**2011 Lilly Outstanding Thesis Awards**

National Organic Symposium Trust (NOST) invites nominations for '2011 Eli Lilly and Company Asia Outstanding Thesis Awards' from Ph.D. scientists who have submitted their thesis and made significant contributions in the field of medicinal chemistry, organic synthesis, computational chemistry, structural biology or analytical chemistry.

**Eligibility:** The candidate must be a full-time Ph.D. student who has submitted his/her Ph.D. thesis in the area of medicinal chemistry, organic synthesis, computational chemistry, structural biology or analytical chemistry from premier research institutions in India between 1 June 2010 and 31 May 2011.

**Required documents**
- Resume of the nominee.
- An abstract (up to 5 pages) prepared by the nominee describing his/her research. The abstract may include figures and references to provide enough information for the evaluation committee to judge the quality and impact of the thesis work without the original document.
- List of publications.
- Academic track record.
- Three letters of recommendation, one of which must be from his/her thesis advisor.

**Nomination:** By a Three-Member Committee of the corresponding Institute appointed by the Director/Head of the Institute. Two nominations to be recommended by the Director/Head of the institute to **Professor Vinod Singh**, Director, IISER Bhopal, ITI Gas Rahat Building, Govindpura, Bhopal 462 023, by 31 August 2011.

**Final selection:** By a Five-Member Committee selected by the Chairman, NOST Trustee. Final selection of the 10 First Prize winners and 10 Second Prize winners from a pool of nominees from the research institutions in India will be made by the NOST Selection Committee.

**Awards**
- First Prize winner US$ 1500 with Lilly Plaque.
- Second Prize winner US$ 1000 with Lilly Plaque.

**Awards Venue:** J-NOST Conference to be held at Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Mohali during 15–18 December 2011.

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**Sardar Patel Renewable Energy Research Institute**

**Post:** JRF

**Duration of the project:** 3 years

**Qualifications:** M.Sc. (Microbiology/Biochemistry/Biotechnology) NET/JRF qualified candidates or M.Tech. (Biotechnology) GATE qualified candidates for a DST sponsored project.

**Scope of work:** The project is related to de-toxification of Jatropha de-oiled cake and characterization of the extent of de-toxification using human/animal cell lines. The studies will involve plant pot culture experiments, running of a biogas plant and cell culture experiments.

**Requirements:** The interested candidate should have an excellent understanding of aseptic techniques with clean handling of bench scale work. Experience in human/animal cell culture would be a plus. The candidate should have experience in Western blots and general protein related work and must be willing to work with protein toxins. Good command on written English will be a plus. Microsoft office knowledge is desirable.

**Salary:** Salary will be based on DST norms, i.e. 16,000 + HRA for JRF/M.Tech., GATE qualified and Rs 12,000 + HRA for NET qualified (for lectureship) candidates.

There is a scope for the qualified candidate to register for Ph.D. through Sardar Patel University while working on the project. Accreditation for the above is awaited and may be obtained by January 2012.

The last date to submit the CV is **20 June 2011**.

Inquires: For further questions/clarifications interested individuals may call at 02692-231 332 or e-mail at bio@spreri.org.

CV’s may be mailed at bio@spreri.org or sent at the below address:

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