Call for Proposals
AASLD Foundation Awards Request for Applications
Autoimmune Liver Diseases Pilot Research Award and Gupta Family Research Award for PSC

About Autoimmune Liver Disease
Autoimmune Hepatitis (AIH) is a rare chronic autoimmune disease that causes progressive inflammation of the liver, and can ultimately lead to fibrosis and liver failure. AIH is a globally occurring disease that affects children and adults of all races and ethnicities. Its exact causes are currently unknown.

Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis (PSC) and Primary Biliary Cholangitis (PBC) are autoimmune liver diseases that damage the bile ducts that deliver bile from the liver to the small intestine. Over time, the destruction of these bile ducts lead to a buildup of bile in the liver leading to inflammation and fibrosis. PBC primarily affects middle-aged women, and attacks the small bile ducts inside the liver (intrahepatic bile ducts). PSC effects men and women of all ages, and leads to scarring of both the medium and large external and internal bile ducts (extrahepatic and intrahepatic).

Autoimmune Liver Diseases Pilot Research Award
The Autoimmune Liver Diseases Pilot Research Award was established to support the next breakthrough in Autoimmune Liver Diseases by supporting highly innovative projects in their earliest stages. This award provides supplementary funding during the pilot phase of basic, translational, or clinical research projects in autoimmune liver disease. Learn more about the Autoimmune Liver Diseases Pilot Research Award ($20,000/1 Year).

Gupta Family Research Award for PSC Description
The Gupta Family Research Award for PSC will support one highly meritorious application in PSC submitted to the Pilot Research Award ($50,000/1 Year). The purpose of this award is to support new, highly innovative PSC research ideas that focus on questions pertaining to the pathogenesis, diagnosis, and/or management of PSC in children and/or adults.

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Key Dates

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