**BSN Research Visit Grant**

**Deadlines: 1st February, 1st August**

**Rules**

**Eligibility**

* ***All members* (UK and International)**including academic staff, post-doctoral research fellows and postgraduate students, wishing to either visit another lab, or host a visit.
* You must have been a member of the BSN for at least 6 months. See website for details on how to join the BSN - <https://my.neuroendo.org.uk/>

**Summary**

* Strictly for supporting neuroendocrinologists visiting research labs in the UK, Europe or the rest of the world in order to learn a technique or to carry out experiments essential to their project (may include more than 1 trip if necessary).
* Awards are to support travel and accommodation (not subsistence), and receipts for these costs are required upon return.
* Some financial support is available for limited and identified consumables required for the techniques to be used.
* Costs towards salary can be requested.

**Further information**

Applications must be made in advance: retrospective applications will not be considered. Previously unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to reapply, although we do not consider grant resubmissions.

Contact the BSN Membership Team ([theteam@neuroendo.org.uk](mailto:theteam@neuroendo.org.uk)).

**Award value**

Awards will be up to a maximum of **£5000** for salary costs, travel, and accommodation and identified consumables.

Up to 6 awards (or a total of £30k) will be made per year, with generally no more than half of these being made at the first annual deadline.

**Application form and deadlines**

Please complete the application form, which can be downloaded from the BSN webpages. Justification for the grant is necessary.

Deadlines for application will be quarterly **1st Feb, 1st Aug,** - applications received after the deadlines will not be considered.

Please submit your application by e-mail to [theteam@neuroendo.org.uk](mailto:theteam@neuroendo.org.uk)

**Award Committee**

* A subgroup of the BSN Committee chaired by Michelle Bellingham will act as the Grants Committee.
* Members of the Committee will not take any part in an award round in which they have sponsored an application, or have themselves applied.

**Award criteria**

In the event that there are more applicants than awards available, decisions as to whether to fund and/or the level of funding will use the following criteria:

Applicants will be favoured if:

* the research is likely to be especially productive and/or provides specialised experience that cannot be achieved in the home lab.
* They have previously supported the BSN by attending the annual meeting or publishing in the Journal of Neuroendocrinology.