

CBT Future Leaders Committee – Opportunities for 2025/2026

Future Leaders Committee – ECR and HDR Lead Representatives

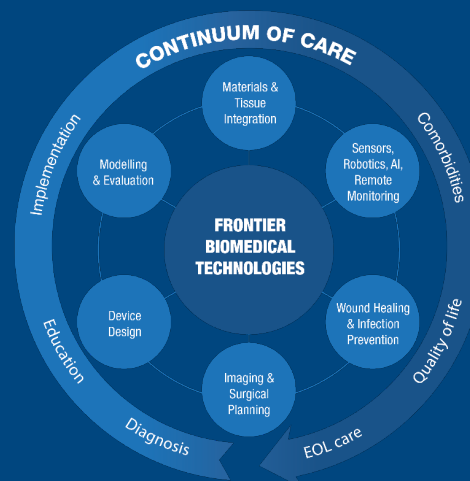
The Centre for Biomedical Technologies (CBT) is looking for highly motivated early career researchers and higher degree research students to work with the Leadership Team to assist CBT to achieve its goals. These leadership roles assist in building capacity and capability across the CBT Community, complementing the newly formed [Future Leaders Committee](#).

CBT Vision

“To discover, develop, and deliver the next generation of biomedical technologies”

Key CBT Goals (Externally facing)

- **Real-world:** Leverage our existing ecosystem of engineers, scientists and clinicians to develop solutions for real-world clinical problems.
- **Research:** Conduct world-class fundamental research that leads to new biomedical discoveries.
- **Translate:** Work with our industry and healthcare partners to translate the next generation of biomedical technologies into improved global healthcare.
- **Focus:** Target our research and translation towards unique healthcare problems and populations, ensuring nobody gets left behind.
- **Educate:** Train the next generation of biomedical researchers and apply our research capacity to improve clinical and patient education.
- **Build:** Demonstrate through our successes that we are the best place within Australia for biomedical technology research.



Leadership Role Descriptions – Future Leaders Committee (FLC)

Role terms are until December 2026

ECR & HDR Lead Representatives (HDR candidate or Level A, B, or C)

Up to **two (2)** vacancies for ECR (minimum one) and/or HDR (maximum one) and with a preference for at least one candidate from each CBT site (e.g. KG, GP, TRI, others). The newly formed [Future Leaders Committee](#) comprises a mix of HDRs and ECRs, with two equal Co-chairs. For this committee, an ECR is someone, who is less than 5 years postdoctoral (career interruptions will be considered).

The Future Leaders Committee is working in close collaboration with the MCR Lead for Internal Engagement and the CBT Development Manager. The key objectives of FLC representative role are:

1. Work with the Leadership Team to develop and implement an Internal Engagement model that fosters collaboration, networking, and research discussions among CBT researchers.
2. Represent ECRs & HDRs from your site or research group, providing a conduit for sharing ideas, raising challenges and shaping initiatives that support professional development and wellbeing.
3. Actively participate in the FLC, including:
 - Explore new ideas and initiatives that enhances the ECR and HDR experience within CBT.
 - Provide a platform for researchers to discuss challenges and workshop solutions with peers.
 - Organise and facilitate professional development, networking, and social events via the CBT monthly Lunch Club and other avenues.
 - Contribute to key CBT activities such as the CBT Symposium, internal communications (e.g. website, newsletter), and culture-building initiatives.
4. Develop mechanisms to support and enhance ECR & HDR research quality, including guidance on publication strategies, research development, grants, and professional networking.
5. Plan, develop, and facilitate activities such as writing groups, workshops, events, and seminars that align with ECR & HDR career development needs with support from the CBT Internal Engagement leads.
6. Act as the voice of ECRs & HDRs within the CBT Leadership Team, advocating for their needs and opportunities while ensuring their perspectives are considered in centre-wide decision-making.
7. Assist with the planning and coordination of the CBT Lunch Club through planning a program of speakers and topics.

How to Apply

If you are interested in this role, please submit a brief statement (max. half page) outlining your interest and suitability to biomedtech@qut.edu.au by **Monday 13th of October 2025**. For more information, please contact biomedtech@qut.edu.au