

# Twins Research Australia Travel Grant Scheme



## Purpose

The Twins Research Australia (TRA) Travel Grant Scheme aims to encourage the growth and development of twin research in Australia by:

- Supporting the training and development of Australian researchers in the methodology and practice of studies involving TRA twins by offering financial assistance to attend TRA workshops and events.
- Presenting and promoting TRA based twin research studies at scientific conferences.

The Scheme will operate as part of TRA's obligations under its Centre of Research Excellence Grant funding, awarded for the period 2015 to 2019.

The Travel Grant Scheme awards partial funding for relevant travel to successful applicants with a total of approximately \$10,000 allocated.

## Application Rounds

One application round is announced each year. Applications close 6 weeks after announcement. No extensions are offered.

## Eligibility

Applications are competitive and open to all Australian-based researchers who involve TRA twins in their project.

Applicants are required to undertake the travel within 12 months of receiving the grant.

Applications for retrospective grants are accepted, providing the travel was undertaken within the previous 12 months.

## Selection of successful candidates is based on the following criteria:

- The benefit to the researcher's learning and career in research involving TRA twins.
- The benefit to TRA.
- How the research promotes the benefit of studies involving TRA twins to the broader research community.
- The availability of other funding to the recipient.
- Preference will be given to Early Career
- Researchers (up to 5 years post-doc).

Successful applications are determined by the Management of TRA: Director, Deputy Director, and TRA Manager.

The Research Travel Grant Scheme awards partial funding only. The amount of funding awarded and number of successful applications is at the discretion of the Director and Deputy Director. Travel grants must be claimed within 12 months.

Successful applicants are required to submit a Travel Report detailing professional and personal gains from the funded travel and to provide evidence (copies of receipts) of travel incurred expenditure. This is published on the TRA website: [www.twins.org.au](http://www.twins.org.au)

### Method

Applicants must submit a completed Application for the 'Twins Research Australia Travel Grant Scheme' and a current Curriculum Vitae by the closing date.

Applications can be submitted by email or mail to:

Email: [info@twins.org.au](mailto:info@twins.org.au)  
Freecall: 1800 037 021  
Fax: +61 3 9349 5815  
Post: Twins Research Australia, University of Melbourne  
Level 3, 207 Bouverie Street  
Carlton VIC 3010

Applicants will be sent a letter/email confirming that TRA has received their application.

Applicants will be informed of their success approximately 1 month after applications close.

The wider TRA community will be informed of successful applicants by email and web announcement.

Reimbursement is paid on invoice from the applicant's own organisation/institute together with evidence (copies of receipts) of expenditure towards the travel.

Upon completion of their travel, successful recipients are required to submit a brief 1-2 page Travel Report to the TRA detailing professional and personal gains from the funded experience for publication on the TRA website.

### Further Information

If you have any questions or require further information please contact TRA on:

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Travel/conference/workshop reports received from each of the recipients are posted on TRA's website when available at [www.twins.org.au](http://www.twins.org.au)