



## Undergraduate Research Opportunities at Van Andel Research Institute (VARI)

VARI research programs conduct biomedical research in cellular, molecular and genetic biology with a focus on cancer and Parkinson disease and an emphasis on translating scientific research results into clinical applications. See [www.vai.org/research.aspx](http://www.vai.org/research.aspx) for details of research programs.

### OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Summer 2007 Frederik and Lena Meijer Student Internship Program**

This is designed to provide college students an opportunity to be mentored by professionals in their chosen field, use state-of-the-art equipment and technology, and learn valuable interpersonal and presentation skills. We expect to support **10-15 internships**, depending on the needs of the Scientific Investigators.

*You will gain:* an understanding of research methods, instruments & testing

*You will assist:* in resolving problems in the execution of experiments

*You will understand,* recognize and properly perform & record established experimental procedures, and give an oral presentation about your experience to the research staff.

### How to apply:

Students should submit the following as one application packet. Review of completed applications will begin on **Friday, March 2, 2007**. Incomplete application packets will not be considered. No phone calls, please.

- Completed application cover sheet (available at [www.vai.org](http://www.vai.org))
- Curriculum vitae or résumé
- Two recent letters of recommendation from university professors
- Official transcripts of current and previous universities attended
- Send to: Student Internship Program  
Van Andel Institute  
Graduate School Office  
333 Bostwick Ave NE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2518

- **Other Internships - Academic Year or Summer**

From time to time, other paid part-time student intern research positions become available supported by research funds of individual investigators. Positions currently open can be viewed at [www.vai.org/employment.aspx](http://www.vai.org/employment.aspx). For other internship inquiries, send an email to [gradschool@vai.org](mailto:gradschool@vai.org).

- **Guest Student Programs – Academic Credit**

Educational opportunities for U.S. and international college and university students often become available year around. Academic credit is awarded through the student's home institution. The student must get approval from their home institution and complete a Guest Student Policy and Application form. Contact the Graduate School Office for details at [gradschool@vai.org](mailto:gradschool@vai.org).