

September 10, 2019

Dear Dean and Program Director:

I am delighted to inform you that applications for the **2020 Boehringer Ingelheim Veterinary Scholars Program (BIVSP)** are being requested. Guidelines for the 2020 grant program are enclosed. As applications are very competitive, please review the guidelines carefully before submitting a proposal. Questions regarding the grants program can be directed to Roberto.alva-valdes@boehringer-ingelheim.com

The application process remains the same as it was for 2019. Please make special note of the following requirements:

- Individual school websites describing the program should be updated with the Boehringer Ingelheim name and should link to the Boehringer Ingelheim Veterinary Scholar Program website.
- Alumni tracking continues to be an important component of the program.
- The European component of the program will continue for 2020; if you are willing to consider students from our participating schools, please clearly indicate this in your proposal.

To be considered for 2020 funding, the proposal(s) must be complete and must be received by email no later than **October 31, 2019**. All schools will be informed as to their funding status by January 15, 2020.

The 2020 Veterinary Scholar Symposium will be jointly hosted by The University of California – San Diego, Western University College of Veterinary Medicine, and the AVMA and will take place at the UCSD campus and in downtown San Diego at the Convention Center.

I also ask that you share within your College of Veterinary Medicine information regarding the Boehringer Ingelheim Veterinary Research Award Program for Graduate Veterinarians and the Veterinary Research Scholar Award. For additional details on both awards please see the enclosed PDFs.

I thank you for your continuing efforts in support of this program that has provided research opportunities to veterinary students for 31 years, and I look forward to receiving and reviewing your 2020 application.

Best regards,



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