

TRANSPLANTATION SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

The Society provides a number of benefits for members, which include support to attend national and international transplantation meetings and reduced fees at meetings sponsored by the society.

The eligibility criteria for each award are outlined below and will form the basis for selecting suitable applicants. If there are more applicants than available funds, TSANZ Council will use its discretion to determine the final allocation of these awards.

AWARDS AT THE ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

1. President's Prizes

The two President's Prizes are awarded by TSANZ to the best young investigators (under 35 years of age or currently enrolled for a full-time research degree), who are financial members of the Society at the time the awards are being considered, based on a submitted abstract and invited oral presentation in the President's Prize Symposium for 1) clinical research 2) basic science categories at the Annual Scientific Meeting. The current value of each award is up to the value of \$2,500 to attend a scientific meeting. The money is to cover the cost of travel, registration and accommodation and should be used within two years of winning the prize. In addition there is a \$500 prize.

2. Novartis & Wyeth Young Investigator Awards

Eligibility

- be a financial member of the Society at the time award is being considered
- be under 35 years of age or currently registered for a full time research degree
- have an abstract accepted for oral or mini oral presentation
- attend and present their abstract

Application made on abstract form at the time of abstract submission

Award

- Assistance with travel/registration for this meeting
- Current value - Return airfare from city of origin plus registration fee

Closing Date

- Abstract closing date

3. Amgen Young Investigator Book Prizes

Eligibility

- be a financial member of the Society at the time award is being considered
- be under 35 years of age or currently registered for a full time research degree
- have an abstract accepted for oral or mini oral presentation
- attend and present their abstract

Application made on abstract form at the time of abstract submission

Award

- 3 Book vouchers to the value of \$500 each

Closing Date

- Abstract closing date

4. Bristol-Myers Squibb Young Investigator Book Prizes**Eligibility**

- be a financial member of the Society at the time award is being considered
- be under 35 years of age or currently registered for a full time research degree
- have an abstract accepted for oral or mini oral presentation
- attend and present their abstract

Application made on abstract form at the time of abstract submission

Award

- 4 Book vouchers to the value of \$500 each

Closing Date

- Abstract closing date

5. Kidney Health Australia Awards for Clinical & Laboratory Presentations

The KHA has generously sponsored two awards, each to the value of \$1,000, for the best clinical and laboratory based presentations at the Annual Scientific Meeting. The awards are judged on abstracts and presentation at the ASM, and all presenting financial members of the Society are eligible.

OTHER AWARDS**6. Travel Awards to attend International Transplantation Meetings****Eligibility**

- be a financial member of the Society of 12 months standing from the date of approval of membership to the Society to the date of the meeting
- be under 35 years of age or a full time student enrolled for a higher degree (young investigator) or
- be over 35 years of age (senior investigator) in a non-clinical position
- have an abstract accepted for oral or poster presentation at a transplantation orientated meeting
- not be in receipt of a bursary from the meeting organisers and must have applied (if eligible) for such a bursary
- attend and present their abstract
- no discrimination between oral and poster presentations
- council will not score abstracts
- preference given to first authors
- Young Investigators or full time students are eligible to apply twice in a five year period
- Senior Investigators are eligible to apply once every three year
- when there are too many eligible applicants, preference given to those not previously supported

A minimum of 6 awards will be offered each year

Successful applicants must supply brief summary of meeting highlights to TSANZ office
Application form available from TSANZ office or the website

Award

- Assistance with travel/registration for the meeting
- \$2,500 to attend meetings in USA/Europe/Japan
- \$1,500 elsewhere

Closing Dates

- There will be 3 closing dates per year:-
 - 1st March - for meetings held 1st April - 30th June
 - 1st June - for meetings held 1st July - 30th October
 - 1st October - for meetings held 1st November - 31st March

7. Janssen-Cilag Travelling Fellowships

These awards (3 x \$5,000) are for members at an early stage in their career in transplantation who wish to travel overseas in order to further their careers in transplantation.

An emailed copy of the application should be forwarded to the Honorary Secretary by the closing date of 1st October (in the year before receipt of the award) or by 1st March. The applicant must have been a member of TSANZ for at least twelve months at the time of the application. The application should contain the following information:

- a. Full name, date of birth, private address, telephone number, fax and email, of applicant, together with address for all correspondence
- b. Details of academic record-to-date, including courses completed, year of completion and results obtained
- c. Brief description of any current or completed research work
- d. List of publications
- e. Description of proposed research programme and nature of employment (if relevant) in year of award. This should be no more than 2 pages. Please indicate the stage of negotiation etc
- f. Details of other financial support obtained or applied for in the year of award
- g. Details of travel for which the fellowship is sought (including copy of abstract if relevant)
- h. The names and addresses of 2 referees

Successful applicants will be required to submit a report to Council regarding their Fellowship, which will be published in the Newsletter.

