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Aim: SRF wishes to encourage and support SRF Members to attend and participate in the 4th World Congress of Reproductive Biology (WCRB 2017) being held at the Okinawa Convention Center, Okinawa, Japan from 27 -29 September 2017. We are pleased to announce **SRF Bursaries** which will support (i) **Registration**, (ii) **Accommodation** and (iii) **Travel** for SRF delegates.

This is a stand-alone bursary and so the eligibility criteria which relates to SRF travel grants only being awarded once in any 2 year period does not apply. Members who have received a travel grant within the past 2 years and received a bursary to attend the recent Fertility 2017 meeting may apply for a bursary to attend WCRB 2017.

SRF WCRB 2017 BURSARY PLAN

Eligibility:

The bursary scheme is available to Full, Early Career and Retired members who have held SRF membership for a minimum of the last 2 consecutive years (must have paid for 2016 and 2017).

SRF Honorary members may also apply.

Full and Early Career member bursary applicants must be listed as an author on an abstract submitted to WCRB 2017. We expect Early Career Members to be listed as the presenting author.

Retired and Honorary members should also please indicate on the application form whether they are listed as an author on a submitted abstract.

The bursary comprises of all three parts listed below:

- (i) **Registration:** Full, Retired and Honorary Members will be eligible for JPY 50,000 to cover the **'Regular A' Early Pre-Registration Category**. The Registration part of the bursary will not be increased after the Early Pre-Registration expires on 4th August. If registering after 4th August, bursary recipients will need to pay JPY 10,000 (approximately £70) to cover the difference in the Early Pre and Late Pre-Registration fees.

Early Career Members will be eligible for JPY 30,000 to cover the **'Student B' Early Pre-Registration Category**. The Registration part of the bursary will not be increased after the Early Pre-Registration expires on 4th August. If registering after 4th August bursary recipients will need to pay JPY 10,000 to cover the difference in the Early Pre and Late Pre-Registration fees.

The SRF will cover the cost of 1 banquet dinner ticket per member. The cost of any additional items (e.g. additional social event tickets or accompanying persons) will be covered by the individual.

- (ii) **Accommodation:** A fixed sum of £100/night for 4 nights (up to £400 for the entire meeting) will be available for all SRF Members.
- (iii) **Travel:** Support will be offered to all Bursary applicants based upon a fixed band system on distance travelled from your **place of work** and will be calculated as follows:

<10km	£0	750 - 1000km	£300
10 - 100km	£30	1000 - 3000km	£400
100 - 300km	£75	3000 - 6,000km	£600
300 - 500km	£150	6000 - 9,000km	£800
500 - 750km	£200	>9,000 km	£1,000

Note: A MAXIMUM OF £1,500 WILL BE AWARDED TO ANY ONE INDIVIDUAL (TO COVER ALL THREE PARTS OF THE BURSARY).

The REGISTRATION value of this limit is calculated as:

REGULAR 'A' JPY 50,000 = £346.00 (conversion rate at 29.01.17)

STUDENT B JPY 30,000 = £208.00 (conversion rate at 29.01.17)

APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1) Submit your Bursary application by completing the online application form on the [SRF website](#).
- 2) Your application will be checked by the SRF Secretariat. If successful, you will receive an email notifying you of the funds that the SRF will offer to cover your attendance at WCRB 2017. You will also receive a claim form to complete with your bank details. This claim form will be used to facilitate reimbursement of the ACCOMMODATION and TRAVEL elements of the bursary.

Your REGISTRATION will be handled directly by the WCRB Organisers. Once your application has been approved and you have been notified, the SRF Secretariat will pass your details to the WCRB 2017 registrations team. **They will contact you directly to arrange your REGISTRATION.**

- 3) Once you have received confirmation of your registration, you will be required to complete your claim form for travel and accommodation and return it, with a copy of your registration confirmation, and proof of your abstract submission, to the SRF Secretariat so that reimbursement for your accommodation and travel can be processed. Where possible this reimbursement will be before the conference takes place. Please note that up to £400 for accommodation will be paid upfront in good faith but a copy of receipts will be required after the conference.

NOTE: ACCOMMODATION FOR WCRB

WCRB 2017 has reserved rooms at several hotels close to the Convention Center (please refer to download list of hotels and prices on WCRB bursary page of website). Once your registration has been arranged, the organisers will then provide you with details of how you can book your accommodation directly through them.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The SRF will have a limited budget available to support the attendance of its members at WCRB 2017. Once this limit has been reached, no further funds will be available.

The deadline for the SRF to receive bursary applications is Thursday 31st August ***subject to funds still being available.***

Applications will be reviewed and bursaries awarded on a regular basis.

Any questions regarding the **SRF Bursary** should be directed to the **SRF Secretariat:**

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Questions directly relating to the **WCRB** meeting (e.g. abstract submission or registration) should be directed to the WCRB 2017 Conference Office.

Email: wcrb2017@reproduction.jp