

## ASHI Travel Award Testimonials

I would like to express my sincerest appreciation for being given the opportunity to attend the 41st ASHI meeting in Savannah, Georgia. I walk away from this year's event knowing that it is in these meetings the most brilliant minds of the transplantation and immunogenetics world converge to exchange warm hellos, share profound discoveries/experiences, render experimental data with only one passionate goal in mind; to save lives, if not, prolong it. Inspired, motivated, and educated through the various sessions I attended, I align my goals with that same thought; I want to do the best that I can to serve the patient population in my capacity as a Clinical Histocompatibility Technologist. Bottom line, the travel grant is an awesome initiative. Thank you again for choosing me as a recipient, I am truly grateful.

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Attending the ASHI regional workshop was an exciting experience with great information and opportunities to network within the histocompatibility community. I was able to meet with professionals from all across the nation and from various lab backgrounds. It was incredibly interesting to hear their stories, and to be able to compare different lab techniques, and how they function as a whole. It also served as a great resource for any future contact I might need as a tech within this community. The speakers were knowledgeable and eager to answer questions. The presentations were full of useful information relevant to a tech in the lab, and broad enough to encompass all labs and lab staff. I highly recommend an ASHI regional workshop as a resource for information, and believe it is a crucial learning tool for any new technologist joining the field. I am incredibly thankful for the ASHI travel award which made this experience possible.

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