**Genetics Society of AustralAsia Smith-White Travel Award**

**2020 Awards Application Cover Sheet**

The Spencer Smith-White Travel Prize is granted annually to assist PhD students who are members of GSA to attend the annual conference. Spencer 'Spinny' Smith-White was a founding member of the Genetics Society of AustralAsia. Spinny was a Professor of Genetics at School of Biological Sciences at Sydney University. His work was in the field of cytogenetics. Spinny was a strong supporter of the Society and student participation in it. The rules of the award are as follows:

1. The Prize is awarded annually
2. The GSA Committee will serve as the adjudication panel that awards the prize
3. The applicant must be a current financial member of GSA when the application is lodged
4. The applicant must be a currently enrolled PhD candidate at the time of the 2020 GSA conference
5. Applicants must present their work at the 2020 GSA conference. Both oral and poster presentations are acceptable. The presentation must substantially consist of the student's own work and the contribution of others must be clearly acknowledged.

The award consists of:

* a certificate
* the opportunity to present a talk or poster at the conference
* registration fees to attend the conference, including a dinner ticket

**Application information**

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| Name of applicant |  |
| Applicant email address |  |
| Applicant phone number |  |

If you are submitting a nomination on behalf of someone else, please provide your (the nominator’s) details below. If you are self-nominating, please leave this section blank. Note that both self-nominations and nominations on behalf of others are permitted and will be considered equally.

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| Name of nominator  |  |
| Nominator email address |  |
| Nominator phone number |  |

**Award checklist**

The following documents should be included:

* the applicant’s CV (no more than 2 pages)
* a copy of the submitted abstract for the GSA conference
* a one-page summary of the applicant’s PhD research
* letter of support from one referee (preferably the applicant's PhD supervisor or an academic familiar with the PhD project) to be emailed directly to Dr MacDonald by the closing date

**How to apply**

Applications must be submitted by email by 5pm (AEST) 27th March 2020 to Dr Anna MacDonald (Secretary GSA) at GSAA.Awards@gmail.com with “Smith-White Travel Award” in the subject line.