
LIFE LINES

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Katie H. Sizeland, see *JALCA 110*(3), 94 2015.

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Richard L. Edmonds, see *JALCA 110*(3), 94 2015.

Nigel Kirby, see *JALCA 110*(3), 94 2015.

Adrian Hawley, see *JALCA 110*(3), 94 2015.

Stephen Mudie, see *JALCA 110*(3), 94 2015.

Richard G. Haverkamp, see *JALCA 110*(3), 94 2015.

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Ya-nan Wang, see *JALCA 109*, 170, 2014

Bi Shi, see *JALCA 99*, 220, 2004

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N. Nishad Fathima, see *JALCA 98*, 263, 2003

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LEATHER RESEARCH AWARD FOR 2016

Following significant interest in the 2015 grant for research, the IULTCS Executive Committee is pleased to announce it is now accepting proposals for the 2016 Young Leather Research Grant (YLSG).

The first grant totaling €1,000 was awarded in January 2015 to Dr. Yunhang Zeng from Sichuan University with her research proposal to study the mechanism of enzyme action in beamhouse processing. Enzyme assisted processing is an area of much interest around the world and supports the IULTCS goal of a more sustainable leather process. This work is now underway, thanks in part to assistance from the IULTCS. The IUR wants to build on this success and the interest shown in the first grant.

The YLSG specifically seeks to encourage young scientists – under the age of 30 - and research topics that will advance our scientific understanding of leather manufacturing. The award is administered by the International Union Research Commission (IUR) and is for a research project to be conducted at a recognized institution. Dr. Zugno, chair of the IUR, expressed satisfaction with the submissions for the 2015 grant, both in the number and quality of proposals. *“As the YLSG becomes better known we look forward to even greater*

interest from students and researchers around the world. To have one’s research recognized as worthy of support by an international body such as the IULTCS should provide incentive beyond the monetary value of the grant”, he stated.

Details of eligibility requirements, application procedure, and necessary documentation are available on the IULTCS website (www.iultcs.org) under the Research-IUR link and on the new IULTCS Facebook page. Potential applicants need to pay special attention to the submission deadline of 27 November, 2015.

The IULTCS encourages leaders in the industry to bring notice of the award to any institutions and individuals who are committed to research and the advancement of understanding of leather.

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