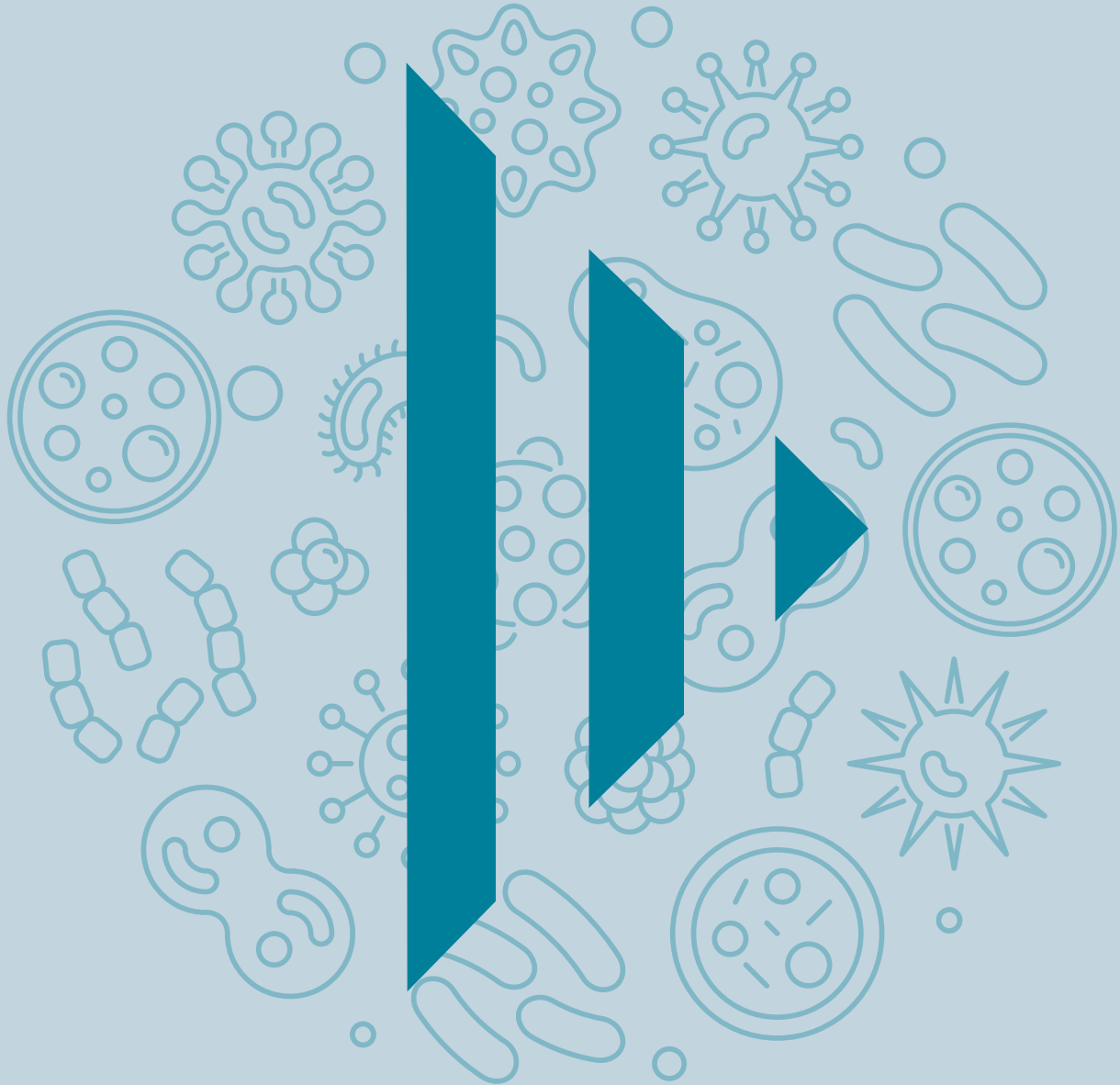




FLEMING  
INITIATIVE



# **Female Trailblazers in AMR**

## **Programme**



## Female trailblazers in AMR

Trailblazers are pioneers; someone who forges forward where others do not, and sets the trail for others to follow.

It is estimated that there only 3000 antimicrobial resistance (AMR) researchers, yet we are faced with the challenge of an increasing burden of drug-resistant infections and diminishing treatment pipelines.

In 2024, the global community came together to drive collective action and sign a political declaration on AMR at the UN General Assembly meeting in New York. We now need to ensure we support those advocates and innovators who are helping to reduce the impact of AMR and halt the rising death rate and economic impact of drug-resistant infections.

## Aims

The inaugural Female Trailblazers in AMR programme has been established by CSIRO, Australia's national science agency, and the Fleming Initiative, an international AMR programme led out of the UK's Imperial College London, to recognise the achievements of up to 20 women around the world who are leading and inspiring action on AMR.

The achievements of the Trailblazers will be celebrated and amplified through prominent profiles featured in a dedicated section of the Fleming Initiative website.

