

FIDSSA-GlaxoSmithKline Research Fellowships 2015 Requests For Applications (RFA) - Antimicrobial Resistance

FIDSSA is delighted to announce a 4th year of funding from GlaxoSmithKline by way of an unconditional educational grant of R200,000 to finance the 2015 FIDSSA-GlaxoSmithKline Research Fellowships. It is envisaged that a maximum of 3-4 awards will be made.

This RFA focuses on proposals for projects in the field of antibiotic or antifungal resistance. Projects relating to tuberculosis will not be considered. Proposals within any one of the following fields are welcomed:

- Surveillance
- Stewardship
- Infection prevention
- Education and public awareness

Priority will be given to support for new research projects by junior investigators, applicants who have not already received a FIDSSA-GSK Research Fellowship, and applicants who have not previously received substantial funding (any award > R250,000). Sub-studies of projects that are part of a larger funded project must clearly define how the budget will be spent separate from the larger fund, and how the project forms a discrete component.

Budget for salary support, travel or conference fees will not be considered. However, successful applicants will be able to apply to FIDSSA for separate funding to present papers originating from the work at a national or international conference.

The following criteria apply to all applicants:

1. Must be a full, paid up 'Ordinary' member of FIDSSA* by the **closing date for applications on 30th September 2015.**
2. Must be a citizen or permanent resident of one of the countries in Southern Africa (Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia and Zimbabwe) and must be undertaking the research project in Southern Africa. **Applications to undertake periods of research outside of Southern Africa will not be considered.**
3. A fully completed application form downloadable from the FIDSSA website homepage (<http://www.fidssa.co.za>) or from Lea Lourens at info@fidssa.co.za must be returned to Lea Lourens at info@fidssa.co.za by the closing date.
4. Applications submitted after the closing date will not be accepted under any circumstances and incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant without review.
5. Each award will be made as a once-off payment in full and the recipients will be announced by 8th November 2015 at the FIDSSA conference, with an intended start date of 1st January 2016.
6. Each recipient must undertake to provide a progress report at 6 months, and a final report at 12 months, which must include proof of how the budget was spent. Any publication or conference proceeding arising from work funded by a FIDSSA-GlaxoSmithKline Fellowship, must acknowledge the funding in the manuscript.

*Members of SASTM are not eligible to apply unless they are fully paid up members of FIDSSA independent of their SASTM membership.