

# Position Description

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Position Title	Research Fellow, Grade 1/2
Group/Portfolio	Griffith Health, National Centre for Neuroimmunology and Emerging Diseases
Classification	Research Fellow Grade 1/2
Position Number	00063114
Reports To	Director, NCNED
Employment Type	Fixed Term 2 years

## 1.0 Position Purpose

The Research Fellow position involves contributing to one or more areas of research within the Centre/Institute. The Research Fellow, Grade 1/2, will become an integral part of the NCNED Team and will work closely with the Centre Director, Team Leaders and research students. This position will play a key role in the ongoing research of ME/CFS, long COVID and GWI and publication of research outcomes.

The Research Fellow will work within the research group of the Director of the National Centre for Neuroimmunology and Emerging Diseases. The National Centre of Neuroimmunology and Emerging Diseases (NCNED) is a very successful research Centre performing world class biomedical research contributing to the understanding, diagnosis and treatment of Myalgic Encephalomyelitis (ME), also known as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS), long COVID, and Gulf War Illness (GWI) through the identification of physiological mechanisms and biomarkers. The Centre is situated in Griffith Health with access to advanced research facilities as well as being connected with medical clinic facilities including those focused on the management of ME/CFS, long COVID and GWI.

# 2.0 Eligibility Requirements

- The occupant of this position will hold a PhD in the field of immunology, cell biology or molecular genetics.
- Certified phlebotomist or a willingness to complete training to gain these skills.
- Experience in advanced flow cytometry, immune subset isolation, cell culture, molecular biology, and patch-clamp techniques.

#### 3.0 Key Responsibilities

- Provide support to the team leader by undertaking research projects and tasks that assist
  with the management and completion of research projects including development, design,
  and performance of research experiments, data collection, management, and analysis.
- Plan, prepare and present publications, presentations and research reports arising from the research.
- Acquire and maintain familiarity with relevant scientific literature and contribute to the academic environment of the laboratory and institute.

- Actively contribute to supervision of junior members and students within the laboratory and to the smooth running of the NCNED Team.
- Actively assist and engage in the preparation of grant proposals and other documents as required.
- Active participation in the collection of research samples, including travelling to collection locations.
- Provide general support to the Director/team leaders as required.
- Lead and promote compliance with relevant legislation and University policies and procedures, including equity and health & safety and exhibit good practice in relation to same. Maintain fair, ethical and professional work practices in accordance with the University Code of Conduct.
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## 4.0 Key Capabilities

• Griffith University identifies the attributes of resilience, flexibility, creativity, digital literacy and entrepreneurship as critical to our graduates' success, in the rapidly changing future world of work. We have established a Griffith University Capability Development Framework to provide a common language of some of the non-technical organisation skills that will support our staff to thrive now and into the future. The Capability Development Framework will assist you to understand the current skill level of this position in the non-technical but critical skill domains that are increasingly important in a changing workplace context.

To read about some of the non-technical organisation skills for this position, please see the Leads Self/Others section of our <u>Capability Development Framework</u>.