

# Melbourne Brain Symposium 2016

## MENDELSONN STUDENT LECTURE

### GUIDELINES

*Applications are invited for the Inaugural Mendelsohn Student Lecture to be held at the Melbourne Brain Symposium 2016 on Thursday 13 October.*

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Inaugural Mendelsohn Student Lecture has been established in 2016 in honour of Frederick Mendelsohn, AO FAA, Emeritus Professor of the University of Melbourne and past Director of the Howard Florey Institute and R Douglas Wright Professor of Experimental Physiology and Medicine from 1997 to 2009. He held a Personal Chair in Medicine at the University of Melbourne until 1996 and during this time was the Scientific Director of the Positron Emission Tomography Centre, Austin Hospital.

The Inaugural Mendelsohn Student Lecture will be presented at the Melbourne Brain Symposium.

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this prestigious award is to recognise and honour an outstanding student in the Neurosciences, and provide them with the platform to deliver a lecture to communicate the outcomes of their graduate research to the Neuroscience community, alongside presentations delivered by some of the most eminent scientists, internationally, and from within Australia.

#### **AWARD**

The student selected to present the 2016 Inaugural Mendelsohn Student Lecture will receive a prize of \$500 and a certification of their award as 'Mendelsohn Student Lecturer 2016'. The student will provide their 20 minute lecture and 5 minutes for questions at the Melbourne Brain Symposium on Thursday 13 October 2016.

The two runner-ups will receive \$200 and \$100 respectively and certification of their awards as 'First/Second Runner-Up of Inaugural Mendelsohn Student Lecturer 2016'.

Emeritus Professor Frederick Mendelsohn will be present to award all three recipients of these awards at the Melbourne Brain Symposium on Thursday 13 October 2016.

#### **REQUIREMENTS**

Students must self-nominate with independent support of their nomination to be provided by their primary supervisor. Applicants must be a Higher Degree student (PhD or equivalent) of the University of Melbourne or the Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health and be studying a field related to the Neurosciences and have/or plan to submit their thesis during 2016.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

1. The student is to complete the student application form provided
2. Submit this application form to your student supervisor and provide them with the Supervisor proforma to complete.
3. The Supervisor form must be completed by the student's supervisor and submitted directly and confidentially to [abugeja@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:abugeja@unimelb.edu.au) by Monday 18 July 2016.
4. Students must submit their application form and CV in a single, high quality PDF format or word format to [abugeja@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:abugeja@unimelb.edu.au) by Monday 18 July 2016.

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Supervisors may be contacted to ascertain further information on students.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

All applicants will be assessed and ranked against the Selection Criteria listed below and applications should highlight the student's achievements pertinent to these criteria.

- Student's knowledge and contribution to the research featured in their abstract
- Relevance of topic to the Neurosciences
- Quality and impact of the work including evidence of that impact in the scientific literature and in oral communications at scientific conferences
- Aptitude of student in communicating their message verbally

## TIMELINE:

8 April 2016	Applications open
17 July 2016	Applications close
27 July 2016	Top three applicants are notified and notification of outcomes to unsuccessful applicants
TBC (August)	Top three applicants present their proposed presentations to the selection panel
TBC (August)	Mendelsohn Student lecturer and two runners-up selected
13 October 2016	Melbourne Brain Symposium including the Mendelsohn Student lecturer