

## Call for Nominations: ASBTE Emerging Investigator Award 2025

The Committee of the Australasian Society for Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering invites nominations for the ASBTE Emerging Investigator Award. This award recognises an early-to-mid career researcher, who has demonstrated outstanding research contributions and potential in regards to a future distinguished career in the field of biomaterials and/or tissue engineering. This award will be given every second year.

## **Nomination Process and Selection Criteria**

Any member of the Society in good standing may nominate candidates for the award. The deadline for the nomination is **14 March 2025**.

Selection criteria include:

- 1. The early career researcher must be a current member of the ASBTE and must have been a continuous member of the society for a minimum of two full years prior to the submission deadline.
- 2. The nominee must be less than ten years post PhD at the close of nomination. (considering career interruption)

The award is determined by a selection committee appointed by the ASBTE Committee and chaired by the Society President.

The following information must accompany each nomination:

- 1. Name and affiliation of the nominating ASBTE member, and one international member of the Biomaterials field.
- 2. A 1 page (maximum) statement from the nominating member and international expert describing the reasons for the nomination.
- 3. Name, contact details, and affiliation of the nominee.
- 4. A copy of the PhD certificate of the nominee showing the date awarded.
- 5. A 1 page (maximum) personal statement from the nominee articulating their vision and/or plans for the biomaterials and tissue engineering field in the future.
- 6. A 3 page (maximum) Curriculum Vitae of the nominee, including a brief description of the main field of professional activity, memberships of professional organisations, awards already received, a list of publications and patents, a list of plenary/keynote lectures at international conferences, a list of contributions to technology translation and commercialisation, and other relevant information.

**The Award:** The award consists of an inscribed medal and a cheque for \$1,000 and will be presented at the next ASBTE annual meeting, where the awardee will be invited to make a keynote speech on their research.

Please send nominations addressing the selection criteria above to the attention of the ASBTE President Prof Jelena Rnjak-Kovacina (j.rnjak-kovacina@unsw.edu.au) on or before 14 March 2025.