



## *Phycological Society Of America*

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Dear Dr. Majewska:

I am pleased to provide formal notification that your proposal entitled “Epizoic diatoms as health indicators of sea turtles and their habitat” has been selected for the Phycological Society of America’s seventh Norma J. Lang Early Career Fellowship award. As you are aware, this competitive award provides funding for only one early career applicant each year to support research on algal-related topics with the goal of increasing the likelihood of federal or other grant funding for the recipient.

Your award consists of a one-time payment of \$9,998 USD to be used over a three-year period to fund your research project. In addition, PSA will provide up to \$1,000 in reimbursed expenses each year of your Fellowship beginning in 2024 for attending PSA Annual meetings. At your request, these travel funds can also be used for your graduate students or post-doctoral fellows to attend PSA Annual Meetings but only if they accompany you to the meeting. Carryover of travel funds can be approved one time, but no more than \$2,000 will be made available at any single PSA Annual Meeting.

Your term as a Norma J. Lang Fellow runs from September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2027. Funds from this award are to be expended by December 31, 2027 and final reporting is to be completed by January 31, 2028. A requirement of this award is that the provided funds cannot be used to cover indirect costs associated with your fellowship; your home institution is expected to cover any indirect administrative or other costs to ensure that you have access to the full \$9,998 for support of your research.

The requirements for accepting this award include: 1) continued membership in the Phycological Society of America for the duration of your Fellowship; 2) attendance and oral presentation of the funded work (the “Lang Lecture”) at the annual PSA meeting in the final year of your Lang Fellowship, for which registration will be waived; 3) service as a member of the review committee for awarding future Norma J. Lang Fellowships during the second and third year of your award period; 4) acknowledgment in publications and presentations of all work carried out with Norma J. Lang Fellowship support; and, 5)

submission of a final report to the Norma J. Lang Review Committee Chair and the Phycological Society of America's Endowment Fund Manager at the end of your three-year term. This report should be no more than three pages and describe your accomplishments as a Lang Fellow including citations for each publication, submitted research proposals, and grants received related to this award.

To indicate that you agree to these conditions, please return a signed electronic copy of this letter to Dr. Steve Murray, the Phycological Society of America's Endowment Fund Manager.

Dr. Norma J. Lang was an internationally recognized phycologist who made many contributions to algal research and education over her illustrious career. She would be pleased to learn that you are the recipient of this year's award and that you are well poised to carry on her legacy and to enjoy a long and productive career working on algal related research questions. I am hopeful that you will take this opportunity to connect with the Phycological Society of America and look forward to seeing you and your students at our future meetings.

Congratulations on being the seventh early career phycologist to receive this prestigious and competitive award.

Sincerely,



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