



Scientific Sessions 2026 – General Abstract Submission

Early Career Council Awards and Travel Stipends Available by Abstract Category

Eligibility Requirement

- Applicants must submit their [Scientific Sessions](#) abstract to the category associated with the award by **June 4, 2026, at 6:00 PM CT (UTC-5)**. Your **Abstract Control Number** (e.g., #2026-SS-A-XXXX-AHA) is required to apply.
- Both **applicants and applicant sponsors** must be active members of the **Scientific Council sponsoring the award** and must maintain this membership through the date of recognition at Scientific Sessions 2026. Your **council affiliation** will be validated during the application process.

Membership processing takes 3–5 days. Do not wait until the proposal deadline to [Join or Renew](#).

How To Apply

First-Time Access:

The first time you log in to create an application, you must do so through your [Professional Heart Daily \(PHD\)](#) account. Once logged in, select the Council Award Application System link. For more details, please refer to these [instructions](#).

Returning Users:

Once your Professional Heart Daily and ProposalCentral accounts are linked, you may login here: [Council Awards Application System](#)

Exclusions

- Individuals may **not compete for similar Early Career Investigator awards** from other scientific councils if the awards are presented at the **same meeting**.
- Applicants may apply for **multiple travel grants** but may receive **only one travel grant per meeting per year**.
- **Previous winners and finalists** of a given award are **not eligible** to apply for that same award again; however, they may apply to other award programs for which they have not previously been selected as a winner or finalist.



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IMPORTANT!

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must have submitted an abstract to a category listed under that award and be a [member](#) of the award’s sponsoring council in order to be eligible for consideration.

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Council on Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology (ATVB)

[ATVB Elaine W. Raines Early Career Investigator Award](#)

[ATVB Council Travel Stipend \(Abstract Required\)](#)

<u>Category</u>	<u>Category Name</u>	<u>Sponsoring Council</u>	<u>Community</u>
3.12	Ischemic Myocardium	ATVB	Molecular and Cellular Science
4.15	Differentiation, Remodeling, Extracellular Matrix	ATVB	Regenerative Science
5.18	Atherosclerosis, Hemostasis and Thrombosis and Fibrinolysis	ATVB	Vascular Biology
5.19	Endothelium, Vascular Tone and Nitric Oxide		
5.20	Inflammation and Adhesion Molecules		
5.21	Lipids, Lipid Mediators, and Lipoprotein Metabolism: Cellular and Animal		
5.22	Microcirculation and Cerebral/Coronary/Peripheral Circulation		

Council on Basic Cardiovascular Sciences (BCVS)

[BCVS Louis N. and Arnold M. Katz Basic Science Research Prize for Early Career Investigators](#)

[BCVS Melvin L. Marcus Early Career Investigator Award in Cardiovascular Sciences](#)

[BCVS Council Travel Stipend \(Abstract Required\)](#)

[BCVS Council International Travel Stipend \(Abstract Required\)](#)

[The Jack Sarver Prize in Basic Science](#)

<u>Category</u>	<u>Category Name</u>	<u>Sponsoring Council</u>	<u>Community</u>
1.01	Cardiac Development	BCVS	Cardiac Development, Structure and Function
1.02	Cardiac Hypertrophy, Heart Failure and Ventricular Remodeling		
3.06	Cardiac Metabolism and Energetics	BCVS	Molecular and Cellular Science
3.08	Cellular Signaling		
3.09	Cellular Signaling		
3.10	Electrophysiology and Experimental Models of Arrhythmias		
3.11	Gene Expression/Molecular Biology		
4.13	Angiogenesis, Vascular Development and Regeneration	BCVS	Regenerative Science
4.14	Cell and Tissue Engineering		
4.16	Gene Expression/Molecular Biology		
4.17	Stem/Progenitor Cells		
11.58	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies: Pathophysiology	BCVS	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathy



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Council on Cardiopulmonary, Critical Care, Perioperative and Resuscitation (3CPR)

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9.48	Right Ventricular Function and Physiology	3CPR	Coronary and Structural Heart
10.51	Critical Care Cardiology	3CPR	Critical Care
10.52	ECMO and Mechanical Assist Support		
15.74	Pulmonary Hypertension and Diseases Involving Pulmonary Circulation	3CPR	Pulmonary Hypertension
16.75	Cardiopulmonary Bypass	3CPR	Surgery and Anesthesia