These profiles will showcase the Trailblazers' diverse expertise and contributions to minimising the impact of AMR and provide opportunities for them to connect with fellow experts, potential collaborators, and a global audience.

By supporting these women we look to achieve four key goals:

- Increase the number of women working in AMR-related fields and therefore contribute to efforts to redress inequity seen within Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Medical (STEAM) careers.
- Highlight pioneering work being undertaken across sectors and in regions not captured by traditional academic literature.
- Build a stronger, more inclusive, and supportive AMR community.
- Continue to raise awareness amongst the public of antimicrobial resistance and improve collaborative efforts in the AMR space.



“Throughout my career, I have always been committed to empowering women.

I am inspired by the leadership of women all across the world, who are tackling AMR with their expertise, innovation and dedication.

By celebrating and showcasing their efforts, I hope that we can inspire the next generation of women leaders in AMR.”

**Professor Dame Sally Davies**

UK Special Envoy on AMR

Patron, Female trailblazers in AMR



## Eligibility requirements

We welcome world-leading organisations to nominate women who are working to minimise AMR across disciplines and sectors that comprise a One Health approach (human, animal, and the environment).



These include, but are not limited to:



- R&D
- surveillance
- clinical and behavioural sciences
- education



- communications



- ethics



- policy



- law



- economics.



The work of the individual must be focussed on facets of AMR (including drug-resistant malaria and fungi) but not viral illnesses or general infectious diseases.

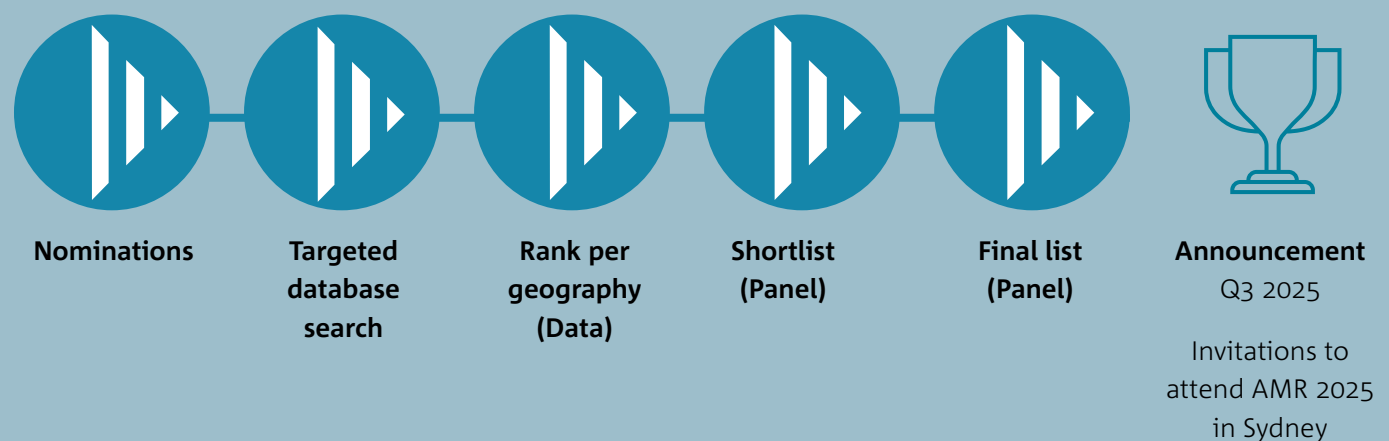
To achieve our goals, we are currently only taking nominations for those who identify as female<sup>1</sup>.

Whilst we are not imposing geographic restrictions upon submissions, we encourage and will guide our expert panel to weight submissions to account for those who may be working in more resource-limited settings, or whose work looks to address inequity seen across and within populations with respect to AMR.

For any queries about the eligibility criteria, and/or to check if an individual is eligible, please contact us.

<sup>1</sup> We use the term ‘identify as female’ to include cisgender women, transgender women, and other individuals whose lived experiences align with this gender identity.

## Provisional process



## Conditions

The Trailblazer finalists agree to be photographed, filmed and/or interviewed for non-commercial objectives and for Trailblazer-related purposes. These photos, videos and texts will be used in, but not limited to written press, television, internet, outdoor display, corporate publications, exhibitions.

Trailblazer images can be used for the promotion of science among the younger generation, particularly young women. Each of the Trailblazers will sign a separate media release form. The Trailblazers will not receive any remuneration for such promotional activity.

## Provisional Timetable

Nominations opening date: **March 2025**

Nominations closing date: **July 2025**

Assessment by the panel: **September 2025**

Announcement: **November 2025**

## Initial nominating organisations

- CSIRO
- The Fleming Initiative
- Access to Medicines Foundation
- AMR Insights BV
- CARB-X
- LifeArc
- One Health Trust
- United Nations Foundation
- WHO Collaborating Centre for AMR, Doherty Institute, University of Melbourne

Individuals may be directly invited to apply by the Fleming Initiative and CSIRO.

**For more information please contact:**

[info@fleminginitiative.org](mailto:info@fleminginitiative.org)