing information about the cause and sources of support.

The Healing Foundation has established The Healing Foundation Centre at the University of Manchester, a major 25 year research project to investigate wound healing and tissue regeneration. The Healing Foundation is embarking on two major cleft research initiatives, a Clinical Trials Unit at the University of Manchester and a gene bank and birth cohort study at the University of Bristol. The Foundation has also recently announced that it has awarded funds to consortia lead by the University of Bristol and University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust to support two major, collaborative programmes of study to address key research objectives in burns, as well a wide range of other, substantial research projects into all aspects disfigurement, wound healing and scarring.

Purpose

The Healing Foundation and the British Burn Association wish to award a prize of up to £10,000 to support research in the area of 'burns, disfigurement and visible loss of function' and which pays tribute to the visionary ideals of AB Wallace, the pioneering burns research surgeon, famously passionate about the role of research in advancing burns medicine and care for patients.

Eligibility

Application is open to Professional Members of the ISBI or the BBA, for research that can be shown to have genuine impact on the burn patient. This includes all aspects of prevention, acute care, burn wound healing and post-burn scarring, and post-burn rehabilitation.

This award can be used to support costs including staff, equipment and materials associated with a new or ongoing research project.

Applications are encouraged from low or lower middle income countries as are international collaborations that celebrate the ISBI 'One World, One Standard of Burn Care' theme.

Selection Process

All applications for the AB Wallace Memorial Award will be peer reviewed by a panel chaired Mr David Herndon, the AB Wallace Memorial Lecturer 2012. The panel will be supported by external peer reviewers as appropriate.

The successful applicant will be announced following the AB Wallace Memorial Lecture at the BBA annual scientific meeting, which in 2012 will be incorporated into the 16th Congress of the International Society of Burn Injuries in Edinburgh. They will also be notified by formal letter from the Healing Foundation.

Terms and Conditions of the Award

1. Applicants must either be 'Professional Members', or be supported in their application by a Professional Member of the British Burn Association (BBA) or the International Society for Burn Injuries (ISBI) (this can be indicated by a 'letter of support' from a BBA or ISBI Professional Member which should accompany the application).
2. Applications must be submitted on the official Healing Foundation application form.
3. The research must be in the area of 'burns, disfigurement and visible loss of function'.
4. Proposals must detail the cost and expected benefit to the research of the items proposed to be purchased with the award.
5. The award is not transferable.
6. One copy of the application must be emailed to Anna Bartholomew, Healing Foundation Research Coordinator annab@thehealingfoundation.org and one signed hard copy with four copies must be sent to the address below, **before 5pm on Friday 6 July 2012.**

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