

ASCEPT-AMH Felix Bochner Award

Details of award	Professor Felix Bochner has been a leader in Australasian Clinical Pharmacology for many years. Felix is Emeritus Professor of Clinical Pharmacology at the University of Adelaide where he held the chair in Clinical Pharmacology from 1980 to 2005. Among his many outstanding contributions to pharmacology, he was ASCEPT president 1998-1999 and a founding member of the Australian Medicines Handbook, an independent, evidence-based, national drug reference for Australian Health Professionals and a founding member of the Therapeutic Guidelines. He was an outstanding mentor and teacher, receiving the Mark Bonnin and Richard Pellew prizes. In recognition of his contributions to Pharmacology, he was appointed as member of the Order of Australia in 2010. The ASCEPT-AMH Felix Bochner Award was established by the Australian Medicines Handbook (AMH) and ASCEPT to provide financial support for a mid-career leader in pharmacology or toxicology research, clinical practice or education. The award is intended to support the awardee to undertake activities that enhance their professional development. This can include support for the awardee to develop and strengthen a focused research group.
Purpose	1. To support a mid-career leader to visit an overseas laboratory, meeting or clinical facility for research/teaching/clinical enhancement or 2. To facilitate the awardee's research group to attend an ASCEPT meeting.
Eligibility criteria	• Applicants should be mid-career researchers, within 8-15 years since obtaining their PhD or FRACP, allowing for career disruptions. • Financial member of ASCEPT. • Applicants for the Award must have been ASCEPT members for at least 3 consecutive years or if a valid interruption to membership exists, have been a member of ASCEPT for at least 3 years prior to the suspension of membership.
Application	Applicants can self-nominate. However, their nominations must be supported by 2 referees. Completed applications should be forwarded to the ASCEPT secretariat at ascept@ascept.org by the deadline. The application should include: • A recent CV of the applicant (no more than 2 pages). • An outline of no more than 3 pages describing; a. how the award will benefit the individual and/or their research team,

	b. evidence to support emerging leadership in their field, c. how the proposed funds will be allocated and how this aligns with ASCEPT's mission and goals, d. a description of any equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) considerations that might be relevant e.g. significant recent career disruption or carer responsibilities (additional to the page limit). • Two written referee reports (from financial ASCEPT members) with each report limited to one page.
Selection process	The judging panel will be convened annually by the ASCEPT President and approved by the ASCEPT Board. The panel will be assembled in a manner consistent with the ASCEPT EDI policy provisions. The panel will consist of 2 Fellows of ASCEPT, the President, either the immediate past-President or President-elect and two representatives from AMH. Applicants from all fields are encouraged to apply in any given year. The judging panel will aim to equitably allocate the prize across all 3 domains of the Society: preclinical, clinical and education. The applications will be assessed on the domains outlined under "Application". ASCEPT is committed to improving diversity in its award recipients and encourages applications from mid-career leaders from under-represented groups.
Award	Up to AU \$10,000.00 annually. An official notification letter from the President will be sent to the successful candidate. The successful candidate will be invited to receive their award at the end-of-year Awards Ceremony. The funding will be administered by ASCEPT and paid to the awardee. To claim reimbursement, the awardee must submit the relevant Expense Reimbursement Form provided by ASCEPT, along with supporting documentation (e.g. GST receipts) for eligible expenses. Following their activities the awardee should provide a short report outlining how the award supported their professional development. This is for reporting and communications purposes and is not a condition of reimbursement. The Awardee will be expected to prominently acknowledge the support of the ASCEPT-AMH Felix Bochner award for the activities they undertake as part of the award, e.g. presentations, sponsorship of students to attend the ASCEPT ASM, etc.
Enquires	Please direct any enquires to ascept@ascept.org

