



# HAND SURGERY FELLOWSHIPS

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## **VICTORIA**

### Victorian Hand Surgery Associates Fellowship

Two clinical fellowships in Hand Surgery are available for 12 month periods for surgeons who have successfully completed their surgical training and are interested in further training in Hand Surgery. One of these positions is available for applicants appointed to the PFET program in Hand Surgery administered by the Australian Hand Surgery Society.

The successful candidates will work with the surgeons of the Victorian Hand Surgery Associates in private practice and with the Plastic and Hand Surgery Unit at St. Vincent's Public Hospital Melbourne.

The clinical fellowship involves experience in pre-operative, operative and post-operative management of a wide variety of hand conditions. This will include both elective and emergency conditions including microsurgical reconstruction and replantation. The fellows will also be encouraged to become involved in post-operative rehabilitation with involvement with the private and public hand therapy services.

The fellows will be involved in the day to day running of the hand service including undergraduate and post-graduate teaching, journal club, audit and other clinical meetings and ongoing clinical research. The fellows will also attend regular meetings of the Victorian Hand Surgery Society and will be expected to present papers at the annual scientific meeting of this society.

A stipend is available for successful candidates.

A 12-month laboratory research fellowship is also available. This involves research performed through the Hand and Wrist Biomechanics Laboratory at the O'Brien Institute/St Vincents Institute of Medical Research. This position is open to surgical trainees and post-fellowship applicants. Funding for this position will depend on successful grant applications.

For further details, interested candidates should contact:

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## Dandenong Hospital Hand Surgery Fellowship

Applications are invited for a Hand Surgery Fellowship position at Dandenong Hospital, Southern Health, Melbourne.

This is a 12-month AOA accredited position suitable for a candidate preparing for a career in hand and wrist surgery. The successful candidate will be involved in emergency and elective cases, on call from the emergency department and outpatient care.

The successful candidate will also be involved in continuing education to undergraduate students, residents and registrars in the surgical training program, journal club and audit. The fellow will be expected to complete clinical or laboratory research suitable for presentation and publication. Laboratory research will be carried out at the Hand and Wrist Biomechanics Laboratory, O'Brien Institute/St. Vincent's Institute of Medical Research.

The fellowship commences in August and applications close 31 May the year before the commencement date.

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41 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy, Victoria , Australia 3065

Email: [stham@bigpond.net.au](mailto:stham@bigpond.net.au)

## Royal Childrens Hospital Plastic and Maxillofacial Surgery Department Paediatric Hand and Microsurgery Fellowship

A Fellowship in paediatric hand surgery and microsurgery is available for a 12 month period beginning August 1<sup>st</sup>, for surgeons who are seeking to specialize in paediatric hand and microsurgery.

Applicants will require a Royal Australasian College of Surgeons Fellowship in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery or Orthopaedic Surgery or equivalent qualification. Previous experience in Paediatric Hand and Microsurgery is desirable. The successful applicant will be exposed to a broad range of Paediatric Hand, Peripheral Nerve and Reconstructive Microsurgical cases and in addition to the clinical experience, will also be expected to develop and complete a research project and be involved in clinical audit and also training and supervision of junior staff.

Applications should be received before 30<sup>th</sup> June of the year prior.

For further details, interested candidates should contact:

Mr David McCombe  
Plastic and Maxillofacial Surgery Unit  
Royal Childrens Hospital  
50 Flemington Road, Parkville Victoria 3052  
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## **WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

### Upper Limb Fellowship

This Fellowship is available through the practice of Perth Orthopaedic and Sports Medicine Centre of Mr Peter Hales.

This is a 6 month Fellowship in hand and upper limb surgery with a bias towards arthroscopic surgery of the wrist, elbow and shoulder.

The break up of cases is probably about 50% hand and 50% elbow and shoulder. The hand cases are mainly elective with a smattering of trauma but there is no microsurgery other than additional nerve repairs.

The bias of the hand and upper limb practice is very orthopaedic, rather than plastic. The spectrum of cases in the hand and wrist would run the whole gamut other than that which requires microsurgery.

For further details, interested candidates should contact:

Email: [peter.hales@perthorthopaedics.com.au](mailto:peter.hales@perthorthopaedics.com.au)  
or Perth Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine Centre  
31 Outram Street,  
West Perth, Western Australia 6005

### Jeff Ecker Hand Wrist Fellowship Program

A 6 month fellowship is provided for specialists in training who want to gain further experience in hand and wrist surgery.

The fellow will receive one-on-one mentorship with hand and wrist surgeon, Mr Jeff Ecker, in both clinic and operative settings.

