**Mana Tūānuku Research Leader Fellowship Referee Report**

*Please read the* [*Mana Tūānuku Fellowship Referee Guidelines*](https://www.royalsociety.org.nz/what-we-do/funds-and-opportunities/tawhia-te-mana/mana-tuanuku/information-for-referees) *before completing this report.*

*As a referee, you are asked to comment on the Applicant with a series of questions on various aspects of their career. You must consider the Applicant in relation to their years of research experience. As an example, applicants with six years of research experience should be compared to other researchers at a similar level, and not be directly compared to a researcher with 11-12 years of post-PhD research experience.*

*The information provided here is CONFIDENTIAL and has been submitted on the understanding that: (i) it will only be used in the appraisal process; (ii) it is confidential to the selection panels appointed by the Royal Society Te Apārangi; and, (iii) that it will not be made available to the applicant or the public. Please use a maximum of 2 pages.*

*Instructions in italics should be removed.*

**Relative to opportunity, please comment on the Applicant’s**

1. **Calibre as a research leader**, which may include:

* vision for their field of work,
* evidence of how their research can benefit New Zealand (including potential benefits in areas of future value, growth or critical need for New Zealand),
* team leadership,
* knowledge transfer activity,
* entrepreneurial activity (where applicable) and,
* giving effect to Vision Mātauranga policy in their research and community (where applicable).

1. **Track record and potential** to establish, re-enter or progress their career in research relative to opportunity
2. Ability to **design and execute a well-reasoned research plan**, and where relevant, showing skill and expertise in mātauranga Māori and/or kaupapa Māori or other knowledge systems.

**Referee Comments**

*As a referee, you also have the opportunity here to give any further comments regarding the Applicant.*

**Relationship with Applicant**

*As a referee, you must indicate in what capacity you know the applicant. Include any perceived conflicts of interest in this section.*

**Your own Experience**

*Please describe your own experience (research or other) relevant to this application and your answers above (for example, years of research experience, fields of research, number of students you have supervised as the official supervisor, and/or other). This will give the panel some context for your referee report.*