



12th Annual Brian Cherry Award

(for excellence in post graduate/student research in corrosion)

Call for Abstracts

Applications are now open to submit an abstract for the 2021 Brian Cherry Forum to be held over 2 rounds, consisting of a 3 minute thesis event on Wednesday 6th October 2021, and a final longer format presentation event on the Wednesday 20th October 2021. The abstract for your talk should be submitted at <http://membership.corrosion.com.au/annual-brian-cherry-awards/> by CoB Monday 16th of August 2021 (CoB) together with applicant details in accordance with requirements stated below.

About the Award

The Brian Cherry Award is open to post graduate and final year undergraduate research students studying at an Australasian University. Applicants could be studying any aspect of corrosion, including but not limited to metallic and non-metallic corrosion, corrosion management, corrosion mitigation, and corrosion protection.

The award, introduced by the ACA Victorian branch in 2009, honours the late Professor Brian Cherry of Monash University for his significant contribution to corrosion education, consulting and the Australasian Corrosion Association Inc.

The award will be judged over 2 events an initial 3 min thesis event and a subsequent final longer style presentation event consisting of up to 4 winners selected from the 3 min thesis event. Generous cash prizes and complimentary Corrosion and Prevention Conference Registrations are on offer to the top 4 student presenters.

Taking part in the Forum provides students with the opportunity to present their corrosion related research work as well as showcase their talent to their peers and the Australasian Corrosion Industry – including potential employers.

Detailed Description of the Award

Frequency	Annual
Applications close	Monday 16th of August 2021
Acceptance of selected abstracts	Week of 6th September 2021
Presentation/Forum Dates	
First Round – 3 minute thesis	Wednesday 6th October 2021
Second Round – Full presentation	Wednesday 20th October 2021
Prizes	
	1 st place - \$1,000
	2 nd place - \$500
	3 rd place - \$250
	4 th place - \$100

All prizes will be awarded with certificates.

Award Process

1. Applicants submit an abstract of the presentation (no more than 1 page of A4, including any illustrations) at <http://membership.corrosion.com.au/annual-brian-cherry-awards/>
2. Applicants obtain permission from their supervisor and report this by completion on the attached pro-forma.
3. The award will be judged over **2 events** an initial 3 min thesis event and a subsequent final longer style presentation event consisting of up to 4 winners selected from the 3 min thesis event. A minimum 2 week gap between the events will to allow finalists to prepare their presentation for the 2nd round
4. Each of the local ACA Branches will review abstracts submitted by students associated with their branch and select up to two students to represent their branch in the 3 min thesis event.
5. Presenters will be judged on scientific content and presentation skills. The awards will be made on the night following the final round of presentations.

Guidelines for Eligibility for the Brian Cherry Award

1. Applicant must be attending a Australasian University
2. Applicant is either a post graduate research candidate or final year student in corrosion.
3. If working towards a PhD, the applicant must not have submitted their thesis prior to the Brian Cherry Forum.
4. The applicant could be studying any aspect of corrosion, including but not limited to metallic and non-metallic corrosion, corrosion management, corrosion mitigation, and corrosion protection.
5. The judging panel will consist of three ACA members.
6. Prizes are only awarded in response to applications. If no applications have been received that are deemed by the Judging Panel to warrant an award, then no prizes will be awarded.
7. The Judging Panel's decision is final.
8. Each award recipient provides permission for their names/images to appear in ACA publications.
9. Applicants must be current members of the ACA.

Guidelines for Abstract

1. It is directly related to corrosion and/or corrosion prevention.
2. It must discuss how the work relates to real world / industrial corrosion problems.
3. It is concise.
4. It may give a short background.
5. It must provide a succinct aim.
6. It outlines the theoretical and/or experimental work covered.
7. It gives the conclusions.
8. It may suggest further work or implications.
9. The material should be current.
10. It must not be a repeat of a conference paper already presented.

Abstract Submission for Brian Cherry Award



1. First name:
2. Family name:
3. University:
4. Department and year of work:
5. Email and phone:
6. Title of presentation:
7. Supervisor's permission: I, _____, am the supervisor of the above student and give permission for them to submit the above named abstract for consideration by the appropriate ACA branch committee and, if selected, for the student to give the presentation at the Brian Cherry Forum.
Signature: _____ Date: _____
8. Student's declaration: I accept the guidelines set out above for the Brian Cherry Award and enclose my abstract for assessment. If selected, I will give my presentation at the Brian Cherry Forum 3 minute thesis event.
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please ensure this form is completed and submitted with the abstract by CoB Monday 16th of August 2021 through the Abstract Submission Form at <https://membership.corrosion.com.au/annual-brian-cherry-awards/>