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Dear Dr Hale

Summer research placement 2027, heart failure group

I am applying for a summer research placement in your heart failure group for 2027. I am a fourth-year medical student at Severn Vale University and expect to graduate in 2028.

In the summer of 2025 I worked for six weeks as a research assistant in the university's Clinical Research Facility, measuring blood pressure and arterial stiffness for 40 volunteers in a study of night-shift workers. I learned to follow a protocol exactly, to record every deviation and to keep the data clean in REDCap.

On my surgical placement I led a re-audit of VTE risk assessment on admission with an FY2 doctor. After we added a reminder to the admission checklist, completed assessments rose from 61% to 88%, and I presented the results as a poster at the regional surgical society meeting.

Your trial of a nurse-led follow-up clinic interests me because I meet the patients it is for on my bank shifts on the medical wards. I am free from 21 June to 27 August 2027. My CV is attached, and I would be glad to talk about the project.

Yours sincerely

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