



Young Investigator Corresponding Member 2018 – 2022 Executive Committee of the International Union of Basic and Clinical Pharmacology (IUPHAR)

Purpose:

To gain from a volunteer Young Investigator some insights and opinions about what interests and attracts the participation in IUPHAR by the newest generation of pharmacologists

Role:

While the Young Investigator would not be a formal member of the group, by participating as a Corresponding Member in the ongoing communication and activities of the Executive Committee, it is anticipated that the selected individual will share perspectives and attitudes representative of the emerging researchers in pharmacology. Such feedback will be particularly valuable to the Executive Committee while evaluating new strategies and programs, especially with regard to social media and developing technologies. The Young Investigator reports to the Secretary General and coordinates his or her activity with the Executive Officer.

Criteria:

The Young Investigator Corresponding Member must be a pharmacologist who, at the time of appointment, is no more than five years beyond receipt of his or her highest terminal degree (e.g., PhD, MD, PharmD). The individual must be fluent in spoken and written English, employed or studying in an organization actively engaged in pharmacology research, have access to appropriate equipment and connections to the IUPHAR social media sites, and be willing to participate in international meetings. The volunteer is expected to serve for the four years between World Congresses.

Responsibilities:

The Young Investigator Corresponding Member is expected to share with the Executive Committee his or her observations about the trends in pharmacology among his or her peers. In particular, the individual will be asked to offer feedback on proposed IUPHAR projects and initiatives as they related to young researchers, offer advice to World Congress organizers regarding activities to attract Young Investigator registrants, and collaborate with the IUPHAR Executive Officer in managing communication and announcements through the various IUPHAR social media channels. It is important that the responsibilities of the Young Investigator to IUPHAR do not undermine or interfere with the volunteer's education or employment, therefore, it is recommended that demands on the Young Investigator be limited to one or two hours per week and no more than one trip per year. For the annual Executive Committee meeting, the Young Investigator Corresponding Member will receive from IUPHAR the same travel stipend, based on country of residence, as the other members of the Executive Committee.

It is anticipated that the Young Investigator Corresponding Member of the IUPHAR Executive Committee will benefit from the volunteer position by virtue of networking with international experts in pharmacology and the prestige of being chosen will help advance his or her career when competing for new employment or grant opportunities.

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