



Karen Andrews MP

Federal Member For McPherson

20 September 2012

Dr Marguerite Evans-Galea, PhD
Bruce Lefroy Centre for Genetic Health Research
Murdoch Childrens Research Institute
Flemington Road
PARKVILLE VIC 3052

Dear Dr Evans-Galea

RE: Australian Academy of Science - Early-Mid Career Researcher Forum

It is with great pleasure that I provide this letter of support to the Australian Academy of Science for the Early-Mid Career Researcher Forum.

The Early-Mid Career Researcher Forum engages with emerging scientists across multiple disciplines and examines a variety of issues that face them and their respective fields. I support this initiative of the Australian Academy of Science as it gives future scientific leaders the opportunity to express their views and perspectives on how Australia's scientific community can grow and adapt in changing times.

I am privileged to co-chair the Parliamentary Friends of Science, the primary objective of which is to further enable meaningful dialogue between Australia's parliamentarians and scientific community. I hope that the discussions that will result from next week's Forum will be able to contribute to the political debate and aid in the progression of our science industry.

As the Federal Member for McPherson, I support this initiative and offer all attendees my best wishes throughout their deliberations.

Yours sincerely

Karen Andrews MP
Federal Member for McPherson

