





Research stay at the University of Melbourne and CSIRO in addition to participation in the ASBTE conference funded by the DAAD

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As part of my PhD studies, I carried out a 7 week research stay at the University of Melbourne in the Tissue Engineering Group of Prof. Andrea O'Connor and at the CSIRO under supervision of Dr. Veronica Glattauer. Additionally, I joined the ASBTE (Australian Society for Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering) conference in Canberra.

I directly booked my flight to Canberra to participate in the ASBTE conference presenting my research and listening to some very interesting talks – it is really a must for anyone who is involved in biomaterials sciences!!!

After passing these great days and having lots of new scientific ideas in mind, I traveled by plane to Melbourne, which is just an hour flight away. I was kindly welcomed by the Group of Tissue Engineering of Andrea O'Connor which is experienced in the fabrication of scaffolds for biomedical applications. In that context, we combined their expertise with my knowledge about protein biomaterials to fabricate novel, innovative materials. I also carried out another cooperation project at CSIRO in Clayton, which is 24 km away from the University of Melbourne but still in the city. Both cooperations led to new insights and will go on in the future assuming to publish interesting data.

During my time in Melbourne, I lived in a single room apartment in the Graduate House of the University of Melbourne, which is 2 minutes away from the University campus and 10 min away from the city center. Breakfast as well as diner was included. Due to limited capacity of rooms it is recommended to book as soon as possible.

All travel costs and the Graduate House accommodation were funded by the fixed travel and subsistence allowance of the Bayreuth-Melbourne Colloid/Polymer Network. The conference fee was also paid by the network after submitting the payment confirmation to the network coordinator. The International Office Bayreuth enabled rapid access to the funding.











