

## HELEN NEWTON TURNER MEDAL TRUST

The Helen Newton Turner Medal Trust was established in 1993 following an anonymous donation to the Animal Genetics and Breeding Unit to perpetuate the memory of Helen Newton Turner and to encourage and inspire those engaged in animal genetics.



**Helen Newton Turner AO**

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### **THE HELEN NEWTON TURNER MEDAL**

The Medal is named after Dr Helen Newton Turner whose career with CSIRO was dedicated to research into the genetic improvement of sheep for wool production.

The Helen Newton Turner Medal was first awarded in 1994 to Associate Professor John James and a list of all recipients to date is given below. The Helen Newton Turner Medallist is chosen by Trustees from the ranks of those persons who have made an outstanding contribution to genetic improvement of Australian livestock.

The recipient of the Medal is invited to deliver an Oration on a topical subject of their choice.

### **Medallists**

1994	J.W. James	2001	G.A. Carnaby	2011	R. Banks
1995	L.R. Piper	2003	F.W. Nicholas	2013	M. Goddard
1997	J. Litchfield	2005	K. Hammond	2015	A.R. Gilmour
1998	J.S.F. Barker	2007	L. Corrigan	2017	A. Collins
1999	C.W. Sandilands	2009	R. Hawker	2019	K.D. Atkins

The Oration of the 2019 Medal recipient, Dr. Kevin Atkins, is reproduced in the AAABG Special Issue of Animal Production Science that accompanies these proceedings.

### **THE HELEN NEWTON TURNER BRIGHT FUTURES AWARD**

In 2021, the Trust established a new award, the Helen Newton Turner Bright Futures Award to recognise the achievements of an up-and-coming individual who is showing evidence of establishing a reputation for excellence in the field of animal genetics within Australia.