



Society for
Reproduction
and Fertility

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES AND BENEFITS FOR 2017



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Who are we?

The Society for Reproduction and Fertility (SRF) aims to enhance the knowledge of reproductive processes and fertility in humans and animals.

The SRF, a friendly and supportive Society, offers membership to scientists and students from around the world who work on any aspect of reproductive biology or fertility. As well as co-hosting the annual Fertility conference and organising the Sex in Three Cities public lecture series, we award generous grants and scholarships and sponsor scientific workshops. Our Journal, *Reproduction*, publishes original research articles, debates and topical reviews on reproductive and developmental biology and reproductive medicine.

Please read on to find out about the great SRF membership benefits in more detail.

BENEFITS IN MORE DETAIL

Online access to the SRF's journal *Reproduction*

The SRF is delighted to offer ALL members online access to its Journal *Reproduction* as part of their membership package. *Reproduction* is a leading journal in the field (Impact factor 3.184 as at November 2016) and offers a popular **Journal-based learning programme**. Discussions are underway to introduce a prize for the best research paper published by an SRF member in *Reproduction*.

DISCOUNTED PRINT SUBSCRIPTION FOR *REPRODUCTION*

Members who also wish to receive a printed copy of *Reproduction* qualify for a substantially discounted subscription.

REDUCED SUBSCRIPTIONS ●●●●

SRF Members are entitled to a **discounted subscription** for the following journals; *Andrology*; *Human Reproduction*, *Molecular Human Reproduction* and *Human Reproduction Update*. SRF Members are also entitled to a 50% discount for their first two years of individual Royal Society of Biology membership.

**SRF Travel Grants
up to the value of**

£800

Travel Grants are available to support the attendance of SRF members at non-SRF

conferences and courses relevant to reproductive biology. Reflecting the rising cost of attending such meetings, the Society recently increased the maximum award available to £800 (amounts awarded are dependent on overall cost of meeting and distance travelled). SRF Travel Grants are available to those who have been an SRF member for a minimum of one year. Exception is given to members who have been a member for less than one year but are in the first year of their PhD.



DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION FEES AND BURSARIES TO ATTEND *FERTILITY*

SRF members qualify for **highly discounted rates and bursaries** to attend *Fertility*. *Fertility* is held jointly with the British Fertility Society and the Association of Clinical Embryologists. Following a consultation with SRF members, from 2017, *Fertility* replaces the SRF Annual Conference as the main scientific meeting on the SRF calendar.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP VALUE INCREASED!

The value of SRF Academic Scholarships was recently increased to £12,500. This fund supports active, long-standing (five year's minimum continuous membership) SRF members in established academic posts to develop and maintain their research programmes. Scholarships can be used to support activities including small pump-priming grants to generate

preliminary data for a full grant proposal; travel and subsistence for a period of sabbatical leave or for bridging funds to help retain staff during gaps in grant funding. *Members can only receive one award in every five years of continuous membership. Having received an award, members must maintain their membership for a further five years to be eligible to apply again.*

NEW! BID TO HOST AN SRF WORKSHOP

SRF members can bid for support to facilitate workshops which cover focussed areas of reproductive biology. Both financial and logistical support from the Society is available.

SRF VACATION SCHOLARSHIPS

SRF members are eligible to act as project supervisors for SRF Vacation Scholarships. The scholarships enable particularly promising students to work during their summer vacation in university departments or research institutes on projects related to reproduction and fertility in humans and other animals. Projects can be a maximum of eight weeks long, and include a stipend funded at £250 per week, plus an award of

£750 to be paid to the host laboratory to cover the cost of consumables for the project.

NETWORKING AND MENTORING OPPORTUNITIES



The SRF prides itself on being a friendly, supportive community, particularly for young researchers. Our network of members, the 'Members Area' of our SRF website, and annual activities provide invaluable opportunities for young and senior researchers alike to engage and unquestionably helps to promote career development.

PLUS TO BE ANNOUNCED IN 2017...



Retaining quality scientists within the field is of great importance to the SRF and we are therefore busy developing two new grant schemes to promote this. The 'Career Development Grant' is intended to support members in the early stages of their independent research. Our second grant is aimed at assisting scientists to return to work in the field after a career break. Please refer to our website www.srf-reproduction.org for more details as they become available.



SRF PRIZES AND AWARDS

SRF MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO QUALIFY FOR THE FOLLOWING PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS:

SRF POSTDOCTORAL PRIZE

Upon submission of an abstract to the *Fertility* meeting **Postdocs, who are within 5 years of receiving their PhD**, can opt to be considered for this prize. Top scoring submissions are selected to give an oral presentation at the meeting and the winner is invited to present their paper at the Society for Reproductive Biology (SRB) Annual Scientific Conference in Australia.

SRF STUDENT PRIZE

Another of our conference awards, the Student Prize is awarded to a postgraduate student who delivers the best oral presentation in the 'Student Prize Session' at *Fertility*.

SRF NEW INVESTIGATOR AWARD

Members who are within ten years of being awarded their PhD (or equivalent qualification) can be nominated for this prestigious award. The selected individual will be invited to present a paper at *Fertility* and also at the Society for the Study of Reproduction (SSR) Annual Meeting.

Membership Categories

Early Career Member - This rate applies to students at all stages, and Postdocs up to five years from the date of the award of their PhD.

Full Member - Members who are over 5 years from achieving their PhD. Early Career Members automatically switch to Full membership once they have moved beyond 5 years of receiving their PhD.

Retired Member - Members who are no longer salaried by a university or institution.

	Early Career Member	Full Member	Retired Member
Who?	Students at all stages, and Postdocs up to five years from the date of achieving their PhD	Anyone over 5 years from achieving PhD	No longer salaried by a university or institution
Cost for 2017	£35	£55	£35
Benefits			
Online subscription to <i>Reproduction</i>	✓	✓	✓
Discounted print subscription for <i>Reproduction</i>	✓	✓	✓
Reduced subscription to additional reproduction and fertility journals and societies	✓	✓	✓
Travel Grant up to the value of £800	✓	✓	✓
Discounted registration fees and bursaries to attend <i>Fertility</i>	✓	✓	✓
Academic Scholarship up to £12,500	✓ *	✓ *	✗
Vacation Scholarship availability for your lab	✓ *	✓ *	✗
Networking opportunities with peers	✓	✓	✓
Eligible for prestigious SRF prizes and awards	✓	✓	✗
Opportunity to host SRF workshops	✓	✓	✓
PLUS - COMING SOON Two new grants aimed at retaining scientists in the field	✓	✓	✗

* subject to meeting additional eligibility requirements

If you like what you have read and are interested in membership, simply **complete the online form** at **www.srf-reproduction.org** to get your membership application underway!