

Appointment of new Associate Investigators (AIs)

The MacDiarmid Institute for Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology

The MacDiarmid Institute invites applications for new Associate Investigators (AIs).

Selection criteria:

- All investigators have to support and implement the vision and mission of the MacDiarmid Institute;
- AIs have to contribute to one or more MacDiarmid projects as outlined in the 2025-2028 Science Plan (summary can be provided on request);
- AIs have to collaborate with at least two MacDiarmid Institute Principal Investigators (PIs) or AIs,;
- AIs have to contribute to at least one of the non-scientific activities at the Institute;
- AIs have to lead independent research;
- AIs have to have demonstrated research excellence (relative to opportunity).

Eligibility:

Applicant must be New Zealand-based and will normally be employed by one of the MacDiarmid Institute partner organisations. The independent research criterion will generally require AIs to be on a contract of three years' duration minimum; exceptions may be made but would be best discussed with the Director before applying. Postdoctoral fellows working with MacDiarmid Investigators, in particular, are already members of the Institute and can access support and participate in Institute activities in that capacity.

Those who are not current members of the institute but do not meet the criteria for AI status might consider applying to be an Institute Affiliate.

Process:

Please submit a cover letter addressing the selection criteria, CV, publications list, and two recommendation letters by MacDiarmid Institute Investigators (at least one of which must be a PI) to the Institute Manager, Rosie Wayte (rosie.wayte@vuw.ac.nz). Applications will be considered by the MacDiarmid Institute's Science Executive. Applications must be received at least two weeks prior to a Science Executive meeting (held quarterly) to be considered at that meeting. All applicants will be notified within one week following the Science Executive Meeting the outcome of their application.