

# IgV Career Webinar Series

You're doing your PhD and might begin to think, what's next? How do I secure a post-doc position? Do I need to make certain 'moves' now to set myself up on the right track for success? How do you progress to become the head of a research program? Should I consider industry roles? IgV is proud to host a series of career webinars for students to discuss these questions. Hear directly from Immunologists at different career stages with varying experiences. Come along to the **IgV Career Webinars** from the comfort of your home office during the cold winter months! You can either type your question in the Q&A box on zoom or send us your question ahead of time on the IgV Twitter or Facebook accounts.

**The IgV webinar series will consist of three sessions between July - August. Mark the following dates in your calendar:**

Session 1 (Thursday 30th July 2020, 4pm AEST): **What's next once you finish your PhD?**

Session 2 (Thursday August 13th 2020 4pm AEST): **Navigating different career stages**

Session 3 (Thursday 27th August time TBC) **Outside academia - alternative career paths for an Immunologist**

## Session 1: What's next once you finish your PhD?

### DATE

Thursday 30th July 2020

### TIME

4PM AEST

### VENUE

Online (Zoom Webinar)



## REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT

Register through the ASI website. You must register to receive zoom details.

## SEND YOUR QUESTIONS AHEAD OF TIME

If you want to send IgV your questions ahead of time, you can do this via the **IgV Twitter** or **Facebook page**. You will also have the option to submit a question when you register.

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**Facebook:** Post your question directly on the Immunology Group of Victoria Facebook page and include the hashtag **#IgVcareerwebinar**. Alternatively, you can send a direct message to the IgV Facebook page.

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# Session 1: What's next once you finish your PhD?

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August 4PM AEST

## SPEAKERS



### Dr Ashleigh Davey

Post-doctoral fellow  
Walter and Eliza Hall Research  
Institute

Ashleigh Davey is an immunologist and cell biologist with an interest in CAR T cell immunotherapy. She completed her undergraduate studies in Medical Biotechnology at Monash University, before moving to Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre to start her PhD in breast development during pregnancy and cancer. Nearing the end of her PhD, she transitioned into a CAR-T cell lab at Peter Mac, ultimately leading to an industry postdoctoral scientist position at Cartherics, a local startup CAR-T cell company based at the Hudson Institute in Clayton. Following 8 months experience in industry, Ashleigh took up a postdoctoral scientist role back in academia at the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute, where she remains working on improvements to clinical CAR-T cell immunotherapies.



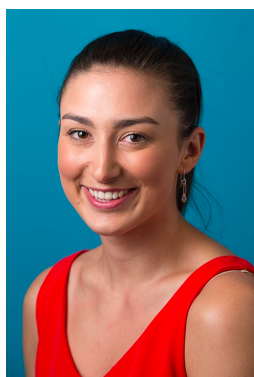
### Dr Rosemary Millen

Post-doctoral fellow  
Hubrecht Institute

Rosie completed her PhD in April 2019 at Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre and St. Vincent's Hospital investigating the immune response in patients with metastatic colorectal cancer under Prof. Rob Ramsay and Prof. Kumar Visvanathan. Her research focused on understanding the function of tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs) and mucosal-associated invariant T-cells (MAIT) cells in the context of these tumors. To investigate this, Rosie and colleagues developed an *in vitro* co-culture system using patient derived organoids and autologous TILs. Using microscopy imaging, immune-induced organoid death was assessed and addition of immune checkpoint antibody anti-PD-1 could also be evaluated in this co-culture system.

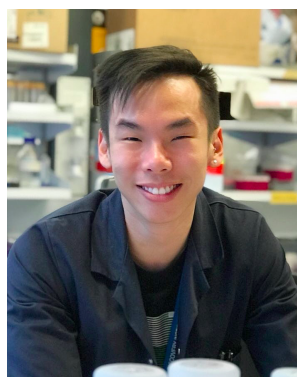
Rosie moved to Utrecht, The Netherlands in September 2019 to undertake her first postdoc at the Hubrecht Institute in the lab of Prof. Hans Clevers. She is now working on a clinical trial establishing organoids from patients with head and neck cancer. This project will focus on performing chemoradiotherapy drugscreens *in vitro* and correlating this with clinical response. She will also continue to investigate TIL function using organoid-TIL co-cultures, as these assays have also been established in the Clevers lab. In her spare time, Rosie cycles and plays Aussie rules women's football, and has recently joined the Amsterdam Devils women's footy team in NL!

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