

Research Assistant – The Heart Research Institute, Sydney

NZ Research Assistant Pathways Program

- **12-month placement based in Sydney, Australia**
- **Generous employment package worth approximately \$95,000**

THE HEART RESEARCH INSTITUTE (HRI) is an internationally recognised Medical Research Institute that performs ground-breaking cardiovascular research from our state-of-the-art facilities located in Newtown. For over 30 years, HRI has been one of Australia's leading research organisations working to detect, prevent and treat heart disease. Our research has made significant findings that have changed the way we treat and live with cardiovascular disease.

HRI is offering a Research Assistant placement under the Centre for Peripheral Artery Disease and Vascular Complications Group. This is an exciting opportunity for Honours graduates from New Zealand considering a career in medical research, including the pursuit of doctoral studies. The position offers up to 12-months' paid work placement at HRI's state-of-the-art laboratories in Sydney, Australia. This fantastic program ensures you will receive training and full mentorship in groundbreaking cardiovascular disease research, as well as the opportunity to build your career profile towards a PhD.

In addition to the benefits of working at an internationally recognised medical research institute, the program pays approximately AUD \$74,500 plus superannuation contributions for the first year, plus the opportunity to extend your stay and complete a Master's or PhD with the HRI. It also includes a paid return flight from New Zealand and two weeks of accommodation assistance upon arrival in Sydney.

HRI's Centre for Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD)

To address the knowledge gaps in PAD pathophysiology, treatment, and patient care, and as part of the solution, HRI recently established a Centre for PAD, a first of its kind, leading the way for PAD research in Australia. With strong partnerships with the Sydney Local District, Sydney Health Partners and the University of Sydney, this Centre is a collaborative hub and major platform for research, recruitment, societal outreach and mentoring of the next generation of researchers.

As a Research Assistant working under the Centre for PAD and Vascular Complications Group, you will be exposed to multiple *in vitro*, *ex vivo* and *in vivo* techniques, including those involving patient samples.

To read more about the Centre and the Vascular Complications Group, please follow this link: [Research and Medical Science • Heart Research Institute \(hri.org.au\)](https://www.hri.org.au/research-and-medical-science)

We offer:

- Convenient location in Newtown
- Salary packaging benefits and a competitive salary
- Flexible work environment
- Easy access to public transport for Sydney's city and transport links

- Rewarding work – making a difference every day to those living with cardiovascular disease

To view all of the benefits of working at HRI, please view our Benefits page: <https://www.hri.org.au/join-us/benefits>

Criteria

- You must be a New Zealand citizen to qualify for this opportunity. You do not have to be currently living in New Zealand, but must be able to demonstrate citizenship
- You must have completed a minimum a four-year full-time Honours degree or equivalent postgraduate program, including your research placement, in a relevant field of study.

It is preferable that you have also completed a Master's degree due to the PhD requirements. **How to apply**

Applications must include:

- a one-page cover letter outlining your reasons for applying, your interests in research and why you would like to join the Centre for Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD) and the Vascular Complications Group
- your academic record
- your CV including referees (a summary of your work experience and other relevant activities)

Please submit your application all together as **ONE PDF document**, using the following naming convention lastname_firstname_2024.

Please note: Due to the volume of applications expected, only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

This is a Category A position according to the NSW Health Policy - [Occupational Assessment, Screening Vaccination Against Specified Infectious Diseases](#). The successful applicant will be required to provide evidence of protection against the infectious diseases specified, at their own cost, prior to appointment.

The Heart Research Institute supports Equal Employment Opportunity.

We value diversity and encourage applications from women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, people with disability, LGBTQI individuals and applicants of diverse cultures and ages.

We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of our employees and affiliates, and our community. Whoever you are, you are welcome at HRI.