

Vision

To deliver rigorous research & applied solutions in order to grow the sport and ensure athletes are able to compete at the highest levels of elite competition

Level of priority	Core research themes	Outcomes
High priority areas – short term focus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing a robust classification system in Sitting Volleyball and Beach Paravolley Growing the sport globally and identifying ways to dismantle barriers Exploring the athlete pathway Understanding coaching development Understanding how athletes' impairment impacts their level of function on court 	Governance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selection criteria and rules Position and collaboration with FIVB and other organisations Implementation of safeguarding plan Marketing strategy Budget for the scientific research commission (SCR) Funding research and innovation Effective membership models to grow the sport 	An organisation that supports and finances the development of rigorous and excellent research
	Classification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a research informed classification system for Sitting Volleyball and Beach Paravolley (standing) Ensure that classification meets the requirements of the IPC 	An organisation that promotes the use of evidence based scholarly activity to inform the development of staff, volunteers, coaches, and athletes
	Sport Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grow the sport globally, regionally and nationally Develop Beach Paravolley (standing) Align with Equity/Diversity/Inclusion (EDI) agendas, with focus on female and athlete inclusion Enhance sport presentation thought media research 	An organisation where knowledge creation and dissemination to the wider sporting community is commonplace
	Coaching Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an evidence based coaching pathway Develop and evaluate specific coach education Increase the number of athletes transitioning into coaching Explore psychological aspects of coaching 	An organisation that actively pursues and grows its connections with researchers, its centres, and universities globally
	Athlete Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a talent ID and development strategy Understand athletes' functional capacities Explore athletes' mental health and wellbeing Implement the World Paravolley Injury and Illness Surveillance Program 	
Low priority areas - medium- and long-term focus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring classification within Beach Paravolley (standing) Developing Sitting Volleyball and Beach Paravolley (standing) as a means to promote inclusion in sport and physical activity Developing an effective marketing strategy to grow the sport Developing a performance profile of international and national match play Evaluating the impact of coach education on practices 	Performance Profiling <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand performance characteristics during match play Understand the distinguishing features between levels of performance 	