Pathologists’ Assistant in Surgical Pathology Cut-up

- Permanent Full Time
- Parkville Location
- Reference No. 12650

Peter Mac is one of a handful of integrated cancer research, education and treatment centres in the world. Each day our team strives to provide the very best in cancer care, even better treatments and potential cancer cures for all people affected by cancer.

The Department of Pathology is seeking a Pathologists’ Assistant to expand the ongoing operation of the surgical grossing program. Peter Mac is at the forefront of incorporating pathologists’ assistants into diagnostic anatomical pathology practise in Australia. This is an exciting opportunity for an experienced certified Pathologists’ Assistant with excellent written and verbal communication skills to join the existing team of PAs and pioneer an innovative career pathway in an expanding, cancer orientated pathology laboratory. It will also provide a basis for training and standardisation of grossing by pathologists’ assistants in the wider pathology community nationally.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to specimen receipt, accessioning, and triaging; simple, non complex and complex surgical dissection; macroscopic photography; assisting with frozen sections; specimen storage, tracking and disposal; and sampling of tissue for ancillary studies, tissue bank and research. The pathologists’ assistant will further assist with the training of scientists and registrars; perform administrative functions including preparation and administrative maintenance of protocols, quality requirements and other activities to support the anatomical pathology department. The applicant must demonstrate the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships as close collaboration with the Head of Anatomical Pathology, Consultant Pathologists, Registrars (equivalent to Residents) and the various surgical teams is an important aspect to the role in order to apply a series of consensus standards to a wide range of complex tissue specimens.

Candidates must possess a Bachelor’s degree in science (Master’s degree preferred) with evidence of training, competency and continuing professional development as a Pathologists’ Assistant. American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) certification or certification eligible preferred.

Assistance with 457 visa, relocation and medical insurances are available. For further information about this opportunity, please review the position description or contact us for a confidential discussion. Queries should be directed to:

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