

# **European Crystallographic Association**

## **ECA**

# Report for school financial support

#### 1. Date, location and title of meeting:

Title meeting	The 3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting of HeCrA's Young Researchers
Location	Patras, Greece
Date	13 July2019
Website address	https://sites.google.com/view/hecra/hecra-young-researchers

#### 2. Please describe how the bursary was used.

The bursary was used to cover travel expenses of students traveling from other cities to the venue of the meeting. Specifically, for air tickets, bus tickets, train tickets and reimbursement for gasoline/tolls to students that drove to the venue.

#### 3. Report (min. 250 words, max. 500 words, will be published on the ECA web site)

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of HeCrA's Young Researchers was held on July 13<sup>th</sup> in Patras, Greece, and it was dedicated to European scientific collaboration. HeCrA's Young Researchers are a group of scientists at undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate level with interest in the field of structural biology. Aim of the group is

- to create an extended network of young researchers working on structural biology
- to promote activities at scientific and social level.
- to exchange ideas, related to the special interests of young crystallographers, structural biologists and researchers in relevant scientific fields in general.
- develop collaborations and facilitate the first steps of young researchers in their research career.
- and organize an annual meeting entitled "Meeting of HeCrA's Young Researchers", under the supervision of HeCrA.

HeCrA encourages the young scientists' initiative and the first Meeting of HeCrA's Young Researchers was organized in 2017 in Athens and in Larisa in 2018 with more than 50 young scientists participating.

This year's meeting in Patras attracted more than 20 participants from Greece and abroad (the Netherlands, Lithuania, UK and USA), and it was financially supported with bursaries for young participants, by ECA.

The scientific program comprised of ten (10) oral presentations covering many modern aspects of structural biology from X ray protein crystallography, to macromolecular NMR, *in silico* docking and drug design, followed by open discussions among participants and speakers on methodologies, difficulties or troubleshooting steps. Moreover, a round table entitled "HeCrA's young researchers actions in Greece and Europe" was took place during the meeting.

The assembly of HeCrA's Young Researchers decided the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting to be held in October 2020 in Athens as a satellite event of the 10<sup>th</sup> Conference of Hellenic Crystallographic Association.

The meeting was closed with a relaxed walk around the historic and the modern city center of Patras.



## Attached files:

- 1. Poster
- 2. Final Program
- 3. Group Photo