Annual Report of the International Physiology Committee

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The role of the International Physiology Committee (IPC) is to assist APS by identifying and implementing ways in which APS can best serve its international members, achieve globally its goals of fostering education, scientific research and dissemination of information in the physiological sciences, and raise its global stature.

The IPC assists APS in the review of international awards programs. The International Early—Career Physiologist (IECP) travel awards program provides support for students, trainees and junior faculty working outside the USA to attend Experimental Biology (EB). The IPC reviewed 45 applications and recommended support of $1,000 be given to the top 12 ranking applications.

The IPC also reviewed applications for APS travel awards to attend the International Union of Physiological Sciences – Rio de Janeiro. The IPC reviewed 78 applications for the 2017 IUPS Congress Travel Award and recommended support of the top 53 ranking applications, of which, 12 were from the USA.

The International Opportunity Program aims to strengthen ties between APS and international societies on a global level with a particular emphasis on underrepresented regions. The committee recommended five applications from the following individuals, each receiving $7,500:

- **Alberto Dorta-Contreras**, Ph.D., Havana Medical Sciences University, Havana, Cuba.
- **Mangala Gunatilake**, PhD, University of Colombo, Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- **Celia Sladek**, PhD, University of Colorado, Aurora, CO.
- **Fernanda Marcondes**, PhD, Piracicaba Dental School, University of Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
- **Gabor Tigyi**, Ph.D., University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Memphis, TN

The deadline for IOP support applications for 2018 was extended to September 8th 2017.