

## DAMIAN MCMAHON TRAUMA RESEARCH TRAVEL GRANT FOR TRAINEES



Damian McMahon [1958–2012] was an integral and influential member of the RACS Trauma Committee and Chair Trauma Verification Subcommittee. The *Damian McMahon Travel Grant* has been established to recognise and honour the commitment and work that Dr McMahon gave to RACS as well as rewarding excellence in trauma research.

The [\*Damian McMahon Trauma Research Travel Grant\*](#) is based on research into cause, prevention and/or management of trauma and is awarded to the best trauma research paper presented by a trainee\* at the RACS Annual Scientific Congress (ASC). The 2022 ASC will be held in Brisbane 2-6 May. The Damian McMahon Trauma Research Travel Grant is a session in the ASC trauma program.

**Abstract submissions for the 2022 ASC open in late October 2021 and close 8:00 am Thursday 27 January 2022 – visit [asc.surgeons.org](http://asc.surgeons.org)**

The Damian McMahon grant has been set up to assist the recipient with travel expenses to attend and present their paper at the 2022 Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS®) Asia Pacific Region XVI paper competition. The winner of the Region XVI meeting is eligible, and supported, to compete at the American College of Surgeons Committees on Trauma scientific meeting held in the US in March 2023 with the winning research paper eligible for publication in the Journal of the American College of Surgeons.

The abstract should be submitted in line with the specifications of the ASC trauma program and should describe original research in trauma, critical care or injury prevention with topics categorised as either basic laboratory research or clinical investigation. Presentations will be judged on originality; background/theory; methods; results; relevance – potential impact and presentation style and quality.

At the time of the ASC abstract submission, applicants will be asked if they would like to be considered for the *Damian McMahon Trauma Research Travel Grant*, and which of the eligibility criteria (see below) applies.

### \*Eligibility Criteria

- A resident hospital medical officer or house surgeon who has successfully completed the Generic Surgical Science Examination (GSSE) exam but has not yet applied to Surgical Education and Training (SET)
- A resident hospital medical officer or house surgeon who has registered to apply for SET training and has been confirmed as eligible to apply
- A resident hospital medical officer or house surgeon who has applied for SET training within the current year
- A resident hospital medical officer or house surgeon who has been accepted but is yet to commence a SET program
- A SET Trainee
- A RACS Fellow who has been accepted into the Post-Fellowship Education and Training (PFET) program in Trauma or any other surgical discipline
- A non-accredited Trauma Fellow

NB: Eligibility for ACS-COT (American College of Surgeons Committees on Trauma) competition: abstracts submitted may have been previously presented but not published as full papers in any peer-reviewed journal.

### [Further information](#)

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