

Lung Foundation Australia Fellowship in COPD Research

Supported by the late John Farrell

Background

Via the [Hope Research Fund](#), Lung Foundation Australia is pleased to offer a Fellowship in COPD Research valued at **\$75,000 (+ GST)** over 12 months. This Fellowship has been created through a generous bequest made by Mr. John Farrell.

Relevant domains of research inquiry include any form of clinical, population, laboratory, genetic or tissue-based research. Lung Foundation Australia welcomes Indigenous researchers to apply for this Fellowship. Projects which focus on the lung health of Australia's First Nation's people are highly encouraged.

Awarded funds are to be used for Research Fellow salary only. Direct, indirect research costs and/or infrastructure costs do not form part of this grant and will not be covered by the funding.

Eligibility

1. This Fellowship is open to early career researchers (ECRs) who have graduated with a PhD or equivalent within the last 10 years of the closing date of this application.
2. Fellows must be currently working in an area related to COPD research.
3. Applications from ECRs must be supported by a senior investigator (Supervisor) with a strong track record in a related research field. A letter of support on university / institution letterhead co-signed by the Supervisor and an authorised research administrative officer from your university / institution **is required** as part of your application.
4. Matched funds provided by the applicant's host institution **are required** to extend the value of the research investment provided by the Hope Research Fund. This should be confirmed in the letter of support provided with the application.
5. Grant applicants **must** be a member of Lung Foundation Australia (Health Professional Category). Evidence of membership is required as part of the Grant application.

Terms and Conditions

1. The Lung Foundation Australia Fellowship in COPD Research is subject to the terms and conditions of the [Lung Foundation Australia Research Grants and Awards Policy](#)
2. The duration of the Fellowship is twelve (12) calendar months from the date of commencement.
3. Grant funds (the Award) are paid upon notice of commencement of the research project (75% total Award value) and upon submission of the final reporting milestone (25% of total Award value)
4. If the Grant is not taken up within twelve (12) calendar months the Award will be forfeited.
5. Applicants must agree to participate in marketing and communication's activities to promote the Foundation and the Hope Research Fund.
6. Applications must agree to report progress and research outcomes for up to five years following the end of the Fellowship via the Foundation's ResearchFish platform.
7. The Fellowship will be awarded towards the end of 2021, with an official recognition of the award recipient to be made at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the TSANZ in 2022.

8. The recipient is required to submit the results of the research for possible presentation at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the TSANZ or an equivalent international meeting within 12 months of completion of the funding.
9. Any publication/s arising from research funded through the Fellowship are required to acknowledge the Hope Research Fund and Lung Foundation Australia as sources of funding, as per the Research Grants & Awards Policy. The award can be cited as the *2021 Lung Foundation Australia Hope Research Fund in COPD Research, supported by John Farrell*.
10. In the event of there being no suitable applicants, the Fellowship may not be awarded.

Application Assessment

Applications will be assessed by an expert panel selected by Lung Foundation Australia using the following criterion:

Criterion	Weight
Academic Track Record of Researcher (relative to opportunity)	40%
Importance and Quality of Research	30%
Research Supervisor and Research Environment	20%
Anticipated impact on the health and wellbeing of people living with COPD and also your research career.	10%
Total	100%

Application Form

Before completing the below sections of the application form please read the [Lung Foundation Australia Research Grants and Awards Policy](#).

Please complete **all** sections of the application form using size 10 Century Gothic font and ensure your application has all supporting documents requested. Applications which do not comply with these requirements will not be assessed.

Applicants are required to submit their applications electronically using the [LFA Awards Submission Portal on the TSANZ website](#). This will require your application to be saved as a single PDF file before it is uploaded.

Applications submitted after the submission date will **not** be accepted. For all submission enquires please contact the TSANZ Awards Coordinator TSANZawards@thoracic.org.au

Applicant Details

Title	Dr	Mr	Mrs	Ms	Miss	Other:
Title						
First Name						
Last Name						
Postal Address						

Suburb	State	Postcode
Contact	T:	M:
	Email:	
Signature	Date:	

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Proposed Research Plan

Project Title
Institution
Supervisor

1. **Research Summary:** *One page maximum.*
Provide a brief introduction to your proposed research project with sufficient detail to enable assessment of scientific merit, feasibility, appropriateness of methods, expected results and anticipated impact within research field or on patient outcomes

2. **Layman's Description of the Research** *One-half page maximum.*

3. **Applicant track record in COPD and/or related research field** *One page maximum*

Covering overall track record:

- Career summary (qualifications, employment and appointment history)
- Contribution to the field of research
- Top publications (maximum 5) in the past 5 years including reasons
- National / international standing including invitations to speak, committee membership
- Peer review (granting bodies, journals / editorial roles)
- Research support including grants / fellowships
- Professional activities (committees, conference organisation / participation)
- Supervision and mentoring
- Collaborations
- Community engagement and involvement
- Translation of research into practice and health commercial outcomes (patents etc)
- If relevant, include a relative to opportunity statement describing any research career disruptions.

4. **Supervisor track record in COPD and/or related research field** *One half-page maximum.*

5. **Proposed Budget / Use of Award Funds** *One-half page maximum.*
Include an itemized description of direct research costs. If funds are to be used as a contribution to a larger value project, please specify which costs are supported by the Grant.

6. **Summary of anticipated impact of research outcomes on health and wellbeing of people impacted by COPD** *One half-page maximum.*

7. **Briefly outline your career development objectives for the next five years and how the proposed research will foster these.** *One half-page maximum.*
Include the anticipated impacts on your research career and any collaborations that will be facilitated by your research.

8. **Provide an outline for use of the Fellowship funding of \$75,000 (noting it is for salary only) e.g. "to support 0.6 FTE research position over 12 months" and the allocation of matched funds by your institution.** *One half-page maximum.*

Application Checklist

Before submission, please review your application documents using the following checklist:

Item	Details	✓
1.	You have read the Lung Foundation Australia Research Grants and Awards Policy, and agree to comply with the Terms and Conditions	
2.	You meet the eligibility criteria for the Grant and your application falls within the relevant domains of research enquiry for this award (see background section above)	
3.	Applicant details and Research Plan sections are completed, including budget	
4.	Supervisor track record is included (one page maximum, 10-point, Century Gothic font)	
5.	Letter of Support on institution letterhead co-signed by your Principal Supervisor and authorised research administrative officer from your university / institution. This should include agreement to contribute matched or greater funds.	
6.	Evidence of PhD conferral.	
7.	Evidence of Lung Foundation Australia membership (Health Professional Category) is included.	
8.	Evidence of Thoracic Society of Australia & New Zealand membership is included or you agree to provide if successful.	

Timeline

Date / time	
22 July 2021	Open to application
2 September 2021 5pm (AEDST)	Applications closed
28 October 2021 onwards	Notification period All applicants will be advised of the outcome by email Please note that notification may be delayed if the review process being undertaken exceeds estimated time frame
May 2022	Public awarding at TSANZ ASM 2022.

Enquiries

For all Fellowship enquiries:

Attention of General Manager Clinical Programs, Research & Innovation, Lung Foundation Australia
e: enquiries@lungfoundation.com.au

For all submission enquiries:

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