

The PAT BURNELL New Investigator Award

In memory of Dr Patricia ('Pat') KP Burnell who sadly passed away last year, the **DDL** Organising Committee have introduced an award in honour of her, which will be presented annually.

Pat was a key instigator in setting up the **DDL** conference over 20 years ago. Her vision was for a conference accessible and inclusive to all. She was passionate about aerosol science and in her own words "**those who do the research should present their work, not their stuffy old boss or academic supervisor**". This award recognises the vision of Pat and has been designed to encourage junior researchers to present their work at **DDL**. It will be awarded to the best research from either academia or industry, from a new researcher.

To be eligible for this award, you should submit your aerosol science research topic either while still studying for your degree (BSc, MSc, MD, PhD, other postgraduate qualification) or up to 3 years post completion of your degree. You will be required to submit an accompanying letter of support from your Supervisor. If you are eligible and wish to be considered for the award, you must submit an abstract for a poster before the 27th August 2010, in accordance with the instructions on our website. Contact Sheila Coates for further information on eligibility, if required.

The **DDL** Organising Committee will shortlist the best abstracts and contact authors by October. Authors will be asked to deliver a 10 minute oral presentation in the main auditorium in a 'Student posters on the podium' session. The award will be made to the new researcher who, in the opinion of the **DDL** Organising Committee, has not only produced the best research but has shown that they understand and can explain their work, by delivering an excellent presentation. This award (certificate and £500) will be separate from the Best Academic poster award (£250) and the Best Industry poster award (£250), so we recommend Supervisors encourage their students to apply.