The fellow will be involved in all aspects of adult hand surgery, gaining experience in pre-operative and post-operative management, will be exposed to various conditions and injuries, and immersed in the latest surgical techniques relevant to the hand and wrist.

The fellow will have active involvement in the hand and wrist clinic, and routinely assist in surgery with both elective and trauma cases.

Collaborating with Mr Ecker and his research team, the fellow will prepare and publish a minimum of one paper in a peer reviewed journal during the program.

### **Requirements/criteria**

- Nationally/internationally trained specialist who has completed a fellowship in orthopaedics or plastic surgery, and has basic microsurgical and arthroscopic skills.
- Applicant must be eligible to apply (or be currently registered) to practice medicine in Australia, as recognised by the AHPRA.
- Advanced skills in the English language (competent in both oral and written as per the AHPRA registration standards).
- Obtain indemnity insurance and health insurance.

### **Stipend**

For review on application

### **Institutions**

Jeff Ecker Clinic, Bethesda Hospital, Claremont  
Bethesda Hospital, Claremont  
St John of God Hospital, Murdoch  
St John of God Hospital, Subiaco

### **Contact details**

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Phone: +61 8 9334 0750  
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Website: [www.jeffecker.com.au](http://www.jeffecker.com.au)

### **How to apply**

Please submit a cover letter, along with a detailed curriculum vitae, and letters of recommendation from 2 referees (dated within 12 months of your application).  
Attention: Fellowship Program Coordinator  
Email: [fellowships@ecker.com.au](mailto:fellowships@ecker.com.au)

### **Hand Surgery Fellowship for Plastic or Orthopaedic Surgeons**

**Location:** Department of Hand Surgery, Fremantle Hospital and Health Service, Perth, Western Australia

**Work Type:** Full Time, with six or twelve months Fellowships available commencing in February and August of the year..

**Hospital Profile:** Fremantle Hospital is a 300-bed specialist hospital focused on providing high-quality aged care, mental health, secondary rehabilitation, planned surgeries and medical services.

**Position Profile:** The Department of Hand Surgery at Fremantle Hospital is a combined Orthopaedic and Plastic Surgical Hand Unit undertaking traumatic and elective workload. The unit runs during working hours and not after hours or on weekends or public holidays, although there is the opportunity to be involved in the on-call roster at Fiona Stanley Hospital. We run an all-day trauma operating theatre and a morning trauma clinic, as well as some elective clinics and elective operating theatre sessions.

**Eligibility to Apply:** Applicants must be eligible for registration with the Medical Board of Australia and eligible to work in Australia. Successful applicants will have completed SET 5 with the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (or equivalent) and be eligible for (or have been awarded) their Fellowship of Royal Australasian College of Surgeons or equivalent in either Plastic Surgery or Orthopaedic Surgery.

For further information please contact Co-Head of Department Paul Jarrett on [paul.jarrett@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:paul.jarrett@health.wa.gov.au) or Stewart Flemming on [stewart.flemming@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:stewart.flemming@health.wa.gov.au) or Hand Surgery Coordinator Nicola Mawson [Nicola.mawson@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:Nicola.mawson@health.wa.gov.au).

## QUEENSLAND

### Princess Alexandra Hospital and Brisbane Hand and Upper Limb Research Institute

The 4 Fellowship positions are full time for 12 months. Fellows are paid according to the QLD Health Medical Officers Award.

Eligibility is on the basis of an FRACS or equivalent prior to commencement of the Fellowship.

There is AOA accreditation for all of the Fellowships. Each Fellowship involves a full clinical workload including full surgical practice as either a primary or assistant surgeon. There is a requirement to undertake research. You can apply online at:

<http://www.upperlimb.com/fellowship>

For further details, interested candidates should contact:

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## **NEW SOUTH WALES**

### Fellowship in Hand Surgery & Peripheral Nerve Surgery

#### Royal North Shore Hospital

Six and twelve month Fellowship positions are available for suitable applicants.

Applicants should be:

- Medical practitioner registered, or eligible for registration (overseas trained candidates) in New South Wales.
- Having been accepted onto a recognised higher surgical training programme.
- Permanent residency or eligibility for Occupational Training Visa (overseas trained candidates).
- Demonstrated clinical practice at a high standard.
- Demonstrated participation in teaching and training at undergraduate and/or post-graduate level.
- Preparedness to participate in on-call rosters
- Evidence of organisational commitment
- Excellent communication skills (including fluency in spoken English).
- Evidence of contribution and commitment to research.

