

Dear AMS member,

The Student research awards committee of the American Malacological Society received 26 applications in response to its 2006 call for proposals. Although selection among these proposals was difficult, we made three awards for 2006.

Adele Grindon of The University of Nottingham has been awarded \$1000 in support of her proposal "Genetic evidence for a Scandinavian origin of land snails in Iceland and North America"

Paul Bourdeau, Stony Brook University has been awarded \$500 in support of his proposal entitled "Do multiple predators impose an adaptive morphological tradeoff in a marine snail?"

Lisa Crummett of the University of Florida has been awarded \$500 in support of her research project entitled "Why is brooding associated with parthenogenesis in aquatic invertebrates? Testing the "selection Arena" and "Local Adaptation" hypothesis in a freshwater snail."

The committee urges AMS members to support young researchers through donations to the auction at the next AMS meeting in Seattle. I thank committee members, Paula Mikkelsen and Gene Coan for their efforts on behalf of the society.

Janet Voight  
Chair, Student Awards Committee