



TSANZ AWARD Ann Woolcock New Investigator Award

Deadline for applications: 21 October 2022

Aim

The Ann Woolcock New Investigator Award is presented at the TSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting to acknowledge excellence in the conduct and presentation of scientific research.

This is a Travelling Fellowship of up to **AU \$1500** to support professional development, plus expenses (of up to **AU \$5000** for return economy airfare, meeting registration and accommodation) to support the recipient to attend and present their original high-quality research to the next Annual Scientific Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Society of Respirology (APSR). Finalists (excluding the winning applicant) will receive a certificate of achievement and **AU \$500** to support professional development.

If recipients are unable to travel to APSR in 2023 due to the pandemic, the travel portion of the award will be transferred to a digital registration. Remaining funds may then be used for professional development or research support upon approval by the Research Chair.

This award furthers one of Professor Ann Woolcock's goals of fostering research ties between the TSANZ and the APSR.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the award, the applicant must:

- 1. Be a current member of TSANZ¹,
- 2. A citizen or permanent resident of Australia or New Zealand, or have the requisite work or study visa and be endorsed by the Administering Institution²,
- 3. Be undertaking a higher degree by research in an area directly relevant to respiratory research, or
- 4. Have graduated with a higher degree in research in an area directly relevant to respiratory research within the last two years of the closing date for this application career interruptions should be specified in track record,
- 5. Submit an original abstract for oral presentation as presenting author for the TSANZ ASM, and
- 6. Be responsible for the major components of the work to be presented (to be certified by the applicant's supervisor/head of department)

The research to be presented must have been carried out:

- 7. In Australia and/or New Zealand,
- 8. During the candidate's first substantive research project or program and must be directly relevant to respiratory research, and
- 9. Over a period of two years or more, full time equivalent.

Note: New Investigator finalists may only apply in subsequent years if their extended abstract is substantially different to the previous application³.

¹ Financial member of the TSANZ who has obtained the support of a proposer and seconder and has been endorsed by the TSANZ Board

² The application is endorsed by the Administering Institution to have the requisite work or study visa in place at the time of accepting the successful grant and will remain employed for the duration of the funding period.

³ As outlined by the applicant on the application coversheet – Part 2

Condition

The following conditions apply to this award:

- The award must be used within one year of the TSANZ ASM.
- Recipients are required to submit a report for publication in the TSANZ newsletters and/or Annual Report.

Note: This condition must be met to remain eligible for future award rounds.

Applications

Applicants must submit only an electronic application as a PDF file via the **online abstract submission portal.** In order to be considered for this award, your application <u>must</u> be submitted *by the deadline* and <u>must</u> include:

- An extended abstract not exceeding 2 A4 pages. A graph, table or figure may be included within the two-page maximum
- A track record (maximum two A4 pages). *Include any significant career disruptions supporting eligibility outside the listed criteria.*
- Publications over the last five years, excluding career disruptions (unlimited).

Selection Process

Judging prior to the ASM

Members of the TSANZ Research Committee will evaluate and rank applications using the following criteria:

Criterion	Weight
Scientific Quality	60%
Significance and Innovation	40%
Total	100%

In early 2023, up to six of the highest ranked applicants will be invited to present their abstract in the dedicated NIA session at the ASM. Unsuccessful applicants will also be notified and will then have their abstract considered for either an oral or poster presentation in other SIG sessions at the ASM.

Judging at the ASM

At the ASM, there will be a session dedicated to the selected finalists for judging for the Ann Woolcock New Investigator Award. Each presentation will be of <u>ten</u> minutes in length followed by <u>five</u> minutes for questions. Members of the TSANZ Research Sub-Committee and invited experts will judge the presentations using the following criteria:

Criterion	Weight
Scientific Quality	50%
Standard of Presentation and Communication	30%
Responses to Questions	20%
Total	100%

The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate:

- Excellence in the design, execution, analysis and critical appraisal of their research,
- Ability to communicate key concepts clearly to an audience who have no specialised knowledge in the field, and
- Competence in dealing with the challenge of peers' questions.

The judges' decision will be communicated to the President of TSANZ and the winner of will be announced at the end of the ASM. If, in the opinion of the judges, a sufficiently high standard has not been attained in any of the presentations, then the award may be

	withheld. Unsuccessful finalists will receive a certificate of achievement and AU \$500.
Enquiries	Please direct enquires to <u>TSANZawards@thoracic.org.au</u>

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Applicant Name					
Institution Address					
Contact Details					
Part 1 – Certification	on by Supervisor/Head of School				
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Print Name:					
Appointment: (Eg. Supervisor/Head of	School and Institution)				
Signature:	Date:				
Part 2 – Certification of substantially different extended abstract (if applicant has <u>previously been a finalist</u> of the Ann Woolcock New Investigator Award)					
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Part 3 - Checklist

Yes / No

- 1. Are you a current member of the TSANZ?
- 2. Are you a citizen or permanent resident in Australia or New Zealand, or have the requisite work or study visa and be endorsed by the Administering Institution?

Are all documents formatted correctly:

3. All text submitted on A4 pages with a 2cm margin to the top, bottom, left and right. Text must be single line spaced, with size 12 Times New Roman font. No columns are permitted.

Have you attached:

- 4. An extended abstract (two A4 pages).
- 5. A track record (maximum two A4 pages, include any significant career disruptions).
- 6. Publications over the last five years (excluding career disruptions, unlimited pages).

Declarations

I have not been a full or part-time employee of, or paid consultant to, nor do I have any real or perceived, direct or indirect links to the tobacco industry in the past five years.

I declare that all information provided in this application and in documents submitted is true and correct.

Signed:			