

*Our science underpins the development of innovative foods that promote health and wellness*

The Riddet Institute, one of New Zealand's seven Centres of Research Excellence, is devoted to transforming the New Zealand food industry into a knowledge-driven business with high profit margin products.

The Research Institute is an elite organisation. Our combination of experienced and emerging researchers and expertise is unique, incorporating leading scientists from a range of disciplines and organisations. The institute is hailed as world-class, and we have established important international collaborations, including our agreement and joint projects with Wageningen UR in the Netherlands, the world's leading university in agriculture and foods.

More than ever before, New Zealand's food industry relies on science and technology to ensure premium products, efficient processes and high value IP-embedded specialty food ingredients. Through our research programme, we attempt to understand at a fundamental level the assembly of food structures, the changes in food structure that take place during processing and during the stages of human digestion and consequent metabolic and physiological consequences. This knowledge can be used to underpin the development of innovative foods. Our research is ambitious and important for

the future delivery of better human health and wellbeing through the development of food innovation.

The Institute has a special leadership role within the New Zealand agrifood industry. We have led a number of agrifood summit meetings, instrumental in developing a national agrifood strategy. The Institute consults with industry senior executives on the strategic direction of the New Zealand food industry; with technical representatives through meetings, newsletters and workshops; and with others employed in the food industry through a range of other channels including the food industry network: Riddet Foodlink.

Hosted by Massey University, the institute is a partnership organisation headquartered in Palmerston North. More than 130 people across the country are contributing to its scientific programmes, including 60 post-graduate scholars, who represent capacity building for New Zealand for the future. We offer around 10 new scholarships a year to top international and domestic students wishing to pursue PhD studies in specialist fields.

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# *World-class expertise*

Thank you for taking the time to find out more about the Riddet Institute.  
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