

SCNAT/SCS Chemistry Travel Award

Frequently Asked Questions

What is meant by «active participation at an international conference»?

A poster presentation and / or an oral talk have to be given at a conference outside of Switzerland.

I am doing my PhD at a research institution such as Empa, Eawag or the Paul Scherrer Institute. May I also apply for the «SCNAT/SCS Chemistry Travel Award»?

Yes, also PhD students working at such research institutes in Switzerland are welcome to apply.

I am doing my PhD in collaboration with a foreign university (e.g. in Germany or France). May I also apply for the «SCNAT/SCS Chemistry Travel Award»?

Yes, as long as you are employed and mainly funded by a Swiss institution, you may apply.

I recently finished my PhD and I have a Post Doc position now. I soon will present my PhD thesis at a conference. May I also apply for the «SCNAT/SCS Chemistry Travel Award»?

No. As stated in the announcement, only PhD students can apply. They must attend the conference before finishing their PhD thesis. Also when having finished your PhD thesis and still being registered as a PhD student at the same university, you cannot apply any more.

May I also apply for a summer school I am going to attend?

As long as you participate in this summer school by presenting a poster and/or giving an oral talk, your application is welcome.

Do I have to be a SCS member to apply for the «SCNAT/SCS Chemistry Travel Award»?

No, you do not have to be a member of the Swiss Chemical Society (SCS).

Do I have to submit the same abstract I also submit to conference registration?

Yes, an abstract of the work you present (poster or oral talk) at the conference is required.

I am working in the field of biochemistry, may I also apply for the «SCNAT/SCS Chemistry Travel Award»?

Yes, doctoral students working in all fields of chemistry may apply.

Is the conference announcement same as the confirmation of the registration? Do I have to be registered already before applying for the «SCNAT/SCS Chemistry Travel Award»?

No, the conference announcement simply means the advertisement of the conference, e.g. a flyer, poster or homepage of the conference you would like to attend.

There is no conference announcement existing that I could submit. May I instead submit a screenshot of the conference homepage?

Yes.

When will the applicants be informed?

They will be informed of the decision of the selection committee by end of May at latest.

May I also submit two applications for two different conferences?

Only one application may be submitted.

Do I have to send a proof of payment after having attended the conference?

No, we do not demand any receipts of expenses.

I have missed the deadline for application, is it still possible to apply after March 31?

A deadline is a deadline. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.