8. The Ian McKenzie Prize for Outstanding Contribution in Transplantation

This prestigious award recognises researchers who have demonstrated excellence and exceptional contribution in the field of transplantation. Preference will be given to applicants who are within 10 years of embarking on their own research programme either in the field of basic science, clinical research or both. The defining period for assessment will be the postdoctoral research years or a similar independent research period.

The application should include a summary (maximum of 2 pages) outlining the overall direction and achievement of their research work and how these findings have influenced the progress of science or clinical medicine/surgery in field of transplantation. A full Curriculum Vitae should be submitted which includes a record of original publications, research grants, lectureships and awards or other relevant achievements. The summary and Curriculum Vitae will be used to assess

each applicant.

The award will open annually for suitable applicants. An award subcommittee will be appointed, which may include assessors from overseas. The awards committee will report to the President and recommend the highest ranked successful applicant. If there are no suitable applicants in any given year, the committee reserves the right not to make an award. The successful applicant will receive \$5,000 for personal use.

The award is open to all members of the Society and applicants must be financial members of TSANZ for at least 12 months at the time of submitting an application.

The successful applicant will be expected to present their body of work at the Annual Scientific Meeting.

Applications must be lodged by emailing a single PDF file (MS word files will also be accepted) to tsanz@tsanz.com.au

Closing date: **30th April 2012**

9. Amgen- TSANZ Innovative Research Grant

Objectives and Aim of the Award

To support a clinical research project in the area of kidney outcomes following transplantation. The scope includes clinical studies of organ (kidney, pancreas, liver, heart, lung or bone marrow) transplant recipients where the focus is on kidney-relevant outcomes, such as kidney function, anaemia or bone disease.

Funding

The award is for \$30,000 for one year.

Applications

The award is open to all financial members of 12 months standing of the Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand (TSANZ).

Only one application per person/group will be assessed.

The award cannot be given twice to the same individual.

Reporting

The successful applicant will be required to present an annual progress report to TSANZ until completion of the project and will be encouraged to present their findings at the TSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting.

Closing Dates

A. An initial 1 page letter of intent, A4 Arial 10 font, which should include an outline of the proposed project (rationale, aims, methods, expected outcome and impact) plus contact details, should be lodged with the Honorary Secretary of TSANZ tsanz@tsanz.com.au by **5pm Friday 27th April 2012**.

B. The 3 best applicants will then be contacted by Friday **11th May 2012** and full applications (3 A4 pages, Arial 10 font, including rationale, aims, methods, expected outcome and impact) together with Curriculum Vitae for 1-3 investigators, will be sought with the closing date being **5pm Friday 1st June 2012**.

C. Applicants will be advised of the outcome and the successful applicant will be formally announced and presented with their award at the TSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting Annual Dinner on Thursday 30th June 2011 in Canberra.

10. The Mark Cocks Transplant Research Scholarship

This prestigious award is to recognise the life of Mark Cocks and his contribution to Transplant Australia and the wider transplant community. It has been offered by Transplant Australia through their Team Life programme.

Objectives and Focus

To encourage members of the transplant community to study or enhance their transplantation techniques and procedures, or to develop innovations that will improve survival rates and the quality of life of patients. For the 2012 award the focus is on research into mental and physical support that is required for adolescents and young adults who are waiting for a transplant.

Selection Criteria and Funding

The scholarship is open to all financial members of the Transplantation Society of Australia and New Zealand (TSANZ). The successful applicant will receive \$10,000 to be used for the purpose of carrying out the Scholarship, which may include but is not limited to travel, accommodation, materials, salary and associated costs.

Reporting

The scholarship will normally have a life of 12 months. The successful 2012 applicant will be encouraged to present their findings at the TSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting.

Closing Date for Applications

An emailed copy of the application, consisting of a summary (1-page maximum) outlining the overall direction of the proposed project, and Curriculum Vitae of the applicant, should be lodged with the Honorary Secretary of TSANZ by **5pm 27th April 2012**. The successful 2012 applicant will be formally announced and presented with their award at the TSANZ Annual Dinner on Thursday 30th June during the ASM in Canberra.