

Application for a Travel Award
from the
RANDOLPH T. AND MARY K. WEDDING
Endowed Fund in Biochemistry

Background: Professor Randolph T. Wedding was one of the founding members of the Department of Biochemistry at U. C. Riverside and played a critical role in initiating and developing its graduate program (now known as the *Graduate Program in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology*). Professor Wedding's research was focused on energy metabolism in plants and particularly on understanding how respiration and photosynthetic carbon metabolism are controlled at the level of enzymes. He participated actively in graduate classroom teaching and in the mentoring of graduate students. He was a loyal and dedicated member of the U. C. Riverside academic community for over 45 years, serving as a member or chair of nearly every important faculty committee on the U. C. Riverside campus or in the statewide University of California system from 1961 until his retirement in 1993. Mary K. Wedding devoted many hours to Randy's graduate students, providing a home away from home for some, helping students and their families from overseas get settled in the USA, and frequently visiting former students as she traveled abroad with Randy. Her work with the Biochemistry graduate students is the reason that this fund is named the *Randolph T. and Mary K. Wedding Endowed Fund*, established by their son and daughter, Randolph E. Wedding and Sheila O'Brien. One of the intents of this fund is to provide travel awards for Ph.D. students in biochemistry who wish to present their research at scholarly meetings (although applications to help defray travel/sustenance costs from students needing to perform part of their dissertation research at another university will be considered). Applications for these awards can be made at any time to the Chair of the Department of Biochemistry. Recipients of this award will receive up to \$750 to defray registration, travel, and/or housing expenses, subject to availability of funds. Any Ph.D. student in the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Graduate Program is eligible to receive a Randolph T. and Mary K. Wedding Travel award.

To apply for an award: Complete this form and submit it to the Biochemistry Department Chair.

Your Name: _____

Your Email Address: _____

Your Faculty Research Advisor: _____

Name of Meeting: _____

Location of Meeting: _____

Start and end dates of Meeting: _____

Estimated total expenses (please itemize registration, travel, and housing costs): _____

Will you be making a poster presentation (yes / no); Will you be making an oral presentation (yes / no)

Abstract Title: _____

Please attach to this form:

1. A copy of your abstract.
2. A statement, of up to half a page in length, describing how the topic of this meeting relates to your thesis research and how you expect to benefit from attending the meeting.
3. A brief supporting statement from your faculty research advisor. In addition to supporting your application, this statement should describe how the balance of the costs of attending this meeting will be covered.
4. If an award is granted, the BMPN office will contact you with information concerning travel arrangements. Proof of poster/oral presentation and registration/travel/housing receipts must be provided to the BMPN office within ten days of completion of travel.