

## Histopathology Technical Officer, ProCan

- **Make an important contribution to the health of children through medical research**
- **Work with one of Australia's most respected national and independent medical research institutes**
- **Gain valuable experience in the not-for-profit sector**

Children's Medical Research Institute (CMRI) was Australia's first dedicated paediatric research facility and is now one of the nation's most highly regarded independent medical research centres. Our research focuses on the areas of embryonic development and birth defects, cancer, neuroscience and gene therapy and we have a strong international reputation based on our research outcomes. CMRI's research programs are supported by state of the art facilities and committed research and support staff. Our achievements are made possible by a loyal network of community supporters, highly engaged donors and the very successful Jeans for Genes® fundraising campaign.

### **ProCan®**

ProCan®, the ACRF International Centre for the Proteome of Human Cancer, was established at CMRI in 2016. It is a major new program that applies innovative technology to analyse the protein content of small tissue samples. The goal of ProCan® is to complete a comprehensive proteomic analysis of all cancer types to improve diagnosis, and to enable more precise recommendations for the effective treatment of cancer patients. ProCan® will analyse around 70,000 adult and children's cancers over the next 5-7 years with a view to rapid translation of research findings into clinical practice.

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An integral aspect of ProCan® research is systematic receipt and tracking of research tissue samples. In addition, traditional histopathology methods are used to examine and sub-sample both frozen and formalin-fixed-paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissues prior to proteomics analysis. We have established a custom histopathology facility for this purpose. An overall goal is to operate at a level that will assist us to achieve accreditation and to facilitate translation of research results in the future.

We are now seeking to appoint a **Histopathology Technical Officer** to join the ProCan® Laboratory team. The ideal candidate will have experience in preparation of human tissue samples in a clinical and/or research histopathology laboratory environment and show excellent attention to detail. The position will report to the Senior Research Assistant, Histopathology and will be responsible for basic pathology grading against defined guidelines.

## Selection Criteria

### *Essential*

- Minimum qualification Diploma in Laboratory Technology or an equivalent qualification from a recognised tertiary institution with subjects relevant to pathology or medical laboratory operation
- Considerable hands-on sectioning experience in a clinical and/or research histopathology laboratory
- Strong knowledge and proven track record in sample handling and histology techniques
- Assessment of slide images against pathology guidelines
- Instrument cleaning and management experience
- Demonstrated high level of organisational, reporting and record-keeping skills
- Excellent attention to detail and ability to communicate with team members and collaborators verbally and in writing regarding any errors or discrepancies
- Possess troubleshooting skills
- Confidence using Microsoft Office applications, especially Excel

### *Desirable*

- Experience handling human tissues or biospecimens.

You will be provided with a competitive remuneration package in accordance with qualifications and experience. Additional benefits include the provision of a Public Benevolent Institution salary packaging scheme and participation in an employer-contributed superannuation fund.

Applications should include a cover letter (citing **PV2126**), curriculum vitae and contact details (phone/email) of three professional referees and be forwarded to [recruitment@cmri.org.au](mailto:recruitment@cmri.org.au)

Closing date for applications is **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June**.

Please direct enquiries regarding the position to Peter Hains, Team Leader, ProCan Laboratory, Email [phains@cmri.org.au](mailto:phains@cmri.org.au)