

## **Shorland Medal 2020 application guidelines**



The Shorland Medal is awarded in recognition of major and continued contribution to basic or applied research that has added significantly to scientific understanding or resulted in significant benefits to society.

The Shorland Medal is named in recognition of the service to New Zealand science of Francis Brian Shorland, OBE, FRSNZ, PhD, DSc (Liverpool), DSc (VUW). Brian Shorland was employed by the Agricultural Chemistry Laboratory and DSIR 1927-1969, latterly as Director of the Fats Laboratory. He was New Zealand's leading researcher on lipids, his work being internationally recognised, with a significant contribution to the modern understanding of this important group of compounds. He

was a staunch supporter of the NZAS, serving on the Council and as President, and for many years was the Editor of NZ Science Review. His many awards include the Hector Medal of the Royal Society (1955), the Order of the British Empire (1959), and the Marsden Medal of the Association of Scientists (1970).

Applications for the Shorland Medal can be made by an individual Scientist or by a Science Team Leader on behalf of a Science Team of up to five members.

To apply, please follow the application guidelines below and email the completed file to <a href="mailto:awards@scientists.org.nz">awards@scientists.org.nz</a> AND to <a href="mailto:buchananp@LandcareResearch.co.nz">buchananp@LandcareResearch.co.nz</a> by 31 July 2020.

These and other NZAS Awards application guidelines can also be found at <a href="mailto:www.scientists.org.nz/Awards">www.scientists.org.nz/Awards</a>

Name of Applicant or Team Leader (including title and position in organisation)
Postal address of Applicant or Team Leader
Email address of Applicant or Team Leader
Phone number of Applicant or Team Leader

## For a Team Application

- The names (with titles) of all other team members.
- An indication of the structure of the team and the contribution made by each team member.
- Where the Team is in an employment, contractual or commercial relationship of some sort, the nature
  of the relationship should be briefly detailed. For example, the team could be independent scientists
  collaborating on a project, scientists employed for some funded project in a CRI, or have a supervisor /
  postgraduate or graduate research student relationship within a University.

**Citation** of about 200 words, summarizing the science underlying the application. Examples of the citations for previous awards are on the NZAS website.

**Statement** of 2000 – 3000 words in support of the application, explaining the significance of the applicant's or team's contributions relevant to this award. This should be written in plain language, suitable for judges with a general scientific background; include no more than 20 references.

Curriculum vitae of the Applicant or Team Leader.



For Team Applications only brief curriculum vitae of other members are required.

## You may also include:

- Up to three statements in support of the application by other scientists
- Names and contact details of people knowledgeable in the field of the application, from whom the
  Judges may seek advice. Any relationship between the applicant and supporters or possible referees
  should be declared.

## **Notes**

- Any New Zealand citizen or resident may apply for this award.
- Applications for this award made in previous years remain valid for five years from the date of submission, but it is expected that applications are updated annually to remain current.
- In the event that the Judge(s) determine that they cannot distinguish between applications on the basis of scientific merit then preference will be given to members of the New Zealand Association of Scientists
- If using mail for a portion of your application, please ensure it arrives by **31 July 2020** and is addressed to:

Peter Buchanan, Awards Administrator, New Zealand Association of Scientists, C/- Manaaki Whenua - Landcare Research, Private Bag 92170, Auckland 1142

Send applications to: awards@scientists.org.nz AND to buchananp@LandcareResearch.co.nz

Note that in 2019 some applicants received bounceback email notifications from the awards@scientists.org.nz address, so the second address is provided to minimise the chance of non-receipt.