

CSANZ PRIZE / FELLOWSHIP DESCRIPTORS

Detailed below is a brief description of the various Prizes and Fellowships which the Society provides. More information regarding any of these Prizes or Fellowships is available on the website or alternatively from the Society office (telephone +61 2 9256 5452 or email info@csanz.edu.au)

ACC, AHA & ESC Travelling Fellowships

American College of Cardiology, American Heart Association and European Society of Cardiology

The Fellowships are intended to provide an opportunity for investigators in the early stage of their research career, to present at a major international conference. Applicants must be Members, of the Cardiac Society or Researchers in cardiology or cardiothoracic surgery and related disciplines with preference given to those attending their first meeting.

ASM Travelling Fellowships

The Fellowships are designed to help defray the costs of registration, travel and accommodation to the Society's Annual Scientific Meeting. Applicants must be either Associate or Affiliate Members of the Cardiac Society at the time of applying and must be the presenting author. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of abstract grading. Equal preference will be given to oral and poster presentation.

CSANZ Affiliate Clinical Development Award (CDA)

The Awards are intended to further develop the successful candidate through an increase in their clinical knowledge and expertise, an increased awareness of research and evidence-based practice and will also allow the successful candidate to build on their professional network. In particular this strategy addresses succession planning for leadership positions in cardiovascular practice, research, education and management. Candidates applying for a CDA are not required to have an abstract accepted for presentation at the CSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting.

CSANZ Research Scholarships

The CSANZ Research Scholarship is intended to provide support for Members of the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand who wish to pursue a career in cardiovascular research. Research Scholarships are open to all members of the Society, including Associate and Affiliate Members and will be awarded only to applicants whose research is to be conducted in Australia or New Zealand. Only those applicants who are enrolled as full time students (eg. for PhD or MD) will be eligible to receive the Scholarship as a tax-free stipend.

The value of the Scholarship will be equivalent to that of the NHF Postgraduate Medical or non-Medical Scholarship (depending on the candidate's academic qualifications) and will be payable for one year.

It is expected that the CSANZ Scholarship will provide successful applicants with sufficient research experience to enable them to secure an NHF and/or NH&MRC Postgraduate Research Scholarship to support their ongoing research activity in subsequent years.

CSANZ / 14th WCC Research Investigatorship

The CSANZ / 14th WCC Research Investigatorship is a prestigious new Research Career Development Award, sponsored by the 14th World Congress of Cardiology Education Fund of The Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand (CSANZ). The award is specifically designed to assist a young investigator (especially those seeking to return to Australia after completing a period of research training overseas) with a commitment to clinical or basic research in cardiology and cardiovascular disease to establish an independent research laboratory. It is expected that the successful applicant will be prepared to devote at least 80% of their time to research during the tenure of the investigatorship.

The successful applicant will have successfully obtained his/her Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians in cardiology and have completed a relevant doctoral degree (either MD or PhD). The successful applicant will have completed at least one year of postdoctoral cardiovascular research experience in a major international academic centre, and should have demonstrated research achievements, including publications in peer-reviewed journals, and preferably the capacity to obtain peer-reviewed competitive grant funding.

The award is not designed to support investigators who already hold an established hospital and/or university position, and/or who already run an established independent research operation.

Applicants should be citizens or permanent residents of Australia or New Zealand and should be eligible for medical registration in Australia or New Zealand.

R T Hall Prize

The R T Hall Prize is the most prestigious research award of the Cardiac Society of Australia & New Zealand and recognises the achievements of senior and established investigators. The Prize is awarded in open competition and is directed towards recognition of sustained and outstanding research achievement.

The R T Hall Prize will be awarded to **an individual investigator** for a coherent body of work, which advances knowledge of the cardiovascular system and its diseases and which is published in a scientific journal or journals. Earlier publications, which provide scientific background for the main body of the submission, would also be acceptable as supporting documentation. Work

published in book-form and thesis, which have been accepted for higher degrees, may also be submitted. The work must have been substantially carried out in Australia or New Zealand but the investigator need not be a Member of The Society.