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## Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation/ Macquarie Group Foundation

### Diabetes Research Innovation Award

#### **Description**

The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) and the Macquarie Group Foundation (MGF) continue their support of excellence and innovation in research in the field of type 1 diabetes through the annual JDRF/Macquarie Group Foundation Diseases Research Innovation Awards.

These Awards recognise excellence and innovation in medical research by exceptional researchers in Australia contributing to the search for prevention and/or a cure for type 1 diabetes and its complications. Awards will be provided in two categories: Early Career Researcher and a separate Established Researcher award.

The winners of each Award will receive a plaque and a cash prize of \$5,000 to be used for the advancement of their research career in the field of type 1 diabetes.

#### **Eligibility**

All eligible applicants should:

1. be working in the field of health and medical research at an approved institution or organisation in Australia at the time of application;
2. have the research conducted in an Australian medical research department or institute; and
3. be appropriately qualified (PhD, MBBS or equivalent)

If the relevant qualifications were earned within a 15 years period prior to submission of the application, the nominee is eligible for the Early Career Researcher award. If the qualifications were awarded more than 15 years earlier, the nominee is eligible for the Established Researcher award

#### **Criteria**

The committee seeks to identify two outstanding researchers with demonstrated innovation in a high impact research study relevant to type 1 diabetes, with a particular emphasis on research outcomes published or patented in the 2008 calendar year.

All applications will be evaluated on the following criteria:

4. **Innovation:** Explanation of the nature of the innovative or unique approach or direction of their research and the importance of these findings to progress in type 1 diabetes research;
5. **Importance:** Demonstrated importance to JDRF's Research Pathways to a Cure (and/or prevention): Autoimmunity, Replacement, Regeneration, Complications and/or Metabolic Control;
6. **Impact:** Evidence of research excellence, such as publications or patents in 2008 calendar year, supported by at least one written reference;

#### **Selection Process**

Eligible applications will be assessed by a panel of eminent medical researchers. The panel will include a lay representation drawn from the type 1 diabetes community.

Awardees should be prepared to discuss research achievements with the public and media.

#### **Closing Date**

Applications and supporting material from referees must be postmarked or emailed (documents in *rtf* or *pdf* formats are preferred), no later than **Friday February 13th, 2009**, and sent to:

JDRF (JDRF/MGF Diabetes Research Innovative Award)  
PO BOX 183  
St Leonards, NSW 1590

Or by email: [mgfaward@jdrf.org.au](mailto:mgfaward@jdrf.org.au)



## APPLICATION FORM

### 2009 JDRF/Macquarie Group Foundation Diabetes Research Innovation Award

**Name:** .....

**Award Category:**  Early Career Researcher       Established Researcher

**Postal Address:** .....  
**(Institution)**

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**Telephone:** Work ..... **Fax:** .....

**Email:** .....

**Referees:**

**(1) Name:** .....

**Address:** .....

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**Telephone:** .....

**(2) Name:** .....

**Address:** .....

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**Telephone:** .....

Referees should provide, **in one page**, support for the applicant in terms of the criteria outlined above.

**Please note that it is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that referee's reports (which may be emailed as an attachment (rtf, doc, pdf) are received by the closing date at the address given on page 2.**

**Applicant's Academic Qualifications:**

Higher degree (PhD or MB BS, etc) .....

Year conferred.....

Institution where degree was conferred.....

**Please attach current, concise Curriculum Vitae of no more than five (5) pages.**

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## APPLICATION

*Provide a **2 page lay description** of your innovative contribution to the area relevant to the type 1 diabetes that was published or awarded a patent in the 2008 calendar year. Applications are judged largely on innovative aspect of the science, potential impact of your project to the advancement of your research area, and importance to the type 1 diabetes community*

- A. Innovation:** Explain the nature of the innovative or unique approach or direction of your research and the importance of these findings to progress in type 1 diabetes research
  
- B. Importance:** Demonstrate the importance of your project to JDRF's Research Pathways to a Cure (and/or prevention): Autoimmunity, Replacement, Regeneration, Complications and/or Metabolic Control
  
- C. Impact:** Provide an evidence of research excellence of your project, such as publications or patents in 2008 calendar year, supported by at least one written reference