



Australasian Virology Society Rising Star Award 2017 (previously YIA)

Purpose: The purpose of the AVS9 Rising Star Award is to acknowledge outstanding early career researchers who have made seminal contributions to the virology discipline and who demonstrate strong potential to become future leaders in virology research.

Eligibility: The AVS9 Rising Star Award is open to early career researchers with not more than 5 years of continuous postdoctoral experience, with either doctoral or post-doctoral studies undertaken in Australia/New Zealand. Career breaks due to illness, maternity leave or carer responsibilities will not count towards the 5 years. Awardees who have won the Young investigator Award in the past are not eligible.

Requested information includes:

- A copy of the abstract submitted for presentation at AVS9 including all authors and affiliations. Applicant must be the presenting author (highlighted by underlining name). Data should largely comprise new and unpublished results.
- A current CV and bibliography (2 page maximum, at least 11 point font) including conference presentations (when listing previous presentations at conferences in your CV please indicate if you were the presenting author).
- Evidence of when and where PhD was awarded (e.g. copy of letter from University indicating when the candidates PhD was conferred).
- Statement outlining any periods of relevant career breaks (maximum 1 paragraph)

Please submit application as a single PDF document with requested information in the following order: Abstract, CV, Letter from University, and Statement of career breaks (if relevant).

Name PDF file: Applicant Surname_AVS9RSA.

Judging Criteria: The Local Organizing Committee will decide based on the quality of the presentation at AVS9, the track record of the applicant with respect to opportunity, and evidence of emerging leadership in the field.

Announcement: The winner will be announced at a function during AVS9. The winner is expected to make themselves available for photography/media, and details will be publicly acknowledged on the AVS website. Winners will be asked to provide a paragraph, for posting on the AVS website, about their work and how the award has helped them achieve their goals.

The Award: \$1000 and a Certificate of Achievement.

Closing date: 8th September 2017. Late applications will not be considered.

Submissions to be made directly to AVS Secretary: A/Prof Peter Speck (peter.speck@flinders.edu.au)

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