

(April 2017)

Terms of Reference

Refer to HRC Act 1990 (Sections 13, 14 Principal function of the Biomedical Research Committee and Sections 17-19 General Functions of Research Committees) and HRC Policy Document *Description, Interpretation and Implementation of the Statutory Functions for Research Committees*.

Membership Composition

Section 20 of the HRC Act 1990 states:

Membership of research committees

- 1 Each research committee shall consist of 7 members.
- 2 At least 5 of the 7 members of each research committee shall have research experience that is relevant to the kind of health research in respect of which the committee is established.
- 3 The members of each research committee –
 - (a) *Shall be appointed from time to time by the Council; and*
 - (b) *May include both members of the Council and persons who are not members of the Council.*
- 4 In appointing members of a research committee, the Council shall have regard to –
 - (a) *Their personal attributes; and*
 - (b) *Their ability to contribute to the discharge of the functions of the research committee.*
- 5 The chairperson of each research committee shall be a member of the Council from time to time appointed for the purpose by the Council.
- 6 Subject to subsection (7) of this section, every member of a research committee shall be appointed for a term of 3 years, but may from time to time be reappointed.
- 7 Upon the completion by any person of 2 consecutive terms as a member of a research committee, that person shall cease to be eligible for reappointment as a member of that research committee until after the lapse of 3 years during which that person did not hold office as a member of that research committee.

Council agreed in principle to co-option of members to the Research Committee for a period of twelve months (Refer to HRC Council minutes April 1993).

Term of Office

Refer to HRC Act 1990 (Section 20)

Process for Appointment of Committee Members

The Council taking into consideration the matters referred to in Part 1, Section 20(4) of the HRC Act 1990 and consulting with the Committee, appoints members. The Chief Executive formally invites the proposed member confirmed by Council.

Current Membership	Date Appointed	End of Term	Expertise	Location
Professor Laura Bennet Reappointment	09.2013 09.2016	09.2016 09.2019	Physiology	Auckland
Professor Mike Berridge Reappointment	09.2013 09.2016	09.2016 09.2019	Cancer cell & molecular biology	Wellington
Associate Professor Bronwen Connor Reappointment	09.2013 09.2016	09.2016 09.2019	Pharmacology and clinical pharmacology	Auckland
Associate Professor Julia Horsfield (Co-opted: one year term)	12.2016	12.2017	Developmental genetics	Dunedin
Professor John Kolbe Reappointment	09.2013 09.2016	09.2016 09.2019	Respiratory medicine	Auckland
Associate Professor Patrick Manning (Co-opted) Appointed as member	12.2014 12.2016	12.2016 12.2019	Endocrinology and metabolism	Dunedin
Associate Professor Sally McCormick	12.2014	12.2017	Biochemistry	Dunedin
Associate Professor Alexander McLellan Reappointment	03.2013 03.2016	03.2016 03.2019	Microbiology	Dunedin
Professor Andrew Mercer (Chair) Reappointment Appointment to Chair Reappointment to Chair	05.2008 05.2011 10.2012 03.2016	05.2011 05.2014 09.2015 03.2019	Microbiology	Dunedin

Secretary:	Dr Miguel Jo-Avila (Acting Research Investment Manager, Biomedical)
Quorum:	4
Meetings per annum:	3-4
Reports to:	Council
Established by:	HRC Act 1990
Reviewed:	
Disbanded:	