

Biography

Kim Mellor completed her PhD at the University of Melbourne, Australia in 2011, and was awarded a Rutherford Fellowship to repatriate to New Zealand to work at the Auckland Bioengineering Institute. In 2013, Dr Mellor established the Cellular and Molecular Cardiology Research Laboratory at the University of Auckland, New Zealand and has a tenured position as Associate Professor in the Department of Physiology. Dr Mellor's findings on the mechanisms of diabetic heart disease have been published in high ranking journals *Diabetes*, *Autophagy* and *Nature Reviews Cardiology*. Her research has won numerous awards such as the Early Career Research Excellence Award from the University of Auckland and the AK McIntyre Medal from the Australian Physiological Society.