Council on Clinical Cardiology (CLCD)

[CLCD Laennec Fellow in Training \(FIT\) Clinician Award](#)

[CLCD Samuel A. Levine Early Career Clinical Investigator Award](#)

[The Jack Sarver Prize in Clinical Science](#)

[Quest Diagnostics Early Career Investigator Award for Preventive Cardiovascular Medicine Research](#)

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6.23	Arrhythmia: Clinical Electrophysiology Diagnosis	CLCD	Arrhythmia
6.24	Arrhythmia: Clinical Electrophysiology Risk Stratification		
6.25	Treatment of Arrhythmias: Pharmacologic		
6.26	Treatment of Arrhythmias: Ablation and Surgery		
6.27	Treatment of Arrhythmias: Device Therapy		
9.41	Catheter-Based Coronary Imaging and Hemodynamics	CLCD	Coronary and Structural Heart
9.42	Catheter-Based Coronary Interventions		
9.43	Chronic Coronary Disease		
9.44	Clinical Biomarkers in ACS		
9.47	Pharmacology for PCI		
9.49	Unstable Angina, NSTEMI and STEMI: Diagnosis and Pathophysiology		
9.50	Unstable Angina, NSTEMI and STEMI: Prognosis and Pharmacologic Therapy		
11.53	Cardio-Oncology	CLCD	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathy
11.54	End Stage Heart Failure: Transplantation, mechanical circulatory support, and Medical Therapy		
11.55	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies: Diagnosis & Evaluation		
11.56	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies: Disease Management		
11.57	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies: Pacing and Other Therapeutic Devices		
11.59	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies: Pharmacologic Therapy		



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13.64	Echocardiography in Clinical Syndromes	CLCD	Imaging
13.65	Echocardiography: Emerging/New Technologies		
13.66	Echocardiography: Evaluation of Systolic and Diastolic Function		
13.69	Nuclear Cardiology		
14.71	Palliative and End of Life Care	CLCD	Nursing and Allied Healthcare
20.94	Aging and Care of the Older Adult	CLCD	Prevention and Lifestyle
20.101	Sports Cardiology and Stress Testing		
21.107	Health Disparities and Underrepresented Populations	CLCD	Quality and Outcomes Research
21.109	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies: Quality of Care, and Clinical Outcomes		
21.113	Women’s Health and Sex Differences		
23.115	AI In Clinical Decision Making	CLCD	Clinical Cases
23.116	Aortic and Vascular Disease		
23.117	Behavioral Medicine		
23.118	Brain Health, Stroke, and Neuroscience		
23.119	Cardio-Oncology		
23.120	Congenital Heart Disease and Pediatrics		
23.121	Coronary Artery Disease		
23.122	Critical Care Cardiology and Anesthesia		
23.123	Electrophysiology and Arrhythmias		
23.124	Heart Failure and Cardiomyopathies		
23.125	Hypertension and Nephrology		
23.126	Imaging Innovative Modalities		
23.127	Prevention and Cardiovascular Kidney Metabolic Disease		
23.128	Pulmonary Hypertension		
23.129	Valvular Heart Disease		
23.130	Women’s Health and Cardio-Obstetrics		



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Council on Cardiovascular and Stroke Nursing (CVSN)

[CVSN Martha N. Hill Early Career Investigator Award](#)

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14.70	Acute and Chronic Care	CVSN	Nursing and Allied Healthcare
14.72	Primary Care, Prevention and Chronic Disease Management		
14.73	Psychosocial and Behavioral Aspects of Cardiovascular Care		

Council on Cardiovascular Radiology and Intervention (CVRI)

[CVRI Melvin Judkins Early Career Clinical Investigator Award](#)

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[The Jack Sarver Prize in Clinical Science](#)

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13.63	Computed Tomography (CT): Heart	CVRI	Imaging
13.67	Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI): Heart		
13.68	Non-Coronary Vascular Imaging (CT/MRI/Other)		

Council on Cardiovascular Surgery and Anesthesia (CVSA)

[CVSA Early Career Investigator Abstract Award](#)

[CVSA Vivien Thomas Early Career Investigator Award](#)

