

## The 'Vasant and Nirmal Oswal' Trainee Scholarship

### Scholarships available for the trainees to attend the Annual BMLA Conference

The BMLA is pleased to announce a maximum number of five scholarships to the UK and Overseas laser trainees as per the following terms:

- The Scholarships are available for the attendance of the UK-based Annual Conference. They are not valid if the conference is held jointly outside the UK with any host sister organisation in any particular year.
- The title of the scholarship is the '*Vasant and Nirmal Oswal Trainee Scholarship*'. The successful trainee/s will receive a certificate of the award.

### 1. Eligibility

#### To be considered for this scholarship, applicants are required to:

- 1.1 Be in training at the time of application
- 1.2 Submit an abstract to this meeting (by the official deadline as listed on the conference website)
- 1.3 Provide a letter of support from a supervisor confirming training status (PDF on letterheaded paper, no more than A4).
- 1.4 Provide a statement of why they wish to attend the conference/why is it valuable for their training.

### 2. The participation at the conference will cover the following:

- 2.1 Free admission to all courses and educational conference events
- 2.2 Free admission to the trade and poster exhibitions
- 2.3 Complimentary tea, coffee, refreshments and lunches served during the conference hours
- 2.4 Certification of the participation
- 2.5 The CPD as per the criteria announced by the organising committee

### 3. The BMLA membership

- 3.1. The successful attendee/s will be entitled to a Free BMLA Standard Membership for the membership year
- 3.2. The membership, so awarded, will be governed by the same terms and conditions as the paid memberships



3.3. However, the BMLA Standard membership so awarded will not entitle the awardee to admission to any business meetings restricted to 'members only'

**4. The scholarship will not cover the following:**

- 4.1. Travelling expenses
- 4.2. Overnight accommodation
- 4.3. Conference dinner – the participation is available on the payment of the cost as announced by the event organisers
- 4.4. Reduced fee structure for the Laser in Medical Science journal issues

**5. Free paper submission**

The scholars are encouraged to submit original research / clinical papers to the scientific committee for presentations during the conference. The scientific committee's decision will be final.

**6. Deadline**

The deadline for submission must be strictly adhered to. Late submission will not be considered for the award. However, the late submission will not invalidate the applicant's attendance as a fee-paying delegate.

**7. Review**

Your application will be reviewed by the Conference Committee and you will be notified of the outcome via email. If approved, you will be required to complete a complimentary registration for the conference to ensure the organiser have collected all the necessary information to facilitate your participation.

**8. Submission**

Please submit your abstract via the official channels as instructed on the conference website.

Please send your supporting documents and any queries to the BMLA office on [accounts@bmla.co.uk](mailto:accounts@bmla.co.uk) by 27 March 2023.

