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NEWS & INFORMATION

Consultation Paper on NHMRC's Research Fellowships Scheme	Internal Deadline
NHMRC's Research Fellowship scheme, in place now for decades, has been an outstanding success. Many of Australia's current and past research stars have been supported through the	N/A

scheme and NHMRC remains strongly committed to it.

On the 25 May 2009, NHMRC Research Committee launched a consultation process which raises a number of questions and issues for comment and input from the research and wider community in the *Consultation Paper on NHMRC's Research Fellowship Scheme*.

The NHMRC now invite you to make a submission on this paper. To download a copy of the paper and for information on how to make a submission, please visit:

<http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/guidelines/consult/index.htm>

ARC Bionic Eye Research - Update	Internal Deadline
<p>The funding rules for this program limit the number of applications that an institution can submit as lead is one. The University of Adelaide's bid is being lead by the Computational Neurosciences Research Cluster.</p>	N/A

GRANTS

Criminology Research Council - 2009 Research Grants	Internal Deadline
<p>The 2009 round of the Criminology Research Council research grants, are now open. Grants are considered if they are public policy-relevant, have practical application, contribute to the understanding, prevention or correction of criminal behaviour and will make a substantial and original contribution to criminological knowledge.</p> <p>For further details and application instructions, please visit: http://www.criminologyresearchcouncil.gov.au/applications/</p>	14 August 2009

Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO) - Access to Major Research Facilities Program (AMRFP)	Internal Deadline
<p>The Access to Major Research Facilities Program (AMRFP) supports access by Australian researchers from industry, private and public research organisations and universities to major international research facilities that are not available in Australia or to attend overseas strategic planning meetings to secure access to a major research facility.</p> <p>This program primarily supports travel where time has been granted on an overseas major facility following peer review. Collaboration visits will not be supported unless time has already been granted at an eligible facility. Two six-month funding rounds are held each year.</p> <p>For further details and application instructions, please visit: http://www.ansto.gov.au/research/user_access/amrfp</p>	<p>23 October 2009</p>

The National Seniors Productive Ageing Centre (NSPAC) - Productive ageing research grants	Internal Deadline
<p>NSPAC provides funding to a broad range of researchers to undertake consumer oriented research into productive ageing. NSPAC is inviting funding applications for innovative projects that have clear outcomes and benefits for seniors and the general public. This year three priority areas for the grants have been identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preventative health and productive ageing • planning and infrastructure to support productive ageing and/or the social inclusion of older adults • understanding and enhancing the ageing experiences of culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) older adults <p>For further details and application instructions, please visit: http://www.productiveageing.com.au/site/grants_nspac.php</p>	<p>3 July 2009</p>

NHMRC Centres of Research Excellence (CRE) - Call for Applications	Internal Deadline
<p>The NHMRC have recently introduced the Centres of Research Excellence (CRE) Scheme which replaces the Centres for Clinical Research Excellence Scheme and the Capacity Building Grants in Population Health and Health Services Research.</p> <p>The CRE Scheme seeks applications from teams of researchers to pursue innovative, high quality collaborative research activities in the following priority areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Research • Research into Asbestos Related Diseases • Population Health Research • Electromagnetic Energy Research • Health Services Research <p>The CRE will build capacity, support research that will lead to improved community health outcomes, and ensure effective translation of research outcomes primarily into practice. Funding will be awarded for a period of five years and is expected to commence in 2010. Applications open on 10 July 2009.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/grants/apply/cre/index.htm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4 September 2009</p>

Motor Neurone Disease Research Institute of Australia Inc - Research Grants 2010	Internal Deadline
<p>Researchers working in Australia in fields that are relevant to motor neurone disease are invited to apply for funding to support research in the calendar year 2010.</p> <p>1. Grants-in-Aid for research into motor neurone disease in 2010: Applications for projects in biomedical and health care research are encouraged. A range of grants, including the named grants below, are offered. In recent years, grants-in-aid have ranged from \$15,000 to \$35,000 with an average of around \$25,000.</p> <p>2. Bill Gole MND Postdoctoral Fellowship (2010 - 2012): The Fellowships of the MND Research Institute of Australia aim to encourage young researchers to focus their interest on MND. The Bill Gole MND Postdoctoral Fellowship is directed towards postdoctoral scientists with a track record in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21 August 2009</p>

areas of neuroscience related to motor neurone disease. Salary will be funded for up to three years at \$72,500 per year.

