**The UK Early Career Colloid Meeting Bursary**

# Background

The 2019 UK Early Career Colloid meeting (ECCo2019) will be held at the University of Loughborough, UK on the 16th-17th September 2019. The meeting aims to bring together researchers from academia and industry within 10 years of their first appointment. ACIS is continuing its support for an Australasian Early Career Researcher in the colloid and interface community to attend this meeting to take advantage of this international networking opportunity. The bursary supports the travel and registration costs of a very early career researcher (0-5 years since PhD conferral) who may not have had substantial opportunity to attend international meetings. To gain maximum advantage from the attendance it is expected that the bursary recipient will also visit a local laboratory (UK) in conjunction with attending the ECCo2019. No minimum length for the visit of a local host is required. It is expected that the bursary recipient will present at the ECCo2019 meeting – preferably an oral presentation, but as this can’t be guaranteed a poster presentation would be accepted. Either way abstract submission is mandatory. Support is to be limited to financial members of ACIS at the time of receipt.

Meeting website: <http://www.rsc.org/events/detail/39517/early-career-colloid-meeting-2019>

# Key Dates

# Application deadline: 15th of July 2019

# Decision: 30th of July 2019. The recipient will be notified by email and announced in the ACIS newsletter.

# Abstract submission deadline: 12th of August 2019

# Eligibility and Application

The application must be made within five years of PhD conferral, with career interruptions, such as for illness, caring or parenting responsibilities, *etc*. taken into consideration by the ACIS awards committee when determining eligibility.

The applicant must be a current financial member of ACIS or join the society upon announcement of the award.

Applicants with a clear and concise abstract, a well-articulated vision of the benefits of their visit to the host lab and having had limited opportunity to present at international conferences will be favored.

Up to $2500 is available towards travel and registration costs to attend ECCo2019 in tandem with a visit to a local laboratory in the UK for a developmental experience in line with the recipient’s current or future research direction.

Receipts for flights/travel to and from ECCo2019 and meeting registration to be supplied to the ACIS treasurer to obtain reimbursement of funds up to $2500.

Accommodation costs will not be covered by the bursary but must be covered by the home/host labs or from alternative funding arrangements (travel grants).

Proof of presentation/attendance at ECCo2019 must be provided for receipt of the bursary.

The applicant shall submit a 1-page report to the chair of the award committee within one month of returning from attending the ECCo2019. The report will be published in the ACIS newsletter and may be modified to suit the format.

Applications or requests for further information should be addressed to Prof. Gunther Andersson, Chair of the Awards Committee of ACIS: Gunther.andersson@flinders.edu.au

**Form to be completed by applicant**

Applicant’s full name and email address

Applicant’s date of PhD conferral (must be after 1st of June 2015 except in the case of career interruptions as described here if required)

Applicant’s ACIS membership status (if bursary awarded applicant must renew membership or join ACIS): Current/Willing to join before 14th August if successful

Proposed abstract title

Abstract

Provide the name of the lab head, the institution and describe the benefit to be derived by visiting this host group and while in the UK to attend ECCo2019 (maximum 200 words). Please also include evidence of acceptance by the host lab as a formal invitation or by email from the laboratory head.

For how long does the recipient plan to visit the host lab (provide dates if known)?

Has the applicant previously presented at international conferences? yes/no

If yes, please list international conference presentations in reverse chronological order and include the type of presentation (poster, oral, invited oral, keynote, plenary etc.). Note that international conference experience certainly does not preclude selection.