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## Lectures and Symposia

### **President's Address** **\$15,000**

The AAI president officially opens the AAI annual meeting with a presentation of his or her research. As AAI presidents are among the most outstanding immunologists world-wide, this session is attended by the largest audience of the meeting. (Audience: 2,000)

*Qualifies for Premier Sponsorship Level IV*

### **President's Symposium** **\$15,000**

The AAI president is the chair of a symposium of his or her choosing featuring prominent immunologists invited to present cutting-edge research. This session typically attracts a standing-room-only audience. (Audience: 1,800)

*Qualifies for Premier Sponsorship Level IV*

### **Distinguished Lectures (3)** **\$15,000 all**

Each day the scientific program ends with a plenary lecture by a scientist designated by the AAI Program Committee as one of the most talented and renown immunologists today. (Audience: 1,800)

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### **Major Symposia (8)** **\$10,000 each**

Eight Major Symposia are featured throughout the meeting: two concurrently each morning. These sessions present the most innovative science in the field today. Five to six noted scientists are featured in each session. (Audience: 1,000–1,200 each)

*Qualifies for Premier Sponsorship Level III*

### **Block Symposia** **\$5,000 each**

Abstracts submitted to the AAI annual meeting are peer-reviewed, and the most outstanding abstracts are selected for oral presentation in Block Symposia (~50). Eight fifteen-minute presentations are scheduled per Block. Presenters may range from graduate students making their first public presentations to the most senior investigators in the field. These sessions present unpublished data. (Audiences: 150–500)

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### **Speaker Ready Room** **\$5,000 per day/ \$20,000 for meeting duration**

Speakers in sessions use the Speaker Ready Room to prepare for their lectures. Light refreshments will be provided. Sponsorship includes acknowledgment on signage placed outside the room and on the refreshment table.

*Qualifies as Premier Level Sponsorship corresponding to level of commitment*



## Career Development Programs

Through workshops, roundtables, and one-on-one counseling, **IMMUNOLOGY 2012™** provides critical career development programs. AAI also provides much needed travel grants for junior faculty and trainees who might not otherwise be able to attend the meeting. Support these programs to support the PIs of tomorrow!

### **Careers Lecture and Roundtable Event** **\$10,000**

Registrations for this always-popular session traditionally exceed its capacity attendance of 250 scientists. The session opens with a prominent scientist sharing lessons learned on his/her career path in a chosen field—academia, government, non-profit, or industry. Roundtable discussions follow, led by experienced professionals on specific career issues and options. Refreshments are served.

*Qualifies for Premier Sponsorship Level III*

### **AAI Laboratory Travel Grants** **\$2,500/grant\***

These grants provide travel support to mid-career investigators for attending the AAI annual meeting. The grants are awarded to scientists who have limited funds for travel but are the first or last authors on one or more abstracts submitted to the annual meeting. Each grant will provide two travel awards of up to \$1,250 each: one to the PI or laboratory director and another to a member of his or her lab.

### **AAI Early Career Faculty Travel Grants** **\$1,250/grant\***

These grants assist promising young investigators with travel to the AAI annual meeting. Testimonials from past recipients confirm that this modest grant makes a huge difference in their career development.

### **AAI Trainee Abstract Awards** **\$500/award\***

These awards provide critical travel support for AAI Trainee Members whose first-author abstracts are selected for oral presentation in an AAI Block Symposium. Over 150 are given to our most talented developing investigators.

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## Social Events

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### **Opening Night Reception**

**SOLD**

Immediately following the President's Address (2,000 Attendees)

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### **Young Investigators Party (YIP!)**

**At Cost**

Always popular, this event enables young scientists to meet and network in a relaxed yet vibrant atmosphere. (600–700 Attendees)

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### **IMMUNOLOGY 2012™ Gala**

**SOLD**

This premier social event is a great opportunity to network and seek out new acquaintances among fellow scientists. (1,800 Scientific Attendees)

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### **President's Service Appreciation Reception**

**SOLD**

This event honors current AAI member volunteers who give generously of their time in support of the AAI mission. (225 Attendees)

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