



## 2012 CALL FOR PROPOSALS:

### GENETICS SECTION GRADUATE & MASTERS STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDS

#### PURPOSE AND ELIGIBILITY

The Genetics Section of the Botanical Society of America (BSA) is pleased to announce an award to promote graduate student interest and research in plant genetics.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a member of the BSA and affiliated with the Genetics Section, be a full-time graduate student in good standing, and have a faculty advisor who is also a member of the BSA. It is the intention of the Genetics Section that one award will be made to a Ph.D. candidate and one award will be made to an M.S. student.

#### PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

The proposal may be on any area of plant genetics (e.g., evolutionary, population, breeding, molecular, developmental, etc.) and must contain a:

- 1) Title page (title of proposal, name of student, student's institutional and departmental affiliation, and year of student's study);
- 2) Abstract (300 word maximum);
- 3) Narrative (description of the research, including conceptual background, purpose or objective, outline of methodology, and potential significance within plant genetics);
- 4) Budget explaining how the funds are to be used;
- 5) Literature Cited; and
- 6) Biographical Sketch (CV).

The Abstract, Narrative, Budget and associated tables and figures should not exceed five single-spaced pages, and the Literature Cited and Biographical Sketch are limited to two pages each. Proposals should include one-inch margins all around and use a font size of not smaller than 12 point. In addition, a letter of support from the student's advisor must accompany the proposal.

#### AWARD LEVEL AND ANNOUNCEMENT

The award is for \$500 with an additional \$500 to support travel to present the results of the work at an annual BSA, Genetics Section meeting upon completion of the project. Award winners for this round of competition will be notified by May 15, 2012 and their accomplishment announced at the BSA Banquet in Columbus, Ohio, July 11, 2012.

#### SUBMISSION

Students must submit proposals and letters of support as .pdf e-mail attachments. The proposal and letter of support must be received no later than **March 15, 2012**. Address the proposal and letter to: Chair of the Genetics Graduate Student Research Award Committee.

The Email subject line must read: **2012 Genetics GSRA**.

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