In the 5th year of the MSD Animal Health/WVA Veterinary Student Scholarship Program, more scholarships than ever were made available to aid veterinary students around the world due to the rising number of excellent applications. After careful evaluation of more than 500 applications received, 80 veterinary students were selected from 47 different countries to receive a scholarship of 2,500 USD in recognition of their academic achievements and to aid in the development of their academic and future veterinary careers. MSD Animal Health and the WVA are delighted to contribute to the advancement of the global veterinary community through the empowerment of veterinary students.

October 5th 2021. WVA and MSD Animal Health are pleased to announce the results of the 5th annual MSD Animal Health/WVA Veterinary Student Scholarship Program and the names of the 80 veterinary students selected from the regions of Asia and Oceania, Africa, the Middle East, and Latin America.

The MSD Animal Health/WVA Veterinary Student Scholarship Program is designed to aid students in their scholastic development and enable them to continue their education by offering direct financial support. Applications were assessed based on academic achievement, engagement of students with their desired career path, leadership potential, and letters of support from their universities.

"The WVA is really pleased to see the success of the MSD Animal Health / WVA Veterinary Student Scholarship Program over the years and the growing number of applications received from veterinary students from these world regions," said WVA President, Dr Patricia Turner. "Together with MSD Animal Health, we agreed to double the number of scholarships to recognize more students for their efforts, especially during the global covid-19 pandemic, to help them to succeed in their studies and their future veterinary career."

“In the fifth year of this impactful partnership with the World Veterinary Association, we are proud to do our part to ensure that the future of veterinary medicine is bright,” said Edival Santos, DVM, Latin America Regional Manager, MSD Animal Health. “At MSD Animal Health, we recognize the criticality of veterinarians to our society, both in terms of helping to manage the health and well-being of our companion animals, and also in ensuring a healthy, sustainable food supply. We are confident that these 80 student recipients will play an important role in the future of veterinary medicine.”

MSD Animal Health and the World Veterinary Association would like to thank all of the veterinary students who submitted an application to the 2021 MSD Animal Health / WVA Veterinary Student Scholarship Program, and who ensure a bright future for the veterinary profession.
AFRICA

Comforth Joseph Paul
Malawi

Sarah Beki Paul
Nigeria

Aliyu Rabiuumar
Nigeria

Louis Annas Nukunu
Ghana

Prince Takpa
Ghana

Olivia Jesaya
Namibia

Christian Raffray
Mauritius

Nicole Boukari
Benin

Helen Abebe Alamirew
Ethiopia

Mukelabai Namatama
Zambia

Joseph Kimatu
Kenya

Cecilia Mabesa
Lesotho

Jean Willy Kamunga Cibangu
Congo

Mouhamadou Lamine Cissé
Senegal

Raymond Désiré Soumah
Guinea

Daouda Ouedrago
Burkina Faso

Emmy Daniel Onweng
Uganda

Noeline Nalwera
Uganda

Geofrey John
Tanzania

Zilipa Madata
Tanzania
About the World Veterinary Association (WVA):
The WVA represents around 600,000 veterinarians around the world through its 90-member associations and is a broad global veterinary community that offers advocacy, support, and education with a variety of partners for focused global veterinary issues. The WVA mission is to provide global leadership for the veterinary profession and promote animal health and welfare and public health, through advocacy, education, and partnership. For more information, visit worldvet.org, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

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