For further information and application instructions, please visit:

<http://www.mndresearch.asn.au/>

Kidney Health Australia - Medical Research Funding Program	Internal Deadline
<p>The Kidney Health Australia Medical Research Funding Program provides funding annually to kidney related research projects.</p> <p>1. Biomedical Research Scholarships: Kidney Health Australia provides scholarships for individuals wishing to study full time for the research degrees of PhD or MD and Masters by research, by undertaking research into the causes, prevention and treatment of disorders of the kidney. The amount of the scholarship stipend will range from \$28,000 (Science) to \$33,000 (Medical), depending on the qualifications the applicant holds and duration of study, for a period of up to 2 years for a Masters by Research, and up to 3 years for a PhD degree. Applicants should have graduated, or be proposing to graduate in the current academic year. The internal deadline is 21 August 2009.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://www.kidney.org.au/HealthProfessionals/MedicalResearchFundingProgram/tabid/633/Default.aspx</p>	<p>21 August 2009</p>

The Australian Academy of Science - Grants Program	Internal Deadline
<p>The Australian Academy of Science is inviting:</p>	<p>24 August 2009</p>

- applications for research support for the conservation of endangered Australian vertebrate species;
- nominations for the 2010 Rudi Lemberg Travelling Fellowship and 2010 Selby Fellowship;
- applications for the 2010 Graeme Caughley Travelling Fellowship for Australian ecologists to travel overseas; and,
- support for research conferences for 2010/11.

For further information and application instructions, please visit:

<http://www.science.org.au/awards/research.htm>

Sugar Research & Development Corporation (SRDC) - Research Projects	Internal Deadline
<p>SRDC is calling for researchers to submit research and development proposals for projects commencing from July 2010. SRDC are prepared to invest in bright new ideas and innovative R&D projects from anywhere in the world, which will deliver significant benefits to the Australian community and sugarcane industry.</p> <p>Research proposals should target one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mitigating risks of climate change, and facilitating adaptation to climate change and variability. 2. Delivering opportunities for the sugarcane industry in energy, biomass utilisation and product diversification. 3. Reducing production costs and/or improving the utilisation of capital and other resources for cane farming, harvesting and milling. 4. Increasing uptake of improved technologies and improving decision-making by industry enterprises. 5. Developing improved sugarcane varieties 6. Reducing risks of exotic biosecurity threats, and improving management of endemic pests and weeds, including risks enhanced by climate change. <p>Expressions of Interest applications will need to be submitted online using the SRDC application centre by Friday 14 August 2009 (external). For a review of your draft application, please submit a copy to the Research Branch by Friday 7 August 2009. Relevant Research Branch contact: Chelsea DuBois (8303 3716).</p>	<p>See Body</p>

For further information and application instructions, please visit: <http://www.srdc.gov.au/>

The Group of Eight - Germany Joint Research Co-operation Scheme	Internal Deadline
<p>The Germany Joint Research Co-operation Scheme aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • foster research collaboration of the highest quality between Australian researchers from Go8 universities and German researchers. • result in research outcomes and the exchange of skills and knowledge of mutual benefit to Australia and Germany. <p>The Go8 and the DAAD will each provide around 160,000 euros (AUD250,000) in 2010 and 2011 to support projects successful in the 2009 selection round. The German researchers must apply through DAAD and the Australian researchers apply through the Go8. Exchange participants must either be employed as academic staff members in a teaching and research or research only role at a Go8 university, or a PhD student involved in the research project submitted by an eligible staff member.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://www.go8.edu.au/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=79&Itemid=174</p>	<p>30 June 2009</p>

Association for Research between Italy and Australasia (ARIA) - Australian Travel Award for L'Aquila researchers	External Deadline
<p>Do you have colleagues in L'Aquila, Italy who want to study at the University of Adelaide?</p> <p>A Travel award is administrated by ARIA-Canberra (Association for Research between Italy and Australasia,</p>	<p>30 September 2009</p>

Canberra) to provide support for the scholars affected by the L'Aquila earthquake by offering a possibility to continue their research in an Australian Institution. Each of the 10 Awards will provide **AU\$5,000** towards the visit of a researcher from L'Aquila to an Australian institution. At least eight of the ten Travel Awards will be granted for visits to the Group of 8 Universities

The sponsored research visits will have to be carried out by 31 December 2010 and should have a minimum duration of 8 weeks. Applications close on 30 September 2009. Notification to the successful applicants by early November 2009.

