

# The Lafferty Distinguished Service Award

The inaugural TSANZ/Lafferty Award was presented at the TSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) in 2016 and is named in memory of Kevin Lafferty, an Australian pioneer in transplantation biology who discovered that co-stimulation was required for T cell activation and graft rejection. The award is presented every 2 years to recognise a member of the society who has made significant and outstanding contributions to the advancement of transplantation in Australia and New Zealand and to the TSANZ.

Lafferty's strategic vision aligned with those of TSANZ, namely to:

- Encourage the development of young investigators as independent scientists
- Strengthen existing research activities and introduce new research activities that will maintain the society's leadership in transplantation
- Enhance student teaching and training
- Develop links between basic science and clinical studies

### <u>Eligibility</u>

- This is a late career award and applicants may be scientists or clinicians who have made a significant contribution aligned with the TSANZ/Lafferty strategic vision.
- Applicants must be financial members of TSANZ for at least 5 years at the time of applying
- Members are only eligible to receive the award once

### **Nomination**

- A call for nominations will go out to all TSANZ members at least 3 months prior to the selection date
- TSANZ members are encouraged to nominate worthy fellow TSANZ members *however* candidates can self-nominate

## **Application Process**

Included in the application must be the following:

- 1) Application for Award consisting of: (3 pages maximum):
  - > A summary specifically addressing Lafferty's strategic vision
  - > The applicant's significant achievements and impact on the field of Transplantation
  - > The applicant's future vision of success in Transplantation
- 2) Curriculum Vitae (2 pages maximum) including the following information:
  - Career summary
  - Education and Training
  - Positions, honours and awards
  - Publications
  - Research support and/or other scholastic achievements
- 3) Relative to Opportunity Statement (if applicable)

*Important Note*: Application format. Margins must be 2cm. Font must be Times New Roman and no less than 12 point. Line spacing single. Header/Footer may be outside the margins.

A panel of judges will be appointed which will include TSANZ SPEC and members of TSANZ Council. This panel will report to Council and recommend the highest ranked successful applicant.

The winner will be announced at the TSANZ Annual Dinner during the ASM, receive a plaque/medal and asked to give a brief speech to highlight their career to date.

Applications must be lodged by emailing a single PDF file (MS word files will also be accepted) to the TSANZ SPEC by the closing date at <u>tsanz@tsanz.com.au</u>

#### **Proposed Selection Criteria**

Selection criteria for this award is focused on an established leader in the field. The judging will be based on career achievements, alignment with Kevin Lafferty's vision and the applicant's future vision of transplant success.

Please take relative to opportunity (including any career disruptions) and information within the CV for selection criteria 1. The aim of this is to provide equitable judging criteria for all applicants.

Selection Criteria		Weighting	Examples
1	Career achievements	30	<ul> <li>Publications</li> <li>Awards/Prizes/Fellowships</li> <li>Grants received</li> <li>Conference and seminar invitations</li> </ul>
2	Contribution to Transplantation	30	<ul> <li>Applicant's impact on the field of transplantation</li> </ul>
3	Alignment with Lafferty's vision	20	<ul> <li>Leadership experience and mentoring</li> <li>Introduction of new research activities</li> <li>Teaching and training experience</li> <li>Knowledge sharing</li> <li>Linkages between basic and clinical studies</li> <li>Outreach activities with lay community</li> </ul>
4	Future vision of success	20	<ul> <li>Articulation of a clear vision highlighting how their leadership is important to the process</li> <li>Involvement in projects outside of their scope/expertise</li> <li>Engagement within their institute/field</li> <li>Passion and willingness to lead</li> </ul>
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