

## **Call for Expressions of Interest (EOI)**

The Australasian Association for Clinical Biochemistry and Laboratory Medicine (AACB) is seeking Expressions of Interest from AACB members to participate in a newly established:

### **Laboratory Protein Diagnostics Working Group**

#### **Background**

AACB is establishing a Laboratory Protein Diagnostics Working Group to support collaboration, harmonisation and guidance development in contemporary laboratory protein diagnostics.

The Working Group will provide a laboratory-focused forum to address evolving areas of practice including:

- Serum and urine protein electrophoresis
- Serum free light chain testing
- Cryoglobulin testing
- Reporting, interpretation and harmonisation considerations

#### **Purpose and Scope**

The Working Group will focus on harmonisation, reporting, analytical practice and quality considerations in laboratory protein diagnostics.

Areas of interest may include:

- Serum and urine protein electrophoresis and related methodologies
- Serum free light chain testing
- Cryoglobulin testing and associated laboratory practices
- Reporting and interpretative practices
- Standardisation, quality assurance and analytical performance considerations

The scope is intentionally laboratory-focused and does not extend to clinical management guidelines.

#### **Expected Activities and Deliverables**

Members may contribute to:

- Development of AACB guidance documents

- Harmonisation initiatives
- Educational activities (e.g., webinars and workshops)
- Advisory input on emerging laboratory technologies and practices

Initial activities are expected to focus on a small number of prioritised deliverables determined by the Working Group and AACB Board.

### **Membership and Representation**

Applicants must be current AACB members.

AACB welcomes applications from:

- Laboratory scientists
- Chemical pathologists
- Individuals with expertise or strong interest in laboratory protein diagnostics

The final composition will aim to achieve:

- Representation across Australia, New Zealand and the broader AACB membership
- Public and private sector balance
- Mix of experience levels, including early-career members
- Diversity of expertise and laboratory practice

### **Term of Appointment**

- Initial term: 2 years
- Members may be considered for renewal (up to a maximum of 6 years), subject to Board approval

### **Commitment**

- Participation in periodic meetings (primarily virtual, with occasional face-to-face meetings where feasible)
- Contribution to agreed deliverables
- Active engagement in discussions and outputs

### **How to Apply**

Please submit to the CEO of AACB ([ceo@aacb.asn.au](mailto:ceo@aacb.asn.au)):

- A brief EOI (maximum 1 page) outlining:
  - Name, role and organisation

- Relevant experience and/or interest
- Area(s) of contribution
- Motivation for applying
- A short curriculum vitae (CV)

**Closing Date**

11 July 2026

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