For further information and application instructions, please visit:

<http://www.feast.org/opportunities/?ID=1328>

GRANTS - TRAVEL

Acton Institute - Calihan Travel Grants	Internal Deadline
<p>The Calihan Travel Grants provide financial assistance to students who have been selected to present, at an academic conference, research relevant to themes promoted by the Acton Institute. Such themes include the integration of theological ideas with principles of limited government, rule of law, religious freedom, and economic liberty. Grants are also open to students who need to travel to, and perform research at, archives or libraries or to attend educational conferences that involve the above themes. Travel grants do not exceed \$3,000.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://www.acton.org/programs/students/calihan_travel.php</p>	Ongoing

GRANTS - INTERNATIONAL

Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations - Endeavour Awards	Internal Deadlines
<p>The Endeavour Awards is the Australian Government's internationally competitive, merit-based scholarship program</p>	24 July 2009

enabling citizens of the Asia-Pacific, Middle East, Europe and the Americas to undertake study, research or professional development in Australia. Awards are also available for Australians to do the same abroad. The Endeavour Awards aim to:

- Develop on-going education, research and professional linkages between individuals, organisations and countries
- Provide opportunities for high achieving individuals to increase their skills and enhance their global awareness
- Contribute to Australia's position as a high quality education and training provider, and leader in research and innovation
- Increase the productivity of Australians through an international study, research or professional development experience.

For further information and application instructions, please visit:
http://www.endeavour.deewr.gov.au/endeavour_awards/

The Broad Foundation - Medical Research Program (BMRP) for Inflammatory Bowel Disease	Internal Deadline
<p>Research grants are available for innovative proposals that will lead to improvements in the prevention, diagnosis or therapy of Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis. Investigators in nonprofit institutions worldwide are eligible for funding.</p> <p>Basic and clinical investigators, scientists not currently working in inflammatory bowel disease, and interdisciplinary teams are encouraged to apply. Preference is given to proposals for work conducted with patients and with strong potential of clinical applicability in the foreseeable future. Research using non-human material should lead to translational benefits to patients with IBD.</p> <p>Funding may be requested for up to two years. Second-year funding will be based on an evaluation of the progress and the perceived value of the findings from the first year of funding. There are no deadlines or specific dates by which to request funding. Proposals are accepted and reviewed year-round, and the BMRP makes every effort to provide rapid response and funding.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://broadmedical.org/funding/overview.html</p>	Ongoing

Susan G. Komen for the Cure - Prevention Promise Grants (Pre-Application)	Internal Deadline
<p>Prevention Promise Grants seek to support integrated programs of collaborative and cross-disciplinary research projects leading to the aggressive translation of scientific discoveries into interventions and strategies that have the greatest potential to significantly reduce breast cancer incidence, defined here in terms of the prevention of primary breast cancers in previously asymptomatic women or prevention of second primary breast cancers in women with a previous history of cancer.</p> <p>Proposals seeking to prevent breast cancer recurrence would not be within the scope of this RFA. These grants seek to remove current roadblocks to development and clinical translation of effective prevention interventions.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://ww5.komen.org/researchgrants/grantprograms.html?ecid=vanityurl:11</p>	8 July 2009

FELLOWSHIP / SCHOLARSHIP

Visiting Fellowships in Canadian Government Laboratories Program	Internal Deadline
<p>The Visiting Fellowships in Canadian Government Laboratories (VF) Program provides promising emerging scientists and engineers with the opportunity to work with research groups or leaders in Canadian government laboratories and research institutions. Fellowships are awarded for one year with the possibility of renewal for a second and third year, at the discretion of the government department concerned.</p> <p>Candidates must have received a doctoral degree in the natural sciences or engineering from a recognized university within the past five years.</p>	Ongoing

For further information and application instructions, please visit:

http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PD-NP/Laboratories-Laboratoires/index_eng.asp

The Matsumae International Foundation - Fellowship	Internal Deadline
<p>The Matsumae International Foundation is offering another round of fellowships. The Foundation hopes to accept researchers from as many nations as possible, but first priority will be given to the fields of natural science, engineering and medicine. Fellowships are available between October 2009 - March 2010. Available for the fellowship is 240,000 yen monthly and 100,00 yen on arrival, plus airfare and insurance.</p> <p>Fellowships are for 3 - 6 months in duration.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://www.mars.dti.ne.jp/~mif/index.html</p>	<p>24 August 2009</p>

