

NEW GRANT AVAILABLE

New funding means more support for small projects

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he College's Research and Scholarships Department is pleased to advise that applications for scholarships in 2016 open March of this year.

I am delighted to announce that last October Council approved the establishment of a newly crafted versatile grant that will be offered this year for the first time in the scholarship program to assist with the funding of equipment purchases or small research costs.

The Foundation for Surgery Small Project Grant is intended to support Trainees and Fellows who are undertaking or wish to undertake a small clinical research project or who require limited funding to purchase equipment to carry out a research endeavour. The funds might also be used to top up or to complete an existing project. Up to six grants will be made available each year. Each grant will be up to the value of \$10,000.

The grant will be paid directly to the recipient (with institutional supervisor approval) and scholars may hold this grant in conjunction with another scholarship.

Details of all 2016 scholarships including application and eligibility requirements will be included in the March edition of Surgical News and on the College website www.surgeons.org

I look forward to the interest that the Foundation for Surgery Small Project Grant will undoubtedly generate.