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## Fellows of the Australian Academy of Science

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**Occupation** Peak Body

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### Summary

The Australian Academy of Science was founded on 16 February 1954 by Royal Charter. Each year, twenty Fellows are elected to the Academy by their peers.

Currently, women make up only 14% of all living Fellows. In order to address this imbalance, the Australian Government asked the Academy, with the support of the Australian Academy of Technology and Engineering, 'to provide a 10-year roadmap for achieving sustained increases in women's STEM participation and retention from school through to careers'. The Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Decadal Plan was released on April 1, 2019.

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