

Dear Academic Surgical Congress International Research Travel Award Committee,

I am Jessica Luc and I am a first year cardiovascular surgery resident at the University of British Columbia with an accepted oral presentation at the upcoming Academic Surgical Congress for the project entitled “Effect of Operating Room Personnel Generation On Perceptions and Responses to Surgeon Behavior”. Our research is important because as surgeons, we rely on operating room personnel in our day-to-day work in the operating room and care of patients. As such, it is imperative for us to learn about and embrace generational differences in their perceptions and responses to our behavior.

Our research team involves myself from the University of British Columbia in Canada and collaborators at MD Anderson Cancer Center in the United States and was completely unfunded. We have no disclosures or conflicts of interest.

Given the financial burden of international travel I would greatly appreciate a need-based award to allow me the opportunity to attend the Academic Surgical Congress. The meeting’s unparalleled exposure to world-renowned faculty and state-of-the-art courses in career development will help me launch my journey to become a surgeon-clinician-scientist to the next stage. I stand on the shoulders of giants with a dream that I can make this mountain higher so that others after me can see farther.

Thank you very much for your consideration of me for this award.

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