



## **CREATE Hope Scientific Fellowship in Pulmonary Fibrosis (PF) Research**

An initiative of the Centre for Research Excellence in Pulmonary Fibrosis,  
supported by Lung Foundation Australia's Hope Research Fund

### **Background**

**The CREATE Hope Scientific Fellowship in Pulmonary Fibrosis (PF) will support scientific research into pulmonary fibrosis in Australia.**

The Centre of Research Excellence in Pulmonary Fibrosis (the CRE-PF) will allocate a total of one fellowship for \$75,000 over the period of one year. The Fellowship is open to early career researchers (ECRs) who have graduated with a PhD or equivalent within the last ten (10) years, relative to opportunity, of the closing date for this application; or have reasonable expectation that they will have submitted their completed PhD to the university by December 31, 2021. Fellows must currently be working in an area directly related to PF research.

Relevant domains of research inquiry include any form of population, laboratory, genetic or tissue-based research. The Fellowship will be allocated for broad basic or applied scientific research including laboratory or genetic research, health economics or population research.

Leverage of the funding in order to extend the value or duration of the research investment by Lung Foundation Australia by securing matching funding from the host institution is encouraged and will be regarded favourably. Proposed research which aligns with the research priorities of the CRE-PF will likewise be regarded favourably. Researchers whose planned projects include collaborations between scientists and clinicians are encouraged to apply.

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

### **Terms and Conditions**

1. The CREATE Hope Scientific Fellowship is subject to the terms and conditions of the Lung Foundation Australia Research Grants & Awards Policy.
2. The recipient is required to be a CREATE Fellow.
3. The applicant must be a resident in Australia throughout the period of the Fellowship. The funded research must be conducted in Australia.
4. The recipient is required to be up to ten years postdoctoral, relative to opportunity, or have reasonable expectation that they will have submitted their completed PhD to the university by December 31, 2021.
5. The duration of the CREATE Hope Scientific Fellowship is twelve (12) calendar months from the date of commencement.
6. Grant funds (the Award) are paid upon notice of commencement of the Fellowship.
7. If the Grant is not taken up within twelve (12) calendar months the Award will be forfeited.
8. 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.



9. The recipient is required to submit the results of the research for possible presentation at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the TSANZ, the Australasian Rare Lung Disease Short Course or an equivalent international meeting within 12 months of completion of the funding.
10. Any publication/s arising from research funded through the Fellowship are required to acknowledge the CRE-PF and Lung Foundation Australia as sources of funding, as per the Research Grants & Awards Policy and the CRE-PF Guidelines. The award can be cited as the *Centre of Research Excellence in Pulmonary Fibrosis and Lung Foundation Australia Hope Research Fund Scientific Fellowship in Pulmonary Fibrosis Research 2021*.
11. In the event of there being no suitable applicants, the Fellowship may not be awarded.

## Applications

The CRE-PF Steering Committee will assess all applications. Applications will be assessed using the following scoring system:

Criterion	Weight
Academic Track Record of Researcher (relative to opportunity)	40%
Importance and Quality of Research	30%
Research Supervisor and Research Environment	15%
Justification of how this funding would make a difference to your PF research career	15%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>



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APPLICATION FORM**

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

Regarding CREATE Fellow eligibility criteria, please refer to the [CRE-PF website](#) to ensure you satisfy the conditions for application.

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. Any part of the application that exceeds the page limits will not be reviewed

Applications should be submitted to Kate Christian, CREATE Coordinator via [create@cre-pf.org.au](mailto:create@cre-pf.org.au). We request your application documents to be saved as a single PDF file before sending.

**Deadline for Submissions**

Email submission to be dated no later than **September 30, 2021**. Applications submitted after the submission date will not be accepted.

**Applicant Details**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Dr</b>	<b>Mr</b>	<b>Mrs</b>	<b>Ms</b>	<b>Miss</b>	<b>Other</b>	
<b>First Name</b>							
<b>Last Name</b>							
<b>Postal Address</b>							
<b>Suburb</b>				<b>State</b>			<b>Postcode</b>
<b>Contact</b>	<b>T:</b>		<b>M:</b>		<b>F:</b>		
	<b>Email:</b>						
<b>Signature</b>					<b>Date:</b>		



**Principal Supervisor / Research Group Lead**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Dr</b>	<b>Mr</b>	<b>Mrs</b>	<b>Ms</b>	<b>Miss</b>	<b>Other:</b>
<b>First Name</b>						
<b>Last Name</b>						
<b>Institution</b>						
<b>Postal Address</b>						
	<b>Suburb</b>			<b>State</b>		<b>Postcode</b>
<b>Contact</b>	<b>T:</b>		<b>M:</b>		<b>F:</b>	
	<b>Email:</b>					
<b>Signature</b>						<b>Date:</b>
<b>Signature Head of Department</b>						<b>Date:</b>
<b>Name Head of Department</b>						



## Proposed Research Plan

### 1. Research Title

### 2. Layman's description of research, including significance (*one page maximum*)

### 3. Track record/CV of Applicant (*two page maximum*) relative to opportunity

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 related research field and supervision (*half page maximum*)

### 5. Justification of how this funding would make a difference to your PF research career (*half page maximum*)

Briefly outline your career development objectives for the next five years and how the proposed funding will foster these, particularly with respect to PF research. If relevant, describe any collaborations that will be facilitated by your research.

### 6. If there is a possibility that a successful application will be able to attract matching funding, please include a letter of support from your institution.

### 7. Please briefly outline how you would expect to use the \$75,000 award (noting it is for salary only), e.g. "to support 0.6 FTE research position over 12 months"

Preference may be given to applicants for whom the funding will enable continued pursuit of a PF research career; where other salary funding to support research time is unavailable.



## Applicant 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 CRE-PF Guidelines 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)	
3.	Applicant details and Research Plan sections are completed	
4.	Supervisor track record is included (one-half page maximum)	
5.	Signature of Principal Supervisor	
6.	Evidence of PhD conferral or letter of support on letterhead from Supervisor outlining reasonable expectation of submission of completed PhD to the university by December 31, 2021	
7.	Letter of Support on letterhead from Research Institution to contribute matched or greater funds is included (if applicable)	
7.	Evidence of Lung Foundation Australia membership (Health Professional Category) is included <b>or</b> you agree to provide if successful	

## Timeline

Date / time	
July 31 2021	Open to application
September 30 2021 5pm (AEST)	Applications closed
End November 2021	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 during TSANZ's Annual Scientific Meeting, VIC

## Enquiries

**For application enquiries:**

**Kate Christian** - CREATE Training Coordinator, Centre of Research Excellence in Pulmonary Fibrosis

**Email:** [create@cre-pf.org.au](mailto:create@cre-pf.org.au)