



The RNA Society/Scaringe Young Scientist Award



The RNA Society/Scaringe Young Scientist Award was established to recognize the achievement of young scientists engaged in RNA research and to encourage them to pursue a career in the field of RNA. The award is open to all junior scientists (graduate students or postdoctoral fellows) from all regions of the world who have made a significant contribution to the broad area of RNA. The award is not restricted to authors who have published in the *RNA* Journal. The prize will recognize one outstanding graduate student and one postdoctoral fellow based on their research accomplishments to date, a 1000-word essay describing their scientific contributions to RNA research, and a 500-word abstract for a review in their field of RNA research.

Judging Procedures:

All applications are evaluated by the RNA Society Awards Committee. The applicants will be divided into one of two groups: graduate students or postdoctoral fellows. Applications will be judged on the quality of the research and the entrant's ability to articulate his or her research contributions to the field of RNA. This committee will choose two graduate student and two postdoctoral fellow finalists prior to the abstract deadline for the annual meeting.

Prizes:

The finalists' names will appear in the abstract book and their expenses associated with attending the meeting will be reimbursed. One graduate student and one postdoctoral fellow winner will be selected at the annual meeting. The winners will receive a cash prize and a one-year membership to the RNA Society that includes a subscription to the journal *RNA*. By accepting the prize, the winner agrees to write a minireview or review for *RNA*. The review can be written solely or in collaboration with their advisor.

Application procedure:

- ◆ Complete this form using Microsoft Word by typing your text into the gray boxes, which will expand as you write.
- ◆ Name the completed form as LastName_Scaringe.doc
- ◆ Return the saved file via email to Ann Marie Micenmacher at rnajournal@cwru.edu

Please note that it is your responsibility to make sure the PI sends this letter by the application due date as they will not receive a reminder from the Award Committee.

Deadline:

Only completed applications received by **January 30, 2006** will be considered.

Application Form

First Name

Last Name

Institution

Mailing Address

City, State

Country

Postal/Zip Code

Phone

Email

I certify that the information in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. Furthermore, I certify that I wrote the research description and abstract for a review without input from other graduate students, postdoctoral fellows or senior scientists in the field.

Your Name (you may also use an electronic signature)

Date

Only completed applications received by January 13th, 2006 will be considered.

Please note that due to time constraints on the review process, the RNA Society Award Committee, The RNA Society and the Scaringe Foundation cannot provide any feedback to applicants before, during or after the after the review process.

A. Education. Please list your undergraduate and graduate education.

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY

B. Scientific positions held (if applicable). List in chronological order previous positions, concluding with your present position.

C. Honors & Awards received. List the academic and professional awards and honors you received as a student.

D. Selected peer-reviewed publications. List full citation, including title and authors for publication in chronological order. Do not include publications in preparation.

E. Presentations. List the type of presentation and title, location of presentation and date (for example, meeting title, location, date)

F. Summary of Research Accomplishments. Provide a summary of your past and present research accomplishments. Be sure to indicate how your work contributed to RNA research. THIS SECTION HAS A MAXIMUM WORDS LIMIT OF 1000 WORDS. Longer text will be truncated at 1000 words.

G. Abstract of a minireview or review in your field of RNA. This should include a brief description of the current state of the field to set up the questions that you would answer in your review. You should also provide the rationale for writing on this topic at this particular time (for example, the progress that has been made, how it relates to what has been known and how it may affect future direction of the field). THIS SECTION HAS A MAXIMUM WORDS LIMIT OF 500 WORDS. Longer text will be truncated at 500 words.

H. Letter of support

Please ask your PI or another PI familiar with your work to provide this letter of support for your application to RNA Society/Scaringe Award.

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- ◆ **DUE DATE: January 13th, 2006**

Name of Applicant

Your name

Your institution

Phone of PI

Email of PI

PI Recommendation

(500 words maximum-longer text will be truncated)