

INAUGURAL BEST PUBLISHED PAPER AWARD 2025

1. PURPOSE

To recognise the significant contribution made by students and Early to Mid-Career Researchers (EMCR) to cardiovascular research in Victoria and to raise the profile of students and EMCRs in the Victorian Cardiovascular Research Network.

Awards will be presented for the best published papers in each of the following research areas:

- Basic Science
- Public Health
- Clinical

Each category will have two award levels:

- PhD Student
- Early to Mid-Career Researcher (<10 years post-PhD)

Awards will be presented at the inaugural Victorian CVRN EMCR Showcase later this year.

1. ENTRY CRITERIA

- An original cardiovascular disease (including stroke) journal research paper. Literature reviews, letters, editorials, book chapters, conference papers or non-peer review communications are not eligible.
- The paper must have been published since the launch of the Vic CVRN: from December 2023 to now
- The paper must be published in a peer-reviewed journal, or accepted for publication and in press
- You must be first/equal first or last/equal last author
- Only one paper can be submitted per applicant
- Completed application form must be submitted along with a PDF copy of the paper to viccvrn@heartfoundation.org.au by 5pm, Friday September 5th 2025.

2. JUDGING CRITERIA

All applications and accompanying papers will be reviewed by members of the Vic CVRN Operational Steering Committee against the following criteria:

- Purpose and significance of the research
- Quality and standing of the journal in which the work is published (or submitted)
- Current and potential impact of the research

Please Note: It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all information provided is accurate and that the application is complete. Incomplete applications may be deemed ineligible and late applications will not be accepted. Applications that do not meet eligibility and entry criteria will be disqualified. The decisions of the judges are final, and no feedback or justification will be provided to applicants.



INAUGURAL BEST PUBLISHED PAPER AWARD 2025: Application Closing date: 5pm, Friday September 5th 2025 APPLICANT DETAILS - Title (Dr/Mr/Ms etc.) and Name Title: First Name: Last Name: **CONTACT DETAILS** Phone: Email address: Are you a member of the Victorian CVRN? Yes No Unsure APPLICATION CATEGORY - Please check as appropriate Basic Clinical **Public** Science Health Early to Mid-Career Researcher (<10 years post-PhD) * PhD Student Course/Degree Institution CERTIFICATION Certification by research supervisor I support this application for the Inaugural Best Published Paper Award 2025: Vic CVRN. * Considering career disruptions in line with NHMRC criteria for career disruptions, this EMCR is within 10 years post-PhD. Name: Signature: Date: Certification by applicant I certify that all details given in this application are accurate and correct. Signature: Signature: Date:

DETAILS OF RESEARCH PAPER

Paper citation (remember to include PDF copy of the paper with this application form)

Journal name	
Title of paper	
Authors	
Year	
Volume	
Pages	



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Describe how your paper addresses a gap in the existing knowledge within your field. (200 words max)
What is the current or potential future impact of your research, including its contribution to basic science, clinical application, public health and its clinical significance? (200 words max)