



AUSTRALASIAN SOCIETY FOR BIOMATERIALS AND TISSUE ENGINEERING (ASBTE) 2021-2022 CONFERENCE TRAVEL GRANTS, GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

Announcement

The ASBTE will fund Travel Grants **up to \$500.00** each for postgraduate research students and early career researchers to attend the ASBTE Annual Conference, Melbourne Connect, VIC, 20-22 April 2022. This document summarises the eligibility criteria, guidelines for the application and application submission deadlines. The major objectives of these travel grants are to provide students with:

- Financial assistance to attend the ASBTE Annual Conference, to present their research, network with peers and develop new collaborations or enhance existing collaborations;
- The opportunity to interact with groups outside their specific research area.

These grants are available solely for the purpose of attending the ASBTE Annual Conference and will not be awarded for any other conference or meeting. The decisions on the Grants will be made by the ASBTE Committee and may vary at the Committee's discretion.

Guidelines

Eligibility

- Full-time postgraduate student currently enrolled at a recognised higher education provider, or early-career researcher with less than 3 years of post-doctoral experience between date of award of PhD and date of application for grant.
- Current, paid, financial member of ASBTE for the 2021 & 2022 calendar years
- Applicants should be enrolled/employed in Australia or New Zealand, but applications from expatriate ASBTE members will also be considered.
- Accepted oral or poster presentation at the conference
- INCOMPLETE/LATE APPLICATIONS INELIGIBLE

Any risks associated with travel are not the responsibility of ASBTE. It is the responsibility of the Student/ECR and their Supervisor to ensure compliance with their host University/Institute travel policy.

Application

At the time of application, applicants must submit online:

- (i) A completed application form [here](https://bit.ly/3lvrg1l) (<https://bit.ly/3lvrg1l>)
- (ii) Evidence of study/employment and PhD completion date (if applicable)
- (iii) ASBTE membership receipt for 2021 & 2022
- (iv) Evidence of abstract acceptance

If any of these items are missing, your application will be deemed ineligible. The conference travel awards are intended to help those who have difficulty attending the conference through shortage of funds. The decisions on the awards will be made by the ASBTE Committee and may vary in amount at the discretion of the Committee. Application forms are provided on the ASBTE website (www.asbte.org).

Submission Details

Applications should be submitted **no later than 5 pm (AEST) on Friday 28th January 2022**.

All documentation, including relevant membership receipts, must be supplied at the time of application. If any of the items are missing, your application will be deemed ineligible.

Please do not submit applications by post or email.

Acknowledgement

Any poster or oral presentations and any publications resulting from the work must acknowledge the funding obtained from ASBTE.

Report

A short report detailing the activities undertaken during the visit and any outcomes from the visit will be required within 2 months of returning from the visit. The format should include **one paragraph to a half page executive summary and details of actual expenditure but is otherwise flexible**. The report should be no longer than 3 pages and the executive summary will be posted on the ASBTE website and/or in the ASBTE Newsletter.

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