

**Health Research Excellence Awards 2019**  
The Dunedin School of Medicine and Southern District Health Board

**Best Published Paper by a Masters or PhD Student**

This award is for the best paper published by a Masters or PhD Student. Its purpose is to encourage young researchers completing their Masters or PhD to produce and present a publication which will enhance their research portfolios. The application may include publications co-authored with researchers having more extensive portfolios.

The successful applicant will receive \$2,000 towards the cost of presenting the work at a conference attended by the student.

**To be eligible** for this award the applicant must be (or have been) enrolled at the University of Otago in a Masters or PhD programme and be supervised primarily by a staff member within the DSM or SDHB. The research paper must have:

- arisen from the work of the Masters or PhD
- been published not later than one year after thesis submission
- been accepted for publication between 1 January 2018 and 28 February 2019

**Applications should include:**

- a cover letter outlining: the applicant's eligibility for the award, the applicant's contribution to this paper, the status of the journal within the discipline, the impact factor of the journal
- evidence of the paper's acceptance for publication
- a copy of the paper
- a letter of support from the supervisor (1 page max.)

*Please note: all applications should be sent in electronic form, along with one original hard copy (A4, no staples).*

**Applications will be assessed on the following criteria:**

- the quality of the paper
- contribution of the student to the paper
- impact factor of the journal in which it is published
- the status the journal has within the discipline

The applications will be assessed by a panel appointed by Health Research South.

**Applications should be submitted by 4pm on 18 March 2019 to**

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