Further information can be obtained from:

Dr Richard Lawson

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Royal North Shore Hospital

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New South Wales, Australia

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Ph: +61 2 9463 1822

Fax: +61 2 9463 1049

Applications can be forwarded to the Secretary at the above address.

### Hand Fellowship

St Luke's Hospital and Sydney Hospital, Sydney, Australia

The Departments of Hand Surgery at St Luke's Hospital and Sydney Hospital offer a fellowship in hand surgery to suitably qualified applicants which provides clinical experience at each of the two hospitals over a 12 month period.

Applications are invited for the the periods from January/December & July/June.

The fellowship is suitable for surgeons who have completed training in orthopaedic, plastic or general surgery and who intend to pursue a full time career in hand surgery. Full qualification in one of the above surgical fields is essential. Applicants must have some previous experience in hand surgery and an interest in clinical research. The successful applicant will undertake clinical duties at each of the two hospitals and will be expected to complete a research project ready for publication during the 12 month period.

A copy of the job description and details of conditions of employment can be obtained from [handunit@slc.org.au](mailto:handunit@slc.org.au)

A letter of application, including full Curriculum Vitae and the names of three referees, should be emailed to [handunit@slc.org.au](mailto:handunit@slc.org.au) or sent to:

Director of Hand Fellowship  
Hand Unit, St Luke's Hospital  
PO Box 35  
Potts Point 2011  
New South Wales, Australia  
or faxed to: +61 2 9358 5115

### Medartis Hand Fellowship

South Western Sydney Hand Centre, Fairfield

A 6 month fellowship position is available with a possible further 6 month extension. There is a 1 in 3 on-call with extensive exposure to hand trauma (20+ new referrals per day). The fellow is under close supervision by VMO's (3 plastic surgeons and 2 orthopaedic surgeons). The weekly timetable can be tailored to the candidates training needs with excellent base salary.

This position would suit either post FRACS surgeon seeking further training in hand trauma or a trainee (plastics/orthopaedics) with a genuine commitment to becoming a hand surgeon.

Apply: <https://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?Id=283827>

Contact: Sabrina Hami (Admin), Roland Jiang (Training Supervisor), or Mark Rider (Director) through Fairfield Hospital +61 2 9616 8111

## **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

### Clinical Fellowship in Hand and Upper Limb Surgery

Supervisor

Associate Professor Gregory Bain, MBBS FRACS FA(Ortho)A PhD Length and income:



Twelve months, Stipend. Fellowship income and private assisting fees. Some professional development and conference fees can be claimed.

#### Institution

ModburyPublic Hospital  
Smart Road  
Modbury 5092  
South Australia, Australia

#### Educational Goals and Characteristics

The Fellowship offers the opportunity to gain surgical experience and instruction in the management of disorders of the hand and upper limb.

The candidate will have a Fellowship from the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons or have extensive clinical experience in orthopaedic surgery. Candidates from overseas will have qualification of equal standing.

#### Clinical Duties

The Fellow would perform clinical duties involved with the management of disorders of the hand and upper limb and would have a regular on call commitment at Modbury Public Hospital under the supervision of a hand surgeon. The Fellow would also assist the Hand and Upper Limb Surgeon in his private rooms and in the private operating sessions, as well as attend regular academic meetings in disorders of the upper limb.

#### Research

The Fellow would be expected to perform clinical research throughout the twelve month attachment and would have specific time allocated for this. Research could be performed in conjunction with hand therapists.

Research protocols have been established and prospective data has been collected for future projects.

Modbury Hospital is a teaching hospital associated with the University of Adelaide. Computerised data retrieval is readily accessible and facilities for preparation and presentation of papers are available.

Applications, including detailed curriculum vitae and the names of three referees with whom the applicant has worked, should be submitted to email:

[greg@gregbain.com.au](mailto:greg@gregbain.com.au)

#### Further information

<http://www.gregbain.com.au/Fellowship.html>

<http://www.gregbain.com.au/Job%20description.html>

## **NEW ZEALAND**

### North Shore Hospital, Auckland, New Zealand

6 month or 12 month terms available

The fellow will have completed their specialist surgical training including their final exam. The fellow will be involved with all manner of orthopaedic hand surgery. This will include a large amount of hand trauma, as well as elective hand surgery, both in the public hospital and private hospital setting. The fellow will receive a salary of NZ\$90,000 per annum and the fellow is not expected to contribute to the after hours call roster. At the end of their run a fellow would be expected to be competent with decision-making and surgical treatment of all orthopaedic hand trauma and have a good grounding in elective orthopaedic hand surgery. North Shore Hospital serves a population in excess of 600,000.

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