

## **Sponsorship available for application by society members:**

### ***HKSR Sponsorships for educational meetings available for application by Society members***

#### **16-19 June 2010**

#### **The Annual European Congress of Rheumatology EULAR 2010**

#### **Rome, Italy**

- Awards available to cover travel expenses (air-ticket and airport transfer), accommodation and registration expenses up to a maximum HK\$ 12,000 for TWO ordinary members, HK\$ 15,000 for TWO full members and HK\$10,000 for ONE associate member
- Deadline for application: 15 Feb 2010

#### **24 – 27 June 2010**

#### **9<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Systemic Lupus Erythematosus**

#### **Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada**

- Awards available to cover travel expenses (air-ticket and airport transfer), accommodation and registration expenses up to a maximum HK\$ 10,000 for TWO ordinary members, HK\$ 15,000 for ONE full members
- Deadline for application: 15 Feb 2010

#### **9 to 11 July 2010**

#### **Asia Pacific League of Associations for Rheumatology (APLAR) USG Course**

#### **Hong Kong, China**

- Awards available to cover registration expenses up to a maximum US\$500 for THREE ordinary members or full members
- Deadline for application: 15 Apr 2010

#### **11 to 15 July 2010**

#### **14th Asia Pacific League of Associations for Rheumatology (APLAR) Congress**

#### **Hong Kong, China**

- Awards available to cover registration expenses up to a maximum US\$350 for FOUR ordinary members or full members
- Deadline for application: 15 Apr 2010

#### **6 – 11 November 2010**

#### **ACR/ARHP Annual Scientific Meeting**

#### **Atlanta**

- Awards available to cover travel expenses (air-ticket and airport transfer), accommodation and registration expenses up to a maximum HK\$ 12,000 for TWO ordinary members, HK\$ 15,000 for TWO full members, and HK\$ 10,000 for ONE associate member.

#### **General points to note for application of the sponsorship:**

- An administration fee is required for application that would not be returned if application is unsuccessful
  - HKD300 for overseas meeting or training
  - HKD30 for local meeting

- A handling charge of 5% of the total sponsored amount (except those marked with \*) or HKD 300 (whichever the greater) would be applied for the successful applicants – this would be counted also the administration fee for the successful candidate
- Applicant would be informed of the outcome of their application within 7 working days after deadline
- In principle, approval would be according to the relevance to the training and clinical work, prior sponsorship received and active participation. The council would have the final decision.
- A written report would be required after the sponsored activity from the successful applicant
- One should be the member of the Society for at least 3 months before they are eligible for applying the sponsorship

**Priority principles for granting of Society sponsorships for educational meetings / training activities**

1. HKSR members for at least 3 months at the time of application.
2. Candidates who have received society sponsorship for EULAR or ACR meeting in the past 12 months will not be eligible.
3. Score 1 point for each of the following:
  - Not having received HKSR sponsorship for a meeting / training activity within 12 months from the application deadline
  - Having active participation (eg. poster or oral presentation / chairperson)
  - Trainee status in rheumatology or research students working in the field of rheumatology / immunology (for ordinary members only)
4. For candidates with same scores after considering the factors listed in No. 3 above, priority will be given to those who had not received HKSR sponsorships for the longest period counting from the deadline of application.
5. If scores are still identical, successful candidates will be drawn at random under the scrutiny of a witness.

Members interested for the above sponsorship, please contact Hon. Secretary of the Society, details as followed:

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