

## SLMA RESEARCH GRANTS 2010

The research promotion committee of the SLMA is glad to inform you that applications are invited for the third round of grants. The first and second rounds of the grants were successfully completed. The grants are targeted for young researchers in their early carrier. Preference will be given for proposals on applied research that could be initiated or completed with the available grant. The maximum financial assistance for a project is Rs 100,000. The guidelines for the award of the grants and the application forms are available in at the SLMA office. The deadline for the applications is 31 of July 2010. Applications will be reviewed by an expert panel and the grant will be awarded on the scientific merit of the proposal.

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Secretary, Research Promotion Committee

### Guidelines for Research Grant Applications to the SLMA Research Fund

1. Only members of SLMA are eligible to apply for the Research Grants
2. Each applicant should nominate a supervisor acceptable to SLMA for the project Eg- Senior lecture and above in a university, Specialist medical officer in the relevant field of study in hospital/ institution
3. More consideration will be given for young researchers at the beginning of their carriers
4. Preference will be given for proposals on applied research that could be initiated (e.g. pilot study) or completed (e.g. audit) with the maximum amount provided by the research grant (SLR 100000)
5. All proposal should show evidence of ethics clearance / application for EC with the proposals
6. The Principal investigator (PI) should come to an agreement with the SLMA on following
  - I. The PI will complete the project and submit the final report within two year of signing the agreement. In the event of failing to do so, PI agrees to re pay the total amount of the research grant to SLMA within two months of passing the deadline.
  - II. The findings of the research should be submitted for annual SLMA sessions
  - III. The PI should submit a progress report and financial statement through the supervisor every 6 months to the SLMA
7. SLMA Committee on Research Promotion will appoint a panel to review and select suitable proposals for funding. Review Panel's decision will be final.

Application forms for Research Grants will be available in the SLMA office and also in the SLMA web site. All applications should reach the SLMA office by 30<sup>th</sup> of September 2008. Applications should be addressed to **Research Grants, Research Promotion Committee, Sri Lanka Medical Association, Wijerama House, 6, Wijerama Mawatha, Colombo 7**