

Ten Outstanding South Australian Researchers Picked for 2020 Young Tall Poppy Science Awards

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TEN outstanding young researchers from South Australia are to be recognised with prestigious Young Tall Poppy Science Awards on the 21st of September 2020.

These winners showcase the high standard of world leading research being carried out in the state of South Australia. From sleep to epidemiology and developing new varieties of crops, these Tall Poppies of Science are working on projects that will benefit all Australians well into the future.

The 2020 Young Tall Poppies in South Australia are: Dr Alice Clement (Flinders University), Dr Grace Vincent (Central Queensland University), Dr Ian Moffat (Flinders University), Dr Janet Sluggett (University of South Australia), Dr Kylie Dunning (The University of Adelaide), Dr Margaret Shanafield (Flinders University), Associate Professor Maria Inacio (SAHMRI and University of South Australia), Dr Rhiannon Schilling (The University of Adelaide and SARDI), Dr Yan Jiao (The University of Adelaide) and Dr Yuval Yarom (The University of Adelaide).

The Young Tall Poppy Science Awards are run by the Australian Institute of Policy and Science (AIPS) to honour up-and-coming scientists who combine world-class research with a passionate commitment to communicating science.

The awards are held on a state by state basis to celebrate researchers across science, engineering and mathematics.

AIPS Chair Professor Maria Kavallaris OAM said: “A more scientifically engaged society is something every scientist should aspire to and the reason that Tall Poppy winners are so important.”

“These Tall Poppies are excellent examples of the cutting-edge research being undertaken here in South Australia.”

“They also become role models by working with the education and community sectors to encourage greater engagement in science.”

The finalists and winner of the Young Tall Poppy of the Year for South Australia will be announced at the Young Tall Poppy and Unsung Heroes of Australian Science Awards on the 21st of September.

2020 South Australian Tall Poppies: