



International Society for Clinical Electrophysiology of Vision

Marmor Award for Clinical Innovation in Visual Electrophysiology

Instructions for Applicants

The Marmor Award for Clinical Innovation in Visual Electrophysiology is designed to serve ISCEV and the discipline of clinical electrophysiology by encouraging new work that will widen the clinical applications of our tests and enhance their practicality. The Award is funded by an endowment from Michael Marmor, Professor of Ophthalmology at Stanford University School of Medicine, California, USA.

Increased use of electrophysiologic tests may come from demonstrations of medical value, or from improvements in factors such as cost, signal variability, comfort, time, availability, etc. This award will be made to innovative projects rather than to individuals, and will challenge the recipients, whether junior or senior, to continue the award-winning work to the next level of translation.

Eligible projects must involve an ISCEV member as at least one of the authors (not necessarily presenting), and must involve original work that opens new opportunities in one of two areas:

- 1) Improving the **practicality** of electrophysiology procedures: e.g. speed, reliability, ease, cost
- 2) Widening the clinical **applicability** of our procedures to individual patients: e.g. to clarify common diseases or to evaluate diseases not previously amenable to testing.

An initial award will be made to several promising projects with the above goals in mind. A second and much larger award will be made two years later to the initial project that most successfully translates the preliminary work into clinical value, assuming that goal is achieved. Judges will be senior ISCEV members designated by the Secretary-General, typically involving the ISCEV Board of Directors.

Application

Applicants should indicate that they wish to be considered for the award at the time of abstract submission using the checkbox provided.

Initial Awards

Monetary prizes of \$500 will be made to a small set (typically 2-4) of projects presented at each ISCEV Symposium and selected from the applicants. The initial award should be divided among the authors as they see fit.

Follow-up Award

A second and larger prize of \$2500 will be awarded two ISCEV Symposia hence to the initial project that has most effectively continued the work to demonstrate clinical use or value. An ISCEV member must continue to be involved as an author. To be eligible, a group must A) present the work at the Symposium, and have a project member present at the award ceremony to receive the prize, if granted and B) submit by e-mail, at least 3 weeks prior to the Symposium, a manuscript or detailed description of results to facilitate judging. This second, follow-up award requires evidence of suitable progress, and may not be awarded if no project is deemed to achieve this or if no project member is present at the award ceremony. The follow-up award should be divided among those who continued the work.

Conditions of the Award

1. Decisions of the judging committee are final.
2. The decision will be communicated to the applicants by the judging committee during the Symposium and before the Award ceremony.
3. Awards will only be made if a project team member attends the award ceremony in person.
4. Conditions of the initial Marmor Awards are:
 - a. that the project must involve an ISCEV member as one of the authors
 - b. that the abstract pertaining to the project is accepted for presentation at that year's Symposium (either as an oral or as a poster presentation)
 - c. that the accepted abstract is presented by one of the project group attending the Symposium, i.e. failure to attend the Symposium will result in withdrawal from consideration for the Award
 - d. that the project involves original work that opens new opportunities in one of two areas (improved practicality or wider applicability) as described above.
5. Conditions of the single, follow-up Marmor Award are:
 - a. that the winning project shows evidence of effective continuation of the work: this should demonstrate clinical use or value.
 - b. that the abstract pertaining to the follow-up work is accepted for presentation at the next-but-one Symposium after the initial award was made (either as an oral or as a poster presentation)
 - c. that the accepted abstract is presented by one of the project group attending the Symposium, i.e. failure to attend the Symposium will result in withdrawal from consideration for the follow-up Award
 - d. that an ISCEV member continue to be involved as an author
 - e. that a manuscript or detailed description of results is submitted to the Marmor judging committee by e-mail at least 3 weeks prior to the first day of the Symposium.