



MEDIA RELEASE

Awards Highlight Women Leading Health and Innovation in Victoria

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Three extraordinary women were recognised today for their significant and inspirational leadership across Victoria's health sector.

Today's BioMelbourne Network Women in Leadership Awards ceremony celebrated the three exceptional leaders, who were selected for their valuable contributions to the biotechnology, medical technology, digital health and pharmaceutical industries. The winners illustrate a wealth of dynamic female leadership within the sector, demonstrated by the high calibre of award nominations.

BioMelbourne Network Chair, Lusia Guthrie said "Every year we are impressed with the number of nominations for these awards and are in awe of the phenomenal achievements of women across our sector. Our winners are not only leaders in their respective fields, but also role models for progressive leadership and equality."

The 2020 Women in Leadership Awards ceremony was conducted online by BioMelbourne Network and supported by the Victorian State Government. Her Excellency the Honourable Linda Dessau AC, Governor of Victoria provided opening words of support, and the Honourable Jane Garrett MLC, Parliamentary Secretary for Jobs presented the awards.

The 2020 awardees are:

Women in Leadership Award - Dr Andrea Douglas, Senior Vice President, Organisation Transformation, CSL Limited

Most Valuable Women in Leadership Award – Bronwyn Le Grice, Founder, CEO and Managing Director, ANDHealth

Emerging Women in Leadership Award – Ewa Douroux, Asia Pacific Marketing Director, Leica Biosystems

The 2020 Awardees will be featured in the [Women in Leadership Awards Honour Roll](#) on the BioMelbourne Network website.

The BioMelbourne Network Women in Leadership Awards were launched in 2015 to recognise and champion women who, at different stages of their careers, have made exceptional contributions to advancing the biotechnology medical technology and pharmaceutical sector, and inspire more women to pursue leadership roles.

About BioMelbourne Network

BioMelbourne Network is a not-for-profit membership association for companies and organisations engaged in biotechnology, medtech and health innovation in Victoria. Our mission is to support collaboration and build local capacity to increase Victoria's competitiveness in global markets and international supply chains. To achieve this, we foster links between companies, research organisations, financial markets and government, creating an environment for greater collaboration and prosperity. The Network is engaged in building and supporting the ecosystem in Victoria for the development and commercialisation of new drugs, medical devices, diagnostics and digital health technologies.

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