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Championing trailblazing women in healthtech

Three extraordinary women, who are driving change in the healthtech industry, are recipients of 2023 BioMelbourne Network Women in Leadership Awards.

These innovators and enablers are tenacious risk-takers who are inspiring the next generation of scientists and entrepreneurs.

The Hon. Ben Carroll, Minister for Industry and Innovation, Minister for Manufacturing Sovereignty, Minister for Employment, and Minister for Public Transport, presented the 2023 Awards at a live-streamed event sponsored by the State Government of Victoria.

BioMelbourne Network CEO Jeff Malone said this year's winners are reimagining what it is to be a great leader.

"Today, we honour three remarkable women who are trailblazers in the healthtech sector and role models for progressive leadership, equity and equality," Mr Malone said.

"They highlight how collaboration has contributed to their success and why it's important to support others on their career journeys."

"May you be inspired by our leaders' stories and raise the profile of talented women in your workplaces."

The 2023 Awardees are:

Distinguished Leadership Award – Professor Sharon Lewin AO, Director, The Peter Doherty Institute for Infection and Immunity; Director, The Cumming Global Centre for Pandemic Therapeutics; and Melbourne Laureate Professor, The University of Melbourne

Inspiring Leadership Award – Professor Susie Nilsson, Research Director, Biomedical Manufacturing, CSIRO

Emerging Leadership Award – Rima Darwiche, CEO and Founder, Central Pharmacy Logistics Australia

Awardee Citations – [view here](#).

More information about the awardees can be found at <https://biomelbourne.org/event/2023-biomelbourne-network-women-in-leadership-awards-ceremony/>

About BioMelbourne Network

BioMelbourne Network is the peak body in the Victorian healthtech industry, driving engagement and growth in research, innovation, commercialisation and manufacturing through local and international networks. Since 2001, we are actively fostering and growing an innovative, globally competitive sector and transforming our Network as well as the broader Victorian ecosystem.

About the Women in Leadership Awards

The BioMelbourne Network Women in Leadership Awards, which were launched in 2015, recognise and champion women who are making outstanding contributions in the healthtech industry. These leaders are also inspiring more women to pursue leadership roles.

Our 2023 Awardees were nominated by colleagues in the industry and the final recipients were selected by an esteemed pre-screening committee and judging panel.

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