

DRS. AYEEZ AND SHELENA LALJI & FAMILY STUDENT SCHOLAR AWARD FOR REPAIR AND REGENERATIVE MECHANISMS IN ALS

Drs. Ayeez and Shelena Lalji & Family Student Scholar Award for Repair and Regenerative Mechanisms in ALS

APPLICATION FORM

Overview

In 2022, Drs. Ayeez and Shelena Lalji & Family established the **Student Scholar Award in Repair Mechanisms in ALS** in honor of Dr. Ayeez Lalji, who was diagnosed in 2017 and is still bravely and valiantly living with ALS. This award will recognize and attract the brightest young scientists into the field of ALS and facilitate meaningful research to understand the mechanisms underlying axonal and neuronal repair and regeneration in ALS and/or other neurodegenerative disorders that may be translatable to ALS.

Eligibility

Application is open to undergraduate, graduate, or summer students focused on studying mechanisms of axonal repair, neuronal repair and regeneration applicable to ALS and/or other neurodegenerative disorders. The students will be conducting research, under the direction of a mentor. Applications must be accompanied by a letter of support from the mentor who oversees the laboratory where the research will be performed.

Award \$5,000 USD.

Application

Each student applying must complete an application outlining their project (2-page maximum) and provide their CV. The applications must be accompanied by a letter of support from the faculty mentor who will supervise the student.

Selection

The awardees will be selected by members of the Lalji family, Healey Center Scientific Advisory Council, and advisors who are living with ALS. The selection will be based on the academic credentials of the student, the scientific merit of the proposed project, and the relevancy of the proposal to axonal and neuronal repair in ALS.

Timeline for Submission

- Release Date: March 1st, 2023
- Nomination Due Date: September 1st, 2023
- Notification to successful candidate: November 2023

Learn more about the Healey Center for ALS: <u>https://www.massgeneral.org/neurology/als/</u>

Learn more about The Lalji ALS Foundation and ALS Heroes: https://alsheroes.com/

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Project Title:

Applicant Name:

Applicant E-Mail:

Applicant Phone:

Applicant Address:

Applicant Signature and Date:

Supervisor Name:

Supervisor E-Mail:

Supervisor Phone:

Supervisor Address:

Supervisor Signature and Date:

Institution Name:

Institution E-Mail:

Institution Phone:

Institution Address:

Institution Signature and Date:



PROJECT SUMMARY

Minimum font size: Arial 11. Maximum 2 pages

Lay Summary: (150-word max)

Please note that this summary will be used in communications and materials if application is approved

PROPOSAL

Please include the following: *Specific Aims; Significance and Impact For ALS, Project Design and Methods, Timeline & Milestones*



CV Academic CV and list of publications in pdf format.

Letter of Support At least one letter of support from the faculty mentor who will supervise the student.

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