



RNA Victoria Network (RNAVic)

RNAVic Award for Outstanding Research Output by a graduate researcher or an ECR

Purpose:

To recognise and further advance the research of graduate and early-mid career at a critical point in their career. These awards are offered once per year.

Eligibility:

- Applications will be considered in early January of each year and will apply for research output produced during the previous calendar year (publication year based on the date the work is first available in PubMed or equivalent database).
- Be a participant of RNAVic meetings. All researchers are eligible to attend meetings (there is no formal membership at present).
- If nominating a publication for consideration for the award the publication must have been accepted for publication and available in PubMed. Evidence of acceptance and copy of manuscript must be provided with application. If published, please provide a pdf of the work.
- Applications for either of the two Outstanding Research Output Award categories are made on behalf of an individual applicant (not a Team). The application can be self-nominated or nominated by another RNAVic member.
- The same research output can be considered for one of the Outstanding Research Output awards and the Best Research Output of the Year.
- Graduate Researcher – an Honours, Masters, PhD student or equivalent at a Research Institute or University in Victoria at the time of the application and/or on December 31 in the preceding year and that their nominated Research Output was predominantly produced in Victoria.
- ECR – defined as outlined in the NHMRC guidelines and includes all post-doctoral researchers who are eligible for EL1 and EL2 categories of NHMRC grants and who are affiliated with a research institute, university, hospital or a business in Victoria during the time of the application and generated the nominated Research Output predominantly in Victoria.
- Research Output can be, but is not limited to, a peer reviewed research paper, patent, database or other research output.

Application procedure (self nominations accepted):

- Provide a 200 word summary of the research output and its significance to the field. Within that, include also a very short statement on the contribution of the nominee to the research output (open to all authorship positions; justification of contribution required).
- Provide a copy of the research output (pdf, open access database link etc)
- For each of the first categories—Outstanding Research Output by a graduate student and an ECR—up to two awardees will be selected, one male and one female in each round.
- Applicants are only eligible to be awarded once in each category.
- Email application documents to cwalkley@svi.edu.au with a subject line of “RNAVic awards”

Selection of awardee:

The selection of the awardee will be made by members of the RNAVic Scientific Organising Committee and up to three ECR nominees (or their delegates when COI precludes consideration; all with equal weighted input into the final decision; RNAVic will endeavour to have a gender balanced selection committee). The committee reserves the right not to make an award. Awardees will receive a certificate and acknowledgement on the RNAVic website.

Winners will be notified by email and awards will be presented at the next available RNAVic Symposium after the date of awarding. It is expected (but not essential) that the awardee be available to collect the award in person and will be available to provide a short summary of their work in the form of an oral

presentation if it has not been previously presented at the RNAVic symposium. The awardee agrees to have a photo on the RNAVic website and to have their name on the website.



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RNAVic Award for Best Research Output of the Year

Purpose:

To recognise the best research output by a Victorian based research group related to RNA in the previous calendar year. These awards are offered once per year.

Eligibility:

- Open to all members of RNAVic irrespective of career stage.
- Applications will be considered in early January of each year and will apply for research output produced during the previous calendar year (publication year based on the date the work is first available in PubMed or equivalent database).
- Be a participant of RNAVic meetings. All researchers are eligible to attend meetings (there is no formal membership at present).
- The same research output can be considered for one of the Outstanding Research Output awards and the Best Research Output of the Year.
- The Research Output should have predominantly been performed in Victoria and published or otherwise completed during the calendar year preceding the application deadline.

Application procedure:

- Provide a 200 word summary of the research output and its significance to the field.
- If not all the authors or inventors that were listed on the research output are nominated, then provide a 200 word maximum summary of the contribution to the work made by the nominees.
- Provide a copy of the research output (eg pdf, open access database link etc)
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