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EVARTS A. GRAHAM MEMORIAL TRAVELING FELLOWSHIP, 2014-2015

Overview

The Everts A. Graham Memorial Traveling Fellowship was established in 1951 by the American Association for Thoracic Surgery for the purpose of supporting study within North America by promising young academic cardiothoracic surgeons from outside the region to broaden their overall training and increase international contacts. Since the inception of the Graham Fellowship, 60 individuals from 30 countries have completed the Fellowship.

Please address all letters to:

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AATS Graham Foundation
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The Fellowship is funded and administered through the AATS Graham Foundation, and provides a stipend of \$75,000 US to support studies at a primary center of their choice as well as travel to secondary sites in North America. The Fellowship also provides round-trip coach air fares from the recipient's country to his/her primary center.

The dates of the beginning and ending of the Fellowship year should be scheduled to coincide with the Annual Meetings of the American Association for Thoracic Surgery in April 26-30, 2014, Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto, ON, Canada and April 25 – 29, 2015, Washington State Convention Center, Seattle, Washington. The Fellow will be introduced at the Graham Reception in Toronto and will be expected to submit a report summarizing his/her year's experience prior to the May 2015 Annual Council Meeting.

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Fellowship Application Guidelines

Awards are made to surgeons of unique promise who are regarded as having potential for international thoracic surgical leadership.

- A candidate should have completed his/her formal training in general surgery and in thoracic and/or cardiovascular surgery, but should yet not have reached a senior position.
- Candidates must be sufficiently proficient in English to realize the full benefits of the Fellowship.
- The Fellow must identify an individual at a primary center who will act as his/her sponsor and who will assist in planning the course of study at the host institution for a minimum of 6-9 months. A letter of support from that sponsor is required.
- In addition to their primary center, the Fellow is encouraged to select secondary centers in which complementary experience can be acquired, and at which the candidate will spend shorter periods of time. These centers should be selected with guidance from their primary host, and mentors at those locations similarly identified with letters of support submitted.
- The Fellow is expected to engage in observation, consultation, teaching and research during the twelve months. Patient contact will be determined by the sponsoring surgeon and will conform to the regulations and licensing requirements of the state, province, or country in which he/she is studying.
- Candidates must be non-North American residents without significant (> 6 months) prior training in North America prior to making application. While candidates with prior experience may apply, those with no prior experience will receive preference.
- The applicants proposed plan of study must clearly outline the educational insights and benefits that the fellowship will have on their professional career.
- Letters of support and biography submitted by the applicant must outline future ambitions leading towards a potential leadership role in cardiothoracic surgery
- The successful candidate should be planning to return to their native country following the completion of their fellowship.

GRAHAM MEMORIAL TRAVELING FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS

2014-2015	Joon Bum Kim, M.D.	Seoul, Republic of Korea
2013-2014	Haifeng Wang, M.D.	Shanghai, China
2012-2013	Stephane Collaud, M.D.	Zurich, Switzerland
2011-2012	Zhi-gang Li, M.D.	Shanghai, China
2010-2011	Mohsen Ibrahim, M.D.	Rome, Italy
2009-2010	Juan Fibla, M.D.	Barcelona, Spain
2008-2009	Sachin Talwar, M.D.	New Delhi, India
2007-2008	Ioannis Toumpoulis, M.D.	Athens, Greece
2006-2007	Ari Mennander, M.D.	Tampere, Finland
2005-2006	Zsolt Tóth, M.D., Ph.D.	Pécs, Hungary
2004-2005	Smruti Ranjan Mohanty, M.D.	Bangalore, Karnataka, India
2003-2004	Edvin Prifti, MD	Tirana, Albania
2002-2003	Cliff K.C. Choong, M.D.	Auckland, New Zealand
2001-2002	Anna Maria Ciccone, M.D.	Rome, Italy
2000-2001	Albertus M. Scheule, M.D.	Tuebingen, Germany
1999-2000	Anders Franco-Cereceda, M.D.	Sweden
1998-1999	Christian Kreutzer, M.D.	Argentina
1997-1998	Jun Wan, M.D.	P.R. of China
1996-1997	Monica Robotin-Johnson, M.D.	France
1995-1996	Cornelius McKown Dyke, M.D.	United States
1993-1994	Alain Serraf, M.D.	Morocco
1992-1993	Timothy E. Oaks, M.D.	United States
1991-1992	Ko Bando, M.D., Ph.D.	Japan
1989-1990	Christopher Knott-Craig, M.D.	South Africa
1988-1989	Wang Cheng, M.D.	P R China
1987-1988	Byung-Chul Chang, M.D.	Korea
1986-1987	Ari L.J. Harjula, M.D.	Finland
1985-1986	Florentino J. Vargas, M.D.	Argentina
1984-1985	Aram Smolinsky, M.D.	Israel
1983-1984	Georg S. Kobinia, M.D.	Austria
1982-1983	Yasuhisa Shimazaki, M.D.	Japan
1981-1982	Claudio A. Salles, M.D.	Brazil
1981-1982	Richard Firmin, M.D.	England
1978-1979	Eduardo Otero Coto, M.D.	Spain
1977-1978	Alan William Gale, M.D., FRACS	Australia
1976-1977	Bum Koo Cho, M.D.	Korea

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