

# Alex Ireland



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## **Statement of Nominee**

I would like to serve as Academy representative on the ECTS Board in order to represent and promote the interests of early career members of the Society. Having have been a member of ECTS for four years, Helsinki will be the fifth ECTS Conference I have attended. As co-Chair of the Website and Social Media Action Group since 2019, I have had primary responsibility for the ECTS Science Twitter account and I have also been part of a small working group leading the redesign of the ECTS website. I have served as a member of the ECTS Academy since 2019, participating in mentoring and teaching sessions, website redesign and social media. I have been a member of the International Conference for Children's Bone Health (a daughter society of ECTS) since 2019, with additional experience as a member of the Bone Research Society Committee and The Physiological Society Membership and Grants Committee (both 2016-2019) with various responsibilities including website content, communications and society strategy. I have also been part of numerous conference committees and chaired the organising committee for the Bone Research Society Annual Meetings in 2020 and 2022, gaining valuable skills and experience in meeting organisation, budgeting and sponsorship. I am passionate about supporting researchers at all career stages, but particularly those in the earliest years of their career. To that end, I have organised and participated in multiple new investigator sessions during conferences and online. I would aim to provide more online and in-person opportunities for scientific discussion and career support within ECTS.