

# MPA 2026

## Molecular Psychiatry Meeting

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MARCH 29 - APRIL 01, 2026

MPA Molecular Psychiatry Association

Lihue, Hawaii

## Young Investigator Travel Award Applications

**Application Deadline: October 1, 2025**

### GUIDELINES

- There are two categories of travel awards:
  - Students currently enrolled in PhD, MD, or MD/PhD programs.
  - Postdoctoral fellows, medical residents, or junior faculty within 5 years of completing postdoctoral or residency training. Applicants may have a career development award (K-type) but may not be PI on a current or previous R-level grant (R03 and R36 grants permitted).
- You will be asked to upload:
  - Your CV or NIH bio sketch (PDF)
  - A half-page career statement and explanation of why this travel award would be beneficial for you (PDF)
  - One letter of recommendation that also confirms your eligibility (*for graduate/medical student award, currently enrolled in PhD, MD, or MD/PhD program; for postdoc/resident/junior faculty award, currently a postdoctoral fellow or resident, or within 5 years of completing training*).

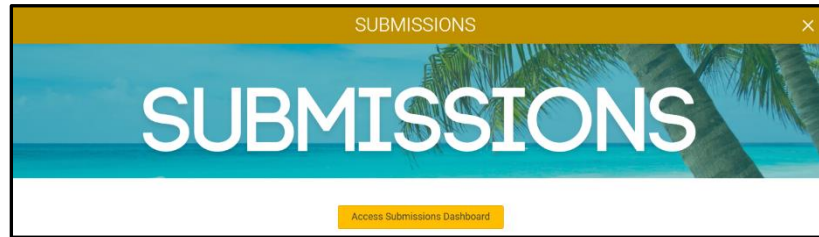
Both the career statement and recommendation letter should address the applicant's financial need to attend the conference. Applications will be reviewed for contributions to the molecular psychiatry field that are appropriate for their career level, other activities that demonstrate high promise for future contributions to the molecular psychiatry field, and financial need. Preference will be given to those presenting a symposium talk or poster at the meeting. (PDF)

- Only young investigators receiving travel awards will be notified in the fall. Awards for both categories are for \$2,000. Travel awardees must register for the conference (registration fees are *not* waived). A maximum of one travel award will be awarded to applicants who are supported by the same research lab. *Previous awardees are ineligible.*

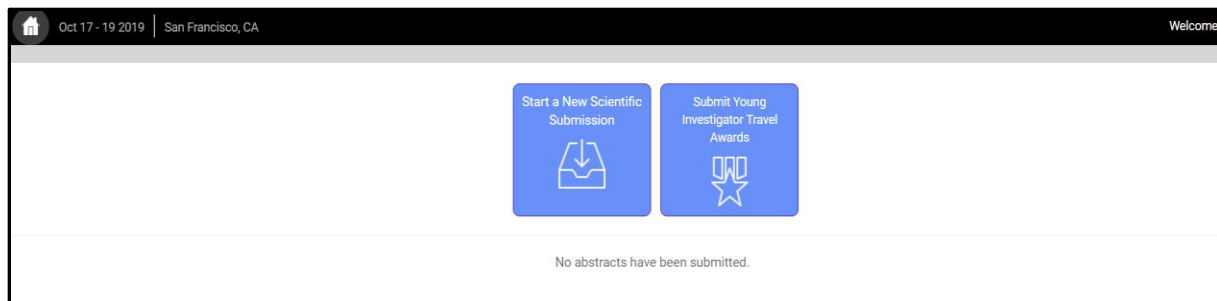
### STEPS FOR SUBMISSION:

1. Visit the Submission Portal and log in: <https://mpa.societyconference.com/v2/>
  - a. If you are a current or previous member of MPA, your account is stored within our system. You will log in with your email and your password. If you have forgotten your password, please select "Forgot Password", and it will be emailed to you. If you have an account but your email address has since changed, email [info@molecularpsychiatry.net](mailto:info@molecularpsychiatry.net) to update your email address on your account.
  - b. If you are a new submitter or your email address is not recognized by the system, please create a new account.

2. Click on Submissions card and then “Access My Dashboard”



3. Once on your Dashboard, select the large blue square “Submit Young Investigator Travel Awards”



4. Select the travel award type and upload the documents needed.

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- (2) Postdoctoral fellows, medical residents, or junior faculty within 5 years of completing postdoctoral or residency training. Applicants may have a career development award (K-type) but may not be PI on a current or previous R-level grant (R03 and R36 grants permitted).

Please upload your CV or NIH biosketch, a half-page career statement and explanation of why this travel award would be beneficial for you, and one letter of recommendation that also confirms your eligibility (for graduate/medical student award, currently enrolled in PhD, MD, or MD/PhD program; for postdoc/resident/junior faculty award, currently a postdoctoral fellow or resident, or within 5 years of completing training). Both the career statement and recommendation letter should address the applicant's financial need to attend the conference. Applications will be reviewed for contributions to the molecular psychiatry field that are appropriate for their career level, other activities that demonstrate high promise for future contributions to the molecular psychiatry field, and financial need. Preference will be given to those presenting a symposium talk or poster at the meeting.

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**Young Investigator Travel Award**

Graduate/Medical Students

Postdoctoral Fellows/Medical Residents/Junior Faculty

- **Graduate/Medical Students:**

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**Attestation \***

Please attest that you qualify for the Young Investigator Travel Graduate/Medical Students Award.

*--Currently enrolled in a PhD, MD, or MD/PhD program.*  
*--Have not previously received a travel award from MPA.*

☐ I attest that I have read the eligibility requirements and qualify to receive a Young Investigator Travel Award.

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**Attendance \***

Will you be able to attend the MPA Meeting if you do not receive a Young investigator Travel Award?

☐ Yes  
☐ No

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**CV or NIH Biosketch (PDF) \***

Please upload your CV or NIH Biosketch.

Upload

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**Career Statement (PDF) \***

Please upload your half-page career statement and explanation of why this travel award would be beneficial for you.

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**Letter of Recommendation (PDF) \***

Please upload a letter of recommendation that also confirms your eligibility (currently enrolled in PhD, MD, or MD/PhD program).

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- **Postdoctoral Fellows/Junior Faculty:**

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**Attestation \***

Please attest that you qualify for the Young Investigator Travel Postdoctoral Fellows/Medical Residents/Junior Faculty Award.

*–Currently hold postdoctoral training position, enrolled in medical residency program, or hold a faculty appointment and within 5 years of completing postdoctoral or residency training. May have a career development award (K-type) but may not be PI on a current or previous R-level grant (R03 and R36 grants permitted).*

*–Have not previously received a travel award from MPA.*

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**Attendance \***

Will you be able to attend the MPA Meeting if you do not receive a Young investigator Travel Award?

☐ Yes

☐ No

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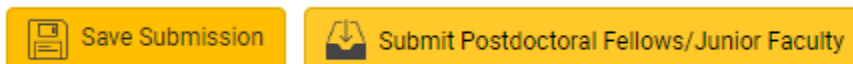
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5. Once completed, click the “Submit” button at the top. If you only want to save and come back and make edits, select “Save Submission”.



Submitted applications can be edited until the submission period closes.

After the submission period closes, all applications will be reviewed. All participants will receive notification of acceptance/rejection by email.