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Talo Computational Biology Talent Accelerator Program Travel Grant

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the John Curtin School of Medical Research (JCSMR) ('the School') in the ANU College of Health and Medicine (CHM) ('the College') may offer up to six awards known as the Talo Computational Biology Talent Accelerator Program Travel Grant ('the Award').

Funding for this Award has been provided by Taiyang Zhang and Loong Wang through the JCSMR Talo Computational Biology Talent Accelerator program.

The objective of the Award is to fund short-term research placements in industry and external academic institutions to enable recipients engaged in computational biology affiliated with JCSMR to develop further research and translational expertise relevant to their field of study.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in the letter of offer. The Award will be paid as a one-off payment, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

3. DURATION

The duration of the Award will be as a one-off payment.

4. PROGRAM LEAVE

Periods of program leave must be taken in accordance with the *Research Awards Rule*.

(a) Unpaid Program Leave

A recipient may apply for unpaid program leave on personal grounds. If the leave does not exceed a total period of 12 months during the duration of the Award, the recipient may resume the Award at the completion of the leave.

Program leave exceeding a total of 12 months will only be considered where there are exceptional circumstances beyond the control of the recipient and must be approved by the Delegated Authority in the College.

Unpaid program leave is aggregated and awarded only in one-week blocks for a full-time recipient and two-week blocks for a part-time recipient.

A recipient must apply for unpaid program and scholarship leave by completing the relevant section of the Manage my Degree - HDR form in ISIS.

5. ELIGIBILITY

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The Award is available each year to a continuing domestic¹ or international² ANU PhD student or Early Career Researcher (up to five years post-PhD) carrying out computational biology research affiliated with JCSMR.

Travel or research must be undertaken in the year the Award is granted.

6. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applications are available all year round, with application and instructions advertised on the University scholarship webpage.

7. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of:

- (a) Meeting the eligibility criteria for the Award; and
- (b) effective use of funds; and
- (c) discipline research interests.

Preference may be given to applicants demonstrating a collaboration between JCSMR, CHM and the College of Engineering, Computing and Cybernetics (CECC).

The selection committee will be chaired by the Head of the Centre for Computational Biomedical Sciences and will include at least two academic staff members.

Applications are open all year round and will be assessed by the selection committee as they are received.

The selection committee reserves the right to make no award if it considers the application or applications do not have sufficient merit. The selection committee may also vary the number of Awards and/or offer the Award at other times in exceptional circumstances or based on the standard of applications or students (where funds allow).

8. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient is permitted to hold other scholarships, awards, grants, and bursaries concurrently with this Award, provided the terms of the other scholarship permits this also.

However, a recipient may not receive another allowance, award, grant, or bursary to undertake the proposed program, which exceeds the value of 75 percent of the Award stipend.

9. DEFERMENT

The Award cannot be deferred.

10. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

¹ A student who is an Australian citizen, a New Zealand citizen, the holder of an Australian Permanent Resident visa or the holder of an Australian humanitarian visa

² A student who is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen or the holder of Australian permanent resident status, and is required to hold a visa to study in Australia and liable for international student fees (ISF) payable to the University either by the student or a sponsor

A recipient of this Award is required to remain enrolled full-time in an eligible program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, or remain employed at the Australian National University.

11. CESSATION OF AWARD

The Award ceases or should be surrendered:

- (a) if an awardee no longer meets the eligibility requirements;
- (b) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 3;
- (c) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- (d) if a recipient fails to enrol as required in section 5;
- (e) if a recipient changes their program, course, or employment status without permission to retain the Award;
- (f) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the *Discipline Rule (2021)* and *Academic Integrity Rule (2021)*;

whichever is earliest.

12. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

A recipient who does not complete the full placement duration may be required to repay the funds.

13. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The Award is based on the information provided to the University. The Award may be withdrawn at any stage if incorrect, false, or misleading information is provided or relevant information is withheld. This includes circumstances where the false information is unrelated to the assessment for the Award.

14. VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis, section 7 of these Conditions of Award may be varied by the Dean on the recommendation of the chair of the selection committee.

15. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice (if applicable) regarding their own individual circumstances. Awards may be regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis.

For information on how the Award may affect Centrelink benefits, see this website

<http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/>

16. PUBLICITY

The recipient may be requested to participate in publicity for the Award from time to time. This may include publicity in the country of residence or of schooling. Recipients may be contacted for an interview and photograph. The University may also publicise the Award by publishing the names of the recipients. Arrangements for such publicity will be made

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through the College of Health and Medicine or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

Recipients will also be required to acknowledge funding from the Award should the outcomes lead to publication.

17. CONTACT WITH THE AWARD OWNER

All enquiries regarding the Award and changes, issues, or further information after acceptance should be made to:

John Curtin School of Medical Research

College of Health and Medicine

Jcsmr.hdr.sa@anu.edu.au

18. DISCLAIMER

The recipient of the Award is subject to *The Australian National University Act 1991* as amended, and to the Statutes, Rules, Regulations and Resolutions of the University.

The Award does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.

These Conditions of Award should be read in conjunction with the *Research Awards Rule* and Higher Degree Research Policy and Procedures available from the [ANU website](#).

19. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

HDR Legislation, policies and procedures - <https://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/assessments-exams/hdr-policies-procedures>

ANU Academic Integrity Rule - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2021L00997>

ANU Discipline Rule - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2021L00998>

ANU Student Code of Conduct <https://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/program-management/student-code-of-conduct>