

Information sheet for Microbiology Registrar position 2022

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Summary of Position/Unit:

Austin Pathology has a RCPA accredited one FTE Microbiology registrar position. Austin Pathology provides services to Austin, Repatriation, Talbot and Mercy Hospitals in Heidelberg, as well as multiple regional sites including, but not limited to Swan Hill, Echuca, Kyabram and Kerang.

Austin Microbiology provides comprehensive services including general bacteriology, Mycobacteriology, Mycology and Parasitology. Austin Pathology also has extensive serology and a stand alone molecular biology service.

Testing in the main laboratory is performed with state of the art laboratory automation equipment supported by mass spectrometry.

The department is closely integrated with the Infectious Diseases department with co-ordination of training and education opportunities.

Appointment to Microbiology advanced training requires application to the centralised training scheme run through the RCPA. Candidates are interviewed by a panel that includes representatives from all training sites.

Pre-requisites/Preferences for Candidates:

Registration with AHPRA is mandatory, with evidence of recent clinical practice highly recommended

Permanent residency or Australian citizenship is required

Post graduation experience of no less than 2 years

Completion of Part 1 RACP basic trainee examinations is strongly recommended, and Infectious Diseases training is a helpful prerequisite.

Enrolment or completion of the Basic Pathological Sciences examination is recommended

Selection Tips

Microbiology training is a competitive process with many candidates being registered for dual training through the RCPA and RACP.

Candidates are interviewed initially for their suitability for Microbiology training. Once a consensus has been reached, trainees are then able to access endorsed training with a network of accredited laboratories within Melbourne and Geelong. Provided that progress has been deemed satisfactory, existing trainees are guaranteed of receiving ongoing training until its completion.

Interviews

Interviews are performed by panel, usually completed in July-August.

NB: Process for 2022 selection will most likely NOT be face to face; interviews are likely to be performed through Microsoft teams with the RCPA hosting.

Application Stages

June-July training positions are published on the RCPA website.

An electronic application process through the RCPA follows where candidates are assessed for their suitability for interview.

Successful candidates are invited to interview between July-August (time TBA).

Positions are determined and offered on the day of the interview, with applicants required to accept on the same day.

Details of the application process are included on the RCPA website.

Application Forms

Details available on the RCPA website

CVs

Instructions of requirements for completion of a structured CV are available on the RCPA website

References

Details of requirements for referees are available on the RCPA website

Important Dates To Remember:

Closing Date for applicants	June-July 2021 (date TBA)
References due	July 2021 (date TBA)
Interviews/ Selection Process:	July-August 2021 (date TBA)