

Tour de Cure Cancer Research Scholarship

Research Guideline GDL-4880

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Governing Policy: POL-4932 Research Scholarship Policy

Eligibility Summary RACS Fellows, SIMGs, SET Trainees

Interest area Research – cancer (Australia)

Together with the Foundation for Surgery, Tour de Cure generously funds the Tour de Cure Cancer Research Scholarship to improve cancer outcomes and help find a cure for cancer. Tour de Cure holds cycling tours and events across Australia to raise funds for cancer research, support and prevention projects.

Tour de Cure funds research that:

- prevents cancer and the related health consequences
- develops new treatments or medicines
- improves cancer detection and diagnosis
- improves quality of life
- improves understanding of different cancers
- supports clinical trials.

Conditions

Applicant eligibility

Applications are open to RACS Fellows, Specialist International Medical Graduates (SIMGs) and SET Trainees.

SET applicants are ineligible for this scholarship.

Eligible activity

A cancer research project undertaken at an approved research institute under the supervision of an experienced investigator.

Selection panel

Selection is via written application with shortlisted applicants invited to interview.

The selection panel is comprised of the Chair and two members of the Scholarship and Grant Committee.

A shortlist of two applicants is provided to the Board of Tour de Cure to select the recipient.

Recipient obligations

Recipients are required to submit an abstract, and if successful, to present their research at the annual meeting of the Surgical Research Society of Australasia (or an agreed equivalent) at least once during, or in the 12 months following, the scholarship period.

Recipients must advise the RACS Scholarships and Grants team via email at scholarships@surgeons.org of acceptance of presentation.

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Financial arrangements

The scholarship will be paid to the administering institution upon receipt of a valid tax invoice as requested by the Scholarships and Grants department. Payment will be made in one instalment prior to 1 March in the scholarship year.

This scholarship is made up of a stipend component and a departmental component.

Funding Source

The scholarship is valued at \$125,000. A maximum of \$100,000 (\$90,000 stipend plus \$10,000 Departmental Maintenance) will be funded from the Tour de Cure Cancer Research Scholarship Corpus. Recipients are required to procure \$25,000 (\$22,500 stipend plus \$2,500 DM) from their Research Department.

This condition will be waived if the scholar receives additional research funding to the value of, or greater than \$25,000. Additional funding would have to include a stipend component to offset the research department's responsibility for paying a percentage of the scholar's stipend.

Sponsor

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