

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST/APPLICATION FORM

The Lung Foundation Australia Brian Eaton Memorial PhD Scholarship in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Research 2019

A collaborative initiative of Lung Foundation Australia, Thoracic Society of Australia & New Zealand, the Centre for Research Excellence in Pulmonary Fibrosis and the Eaton Family.

Background

The Lung Foundation Australia Brian Eaton Memorial PhD Scholarship in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF) supports research to increase the clinical and/or scientific knowledge of (1) the incidence or prevalence of the disease in Australia (2) diagnostic process, or; (3) disease progression.

Relevant domains of research inquiry include any form of clinical, population, laboratory or genetics research. The researcher may apply to use the data compiled by the Australian IPF Registry on its cohort of approximately 685 patients, however this is not necessary.

Students, who are wishing to undertake a PhD and can demonstrate that their University or Research Institute is willing to partner and co-fund a PhD Scholarship in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Research, are invited to submit an application. This PhD Scholarship is ideally aimed at a researcher who is commencing a higher degree. The student must be a resident in Australia throughout the period of the research project.

Lung Foundation Australia will be allocating a set amount of funds of \$15,000 per year over a three year period (total funding: \$45,000) for the PhD Scholarship, with matched or greater funds to be provided by the University or Research Institute.

These funds are to be used for direct costs associated with the conduct of the research, being the student stipend. Allowance funding or indirect and/or infrastructure costs do not form part of this grant and will not be covered by Lung Foundation Australia.

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Timelines

Deadline for receipt of Application	30 October 2019
Review Period / Correspondence	November 2019
Notification of Successful Student	20 December 2019
Official Recognition – TSANZ 2020	27 – 31 March 2020 (Melbourne)

Eligibility

Applicants must be a financial member of Lung Foundation Australia (Health Professional Category) and the Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand.

Conditions

1. The recipient is required to submit a Progress Report at the end of the first and second years of the PhD Scholarship and a Final report to the Lung Foundation within 3 months of the end of the PhD Scholarship term, in accordance with the award guidelines. All reports are to include a plain-English Layman's Summary.
2. The PhD Scholarship will be awarded towards the end of 2019, with an official recognition of the award recipient to be made at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the TSANZ in 2020. The recipient has must take up this award within 12 months of being awarded.
3. The recipient is required to submit the results of the research for possible presentation at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the TSANZ within 12 months of completion.
4. Any publication(s) arising from this research should acknowledge the Lung Foundation Australia Brian Eaton Memorial PhD Scholarship in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Research 2019 as a source of support.
5. In the event of there being no suitable applicants, the PhD Scholarship may not be awarded.

Applications

The Research Committee of the Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand (TSANZ) and two members of the Centre of Research Excellence in Pulmonary Fibrosis (the Committee) will assess all applications. Applications will be assessed using the following scoring system:

Criterion	Weight
University – Letter of Support/"Partnership with Lung Foundation Australia" form	Required
Research Supervisor and research environment – including funding	30%
Importance and Quality of Research Questions	30%
Academic Track Record of Student & Supervisor/s	30%
New Student / PhD Student	10%
Total	100%

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Please refer to the Lung Foundation Australia website lungfoundation.com.au or the Thoracic Society of Australian & New Zealand website thoracic.org.au to ensure all criteria have been met.

Any part of the application that exceeds the page limits will not be reviewed

To Apply

- Please complete all sections of this form.
- Use a minimum size 12 Times New Roman font
- Breach of guidelines will deem the application not valid (Including font size and references).
- Submit an electronic copy of your application and supporting documents to:

The Research and Policy Manager
Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand

via: thoracic.org.au/researchawards/LFA-awards-submission-portal

Deadline

Electronic submission to be dated no later than 30 October 2019.

Applicant's Details

Title	Dr	Mr	Mrs	Ms	Miss	Other:
First Name						
Last Name						
Postal Address						
Suburb				State	Postcode	
Contact	T:		M:		F:	
	Email:					
Signature					Date:	

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Details of the Project

Title	
Proposed Supervisor	
Institution	

Hypotheses and Aims (1/2 page maximum):

Layman's Description of Project (1/2 page maximum):

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Background, Research Plan and Relevant Literature:

Sufficient detail should be given to enable an evaluation of scientific merit and feasibility of the project (includes methodology, sample size and statistical analysis). Maximum length 3 pages including references.

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Significance of the Project:

(One page maximum)

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Publications by Student and Supervisor/s in Field

(One page maximum)

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Track Record of Student Supervision by Supervisor/s

(Half page maximum)

Funding for the Project by Supervisor/s

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Applicant Checklist

Please ensure that you have enclosed:

Item No.	Details	✓
1.	Completed standard application form (preceding pages)	
2.	A track record, not exceeding 1 A4 pages (12 point Times New Roman font, single spacing, 2 cm margins)	
3.	University - Letter of Support / Partnership with Lung Foundation Australia form with undertaking to match funds for PhD Scholarship	
4.	Confirmation of your membership of Lung Foundation Australia (Health Professional Category)	
5.	Confirmation of your membership of Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand	
6.	Application falls within the relevant domains of research enquiry for this award (see background)	

Award Contacts:

TSANZ Awards Coordinator

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