

Arthritis and Osteoporosis Victoria PhD Scholarship

Selection criteria for evaluation panel

	Criteria	Weighting
1	<p><i>Alignment with AOV Research and Knowledge Exchange Strategy 2015-2019</i></p> <p>The research must align with one or more of the key priority areas set out in the Strategy. It must be explicit as to how the research will benefit people living with, or at risk of developing, a musculoskeletal condition. Other aspects of alignment for consideration include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the length of time to translate research findings into the clinic and/or community • plan to translate and ease of translation • how the results of the research will be communicated to relevant stakeholders, including clinicians, allied healthcare professionals, consumers, educators, advocates, policy makers etc. 	30
2	<p><i>Impact of project</i></p> <p>The significance of the project for people living with, or at risk of developing, a musculoskeletal condition will be assessed based on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the number of people who will be influenced or affected by the research • the diversity of the stakeholders influenced or affected by the research • the degree to which people will be influenced and affected by the research • the level of importance of the research relevant to the sector's needs 	10
3	<p><i>Quality of the research</i></p> <p>This aspect assesses the quality of the scientific proposal including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the feasibility of the project • rationale behind the proposal • validity of the project methodology • whether it is achievable in the given timeframes 	30
4	<p><i>Resources</i></p> <p>This aspect considers the research environment in which the research will be undertaken and assesses the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nature of the existing infrastructure to support the work • whether the work is realistic given the resources and expertise available • mentoring and supervisory capacity within the environment • opportunity to collaborate where appropriate 	10
5	<p><i>Quality of the applicant and supervisor</i></p> <p>The quality of the applicant will be assessed based on their academic records and supervisor and referee reports. Likewise, the quality of the supervisor will be considered based on his or her academic track record.</p>	20