The International Program and the Prevention Research Branch of the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) will host the 2nd Annual NIDA International SPR Poster Session at the SPR 17th Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, in May 2009. This event will take place in conjunction with the SPR opening reception following the SPR preconference workshops. Posters will highlight prevention and prevention-related research completed in international settings by international researchers, domestic researchers, or binational teams. Submissions for this NIDA-supported international poster session will undergo the same peer review process as other posters submissions for SPR. A limited number of travel awards will be available to international researchers whose abstracts (1) are accepted through the peer review process and (2) focus on a topic related to drug abuse research. The travel award will provide partial support to cover costs associated with attendance at the 2009 SPR meeting. If you have questions regarding this session, please contact Eve Reider, Ph.D., Prevention Research Branch, NIDA, at ereider@mail.nih.gov or Dale Weiss, NIDA International Program, at dweiss@nida.nih.gov.

NIDA International SPR Poster Session Travel Awards

A limited number of travel awards are available to participants whose abstracts have been accepted for presentation at the 2009 NIDA International SPR Poster Session. This award provides partial support to cover costs associated with the 2009 NIDA International SPR Poster Session and the SPR meeting.

- Eligibility

To qualify, applicants must:

- Submit an abstract and be accepted for a poster presentation at the NIDA International SPR Poster Session using the SPR online registration process.
- Participate in the NIDA International SPR Poster Session and attend the SPR meeting. (Registration for SPR and abstract submission for the NIDA International SPR Poster Session are required).
- Be the primary author of the submitted abstract and a citizen or permanent resident of a country other than the United States.
- **Binational Teams:** If you are a primary author who is ineligible for a travel award because you are a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident, and you intend to participate fully in the NIDA International SPR Poster
Session, you can nominate a co-author for a travel award. Your nominee must be the principal foreign investigator on the project and a citizen or permanent resident of a country other than the United States.

- **Selection Criteria**
  - Priority will be given to individuals who have not received travel support from the NIDA International Program between July 1, 2008, and July 1, 2009.
  - Priority will be given to:
    - Applicants whose research has been supported by NIDA and/or focused on drug use/abuse or drug-related problems.
    - Applicants who have participated in a NIDA-supported research training or exchange program.
    - Residents of low- and middle-income countries as identified by the World Bank.
  - To accommodate the varying costs of attending the NIDA International Poster Session, travel awards will be made in the following amounts according to an applicant’s residency:
    - East Asia and Pacific: $1,500 USD
    - Europe and Central Asia: $1,000 USD
    - Latin America and the Caribbean: $1,000 USD
    - Middle East and Africa: $1,250 USD
    - North America (non-U.S. citizen): $500 USD
    - South Asia: $1,250 USD
  - Individuals who accept a travel award to participate in the 2009 NIDA International SPR Poster Session will not be eligible to receive a travel award for the 2009 NIDA International Forum. Applicants are encouraged to participate in both meetings.