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[Quest Diagnostics Early Career Investigator Award for Preventive Cardiovascular Medicine Research](#)

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9.40	Aortic Valve	CVSA	Coronary and Structural Heart
9.45	Coronary Revascularization (percutaneous and / or surgical)		
9.46	Mitral and Tricuspid Valve		
16.76	Bridge to and Transplantation	CVSA	Critical Care & Anesthesia
16.77	Heart Failure and Transplantation		
16.78	Intra-operative		
16.79	Peri-operative Care		
16.80	Structural Heart: Transcatheter or Surgical Valve Therapy	CVSA	Vascular Medicine
17.82	Thoracic Aortic Disease		



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Council on Epidemiology and Prevention (EPI)

[EPI Elizabeth Barrett-Connor Research Award for Early Career Investigators in Training](#)

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Category	Category Name	Sponsoring Council	Community
19.89	Biomarkers, Risk Assessment and Risk Prediction	EPI	Epidemiology, AI and Bioinformatics
19.92	Methodology and Data Science		
19.93	Population-Based and Observational Studies		
21.106	Clinical and Hospital-Based Observational Studies	EPI	Quality and Outcomes Research
21.108	Health Equity and Structural Racism		
21.110	Implementation Science		

Council on Genomic and Precision Medicine (GPM)

[GPM Early Career Investigator Award](#)

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[GPM Council International Travel Stipend \(Abstract Required\)](#)

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2.03	Functional Genomics, Transcriptomics, Proteomics, and Metabolomics of Cardiovascular Disease	GPM	Genetics and Genomics
2.04	Genetic Epidemiology, Genomics, Gene-Based Therapies, Gene Editing, and Pharmacogenomics		
2.05	Precision Medicine- Genetic and Genomic Applications		

Council on Lifestyle and Cardiometabolic Health (LCH)

[Lifestyle and Cardiometabolic Health Early Career Investigator Award](#)

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Category	Category Name	Sponsoring Council	Community
18.86	Cardiovascular Kidney and Metabolic Health	LCH	Cardiovascular Kidney Metabolic Health
18.87	Diabetes Mellitus and CVD: Prevention and Management		
18.88	Obesity and Weight Management in CVD Risk and Prevention		
20.95	Clinical Lipidology	LCH	Prevention and Lifestyle
20.96	Exercise, Physical Activity and Rehabilitation		
20.97	LGBTQ+ Health		
20.98	Nutrition in CVD Risk and Prevention		
20.100	Sleep Health		
20.102	Substance Use and CVD		
20.103	Environmental Drivers of Health		



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Council on Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD)

[PVD Jay D. Coffman Early Career Investigator Award](#)

[PVD Council FIT Travel Grant](#)

[The Jack Sarver Prize in Clinical Science](#)

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17.81	Endovascular Therapy	PVD	Vascular Medicine
17.83	Vascular Medicine: Basic and Translational		
17.84	Vascular Medicine: Clinical Science		
17.85	Vascular Medicine: Venous and Thromboembolic Disease		

Council on Quality of Care and Outcomes Research (QCOR)

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[The Jack Sarver Prize in Clinical Science](#)

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19.90	Clinical Trial Design and Research Methodology	QCOR	Epidemiology, AI and Bioinformatics
19.91	Health Tech, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning		
18.95	Social Determinants of Health		
21.104	Cardiovascular Health Policy	QCOR	Clinical Trials, Quality and Outcomes Research
21.105	Disparities in Health Care Delivery		
21.111	Quality of Care and Outcomes Research		
21.112	Social Determinants of Health		

Council on Lifelong Congenital Heart Disease and Heart Health in the Young (Young Hearts)

[Young Hearts Early Career Investigator Award](#)

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8.30	Adult Congenital Heart Disease	Young Hearts	Congenital and Pediatric
8.31	Pediatric Congenital Heart Defects		
8.32	Pediatric Acquired Heart Disease (i.e. infectious diseases, other)		
8.33	Pediatric Imaging		
8.34	Pediatric Electrophysiology		
8.35	Pediatric Epidemiology and Population Prevention		
8.36	Pediatric Clinical Preventive Cardiovascular Disease		
8.37	Pediatric Cardiac Surgery and Intervention		
8.38	Pediatric Heart Failure/Transplantation		
8.39	Pediatric Critical Care Cardiology		