Application Deadline: Friday, September 29, 2017 at 5 PM

The Foundation for the National Institutes of Health and the NIH Virology Interest Group announce the 19th Annual Norman P. Salzman Memorial Award in Virology. This award has been established to recognize an outstanding research accomplishment by a Postdoctoral, Clinical, or Research Fellow working in the field of virology within the intramural NIH, CBER, or Leidos (formerly SAIC) community. The award honors the 40-year career of Dr. Salzman in virology research and his accomplishments in mentoring young scientists. The winning fellow will receive a plaque and an unrestricted gift of $2,500; the mentor of the awardee will receive a plaque.

Eligible candidates are Postdoctoral Fellows, Research Fellows, or Clinical Fellows in intramural NIH, CBER, or Leidos laboratories who have received their first doctoral degree no more than 6 years before November 6, 2017. Individuals who have been promoted from one of these positions after Aug 30, 2017 to Staff Scientist, tenure-track investigator or Assistant Clinical Investigator also are eligible to apply. The application abstract must cover research conducted only during one of the indicated eligible positions, under the mentorship of a single scientist in an intramural NIH, CBER, or Leidos laboratory. Award selection will be based on the quality and significance of the applicant's research contribution to the field of virology, with special emphasis on the creativity and the rigor with which the research has been performed. Applications will be judged by a committee of scientists from NIH and other institutions. The work submitted must have been published or accepted for publication in a peer-reviewed journal, with the applicant being first or joint-first author on the publication. Applicants who have applied in previous years but were not awarded are encouraged to update their applications and resubmit, if eligible.

The award will be presented at the 19th Annual Norman P. Salzman Virology Symposium, being held on Monday, November 6, 2017, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, in the Lipsett Amphitheatre, Building 10, NIH Campus in Bethesda, MD www.fnih.org/SalzmanSymposium. The recipient will give a 20-minute presentation based on the award-winning abstract. An additional three applicants will be chosen to present their research as posters in the foyer, for which they will each receive a $200 award. The symposium also will feature other prominent speakers in the field of virology. A reception will follow.

Individuals should apply by filling out an application form, which may be obtained from the FNIH website www.fnih.org/SalzmanSymposium. Applications that fail to follow the directions and eligibility requirements in the application form will not be considered. The deadline for receipt of applications is 5:00 PM, Friday, September 29, 2017. Applicants will be notified of the status of their applications on or about October 16, 2017.

All applications MUST be emailed to SalzmanSymposium@mail.nih.gov.