



Australia-India Early- and Mid-Career Fellowships 2018

14 leading Australian early- and mid-career researchers have been awarded scientific grants to undertake important research under the Australia-India Early- and Mid-Career Fellowships 2018.

The program supports Australian early- and mid-career researchers from the public, not-for-profit and commercial sectors to support research and initiate or consolidate collaboration with leadingedge Indian host organisations.

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(http://www.science.gov.au/international/CollaborativeOpportunities/AISRF/Pages/default.aspx).

Researcher	Project	Host Institution(s)
Dr Nathan Bachmann Centenary Institute	Establishing culture-independent genome sequencing for tuberculosis drug resistance: Platform for bilateral partnership in translational genomics to improve tuberculosis control.	Professor Kiran Chawla Manipal University Dr Srikanth Tripathy Indian Council of Medical Research
Dr Khandoker Bakar CSIRO	The Artic hegemony: A hidden association between melting of sea-ice and increase in troposphericozone pollution.	Dr Sourish Das Chennai Mathematical Institute
Associate Professor Naveen Chilamkurti La Trobe University	Self-learning cybersecurity schemes in application of social networks.	Dr Anthony Franklin India Institute of Technology Hyderabad
Dr Daniel Gregg The University of Adelaide	Poverty traps, technological progress and climate change adaptation in rural Indian agriculture: Applying advanced statistical methods to a unique dataset.	Dr Shalander Kumar International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)
Dr David Hallford Deakin University	Establishing a joint Australia-India Centre of Excellence in Neurodevelopmental disorders.	Professor Manoj Sharma National Institute for Mental Health and Neurosciences
Dr Jahangir Hossain Macquarie University	Coordinated control of distributed battery energy storage systems for smart grids	Professor Mahesh Kumar Indian Institute of Technology Madras Professor Sukumar Mishra Indian Institute of Technology Delhi

Dr Sreekanth Janardhana CSIRO	Groundwater resilience to irrigation and climate stresses in central and eastern India – a scoping study	Professor D S Arya Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee Dr Indu Jaya Indian Institute of Technology Bombay Dr Renji Remesan Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur
Dr Vinod Jaya Sylaja University of Wollongong	Transport infrastructure development using coir geotextiles	Professor K S Beena Cochin University of Science and Technology
Dr Mugdha Joglekar The University of Sydney	The PREDICT Study: Plasma RNA Evaluation for Diagnosis of β -cell Death In Children with Type 1 Diabetes.	Professor Chittaranyan Yajnik K.E.M. Hospital and Research Centre
Dr Mega Kar Monash University	New materials for next-generation energy storage: innovation towards sustainability	Professor Aninda Bhattacharyya Indian Institute of Technology Bangalore Professor Sagar Mitra Indian Institute of Technology Bombay
Dr Suchithra Naish CQUniversity	Public health initiatives on emerging mosquito-borne diseases in Australia and India: investigating the essentials and exploring innovations for the future.	Professor Solomon Aluri Andhra University Professor Pawan Joshi Jawaharlal Nehru University
Dr Rangam Rajkhowa Deakin University	3D printed functional composites from protein fibre particles for biomedical applications	Associate Professor Sourabh Ghosh Indian Institute of Technology Delhi Associate Professor Vimal Katiyar Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati
Dr Hasitha Weerasinghe CSIRO	Investigation of degradation mechanisms and long-term stability of highly efficient perovskite solar cells	Associate Professor Ashish Garg Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur Associate Professor Sandeep Pathak Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
Dr Ayse Zengin Monash University	Ethnic differences in the age-related decline in muscle mass and strength and the effects on bone health.	Dr Baharati Kulkarni National Institute of Nutrition India Dr P S Reddy Society for Health Allied Research and Education (SHARE) India Professor Dr Nikhil Tandon All Indian Institute of Medical Sciences