**The Malvern Panalytical Award for Excellence in Analysis by an Early Career Scientist**

Closing Date for Submission of Nominations: 31st January 2020

This Malvern Panalytical-sponsored award serves to encourage the development of dynamic, young analysts in one of the various fields of analytical science of interest to the Australian X-ray Analytical Association (AXAA) membership. The award will celebrate “outstanding application of laboratory and/or major radiation facility analytical technique(s) so as to achieve significant impact in a field of endeavour". The recipient of the award will not be limited to having used any specific brand of instrument.

The award will consist of $2000 to be used for professional development.

**Selection Criteria:**

1. The principal criterion is excellence of the application of analytical technique(s) to achieve significant impact in the field of endeavour. Work in areas beyond those central to AXAA's activities (e.g. X-rays, neutrons, minerals, materials, processing, manufacturing, environment, energy, cultural heritage, health and biomaterials) will not be considered.
2. The recipient will be an Early Career Scientist (less than 5 years in industry or since PhD conferral at the time of the AXAA-2020 conference).

**Applications:**

Applications submitted by either a nominator or the nominee will be accepted and will comprise:

1. The nominee's CV (including a publication list).
2. A detailed citation (statement, no more than three pages) highlighting the excellence of the nominee's contribution and addressing the primary selection criterion.

Applications are to be submitted in electronic form to the AXAA President, Nathan Webster.

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**Selection Process:**

1. The AXAA National Council will appoint a selection panel of three persons for the award.
2. The selection panel will make a recommendation to the AXAA National Council who, along with Malvern Panalytical, will make a formal decision on the recommendation. The decision will be final, and there will be no appeal process.
3. The AXAA National Council reserves the right to withhold the award if no suitable candidates of sufficiently high standard are nominated.

The award will be presented at the AXAA 2020 Conference and Exhibition (AXAA-2020).