PRIZE

The Pritzker Architecture Prize	External Deadline
<p>The prize is awarded irrespective of nationality, race, creed, or ideology. Nominations are accepted internationally from persons from diverse fields who have a knowledge of and interest in advancing great architecture.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://www.pritzkerprize.com/about/nomination.html</p>	<p>1 November 2009</p>

OTHER REMINDERS

US Department of Defense Bone Marrow Failure Research Program (BMFRP) - Pre-Applications	Internal Deadline
<p>The fiscal year 2009 Department of Defense, Bone Marrow Failure Research Program, \$5 million appropriation, is offering the first of three funding mechanisms, the Bone Marrow Failure (BMFRP) Hypothesis Development Awards.</p> <p>The Bone Marrow Failure Hypothesis Development Awards will support the initial exploration of innovative, untested, novel, and potentially groundbreaking concepts in bone marrow failure research. Results of studies conducted through this award may provide the scientific rational upon which a new hypothesis can be based, or it should provide initial principles of an innovative hypothesis. Funding is available for a maximum period of performance is 18 months. Maximum allowable funding for the entire period of performance is \$100,000. The Synopsis Table is located on website: http://cdmrp.army.mil/funding/pdf/09bmfrpreftable.pdf</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://cdmrp.army.mil/pubs/press/2009/09bmfrppreann_new.htm</p>	<p>2 July 2009</p>

Australia - Israel Scientific Exchange Foundation (AISEF) Postgraduate Fellowship	Internal Deadline
<p>The AISEF Postgraduate Fellowship is directed at promoting scientific exchange and collaboration between Israel and Australia and provides funding to assist a postgraduate research student to spend up to 6 months working in a research laboratory in Israel. One fellowship up to a maximum amount of \$5,000 is available.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://www.swinburne.edu.au/hosting/aisef/aisefpgfellow-app-aust.html</p>	<p>3 July 2009</p>

Arthritis Australia - Grants In Aid and Project Grants 2010	Internal Deadline
<p>Arthritis Australia 2010 research grant applications are now open to clinical, scientific and allied health professionals who work in universities, hospitals and recognised research institutes.</p> <p>Grants are typically for short-term projects with well defined aims that can be achieved within a 12 month period. The amount allocated is generally in the range of \$10,000 - \$15,000 per grant for new investigator grants. A maximum of four project grants valued up to \$50,000 will be available, including grants focusing on rheumatoid arthritis and ankylosing spondylitis. Selection is by review process. It is expected that an explicit, justified budget will be provided as part of your application.</p> <p>For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://www.arthritisaustralia.com.au/index.php/research-grants.html</p>	3 July 2009

Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia (PCFA) - Research Program	Internal Deadline
<p>The PCFA recognizes that current strategies for diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer are inadequate. Progress in the management of prostate cancer requires research as well as measures to make scientifically-rigorous clinical trials accessible to patients with prostate cancer.</p> <p>PCFA Grant Categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Young Investigator Grants: To support young scientists beginning a career in prostate cancer research. 2. Concept Grants: For senior scientists not currently working in prostate cancer who have an innovative proposals and are seeking startup funding. 3. Project Grants: For general proposals for prostate cancer research, including support for innovative clinical trials. 4. Equipment Grants: For significant items of equipment 	3 July 2009

needed to progress ongoing prostate cancer research.

For further information and application instructions, please visit:

<http://www.prostate.org.au/articleLive/pages/PCFA-Research-Program.html>

Dairy Australia - Research and Development (R&D) Projects (Preliminary submissions)	Internal Deadlines
<p>Dairy Australia invites applications for funding for R&D projects of between 1 and 3 years duration which are perceived to be of benefit to the Australian dairy industry. Dairy Australia may support funding applications that address one or more of the three key objectives as set out in the Dairy Australia Strategic Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase farm productivity • Maintain and develop high margin markets, channels and products • Promote and protect the unique benefits of Australian dairy <p>To apply for funding, applicants must first complete and submit a preliminary application form. For further information and application instructions, please visit: http://www.dairyaustralia.com.au/Research-and-Innovation/Research-Funding/Applications.aspx</p>	<p>23 July 2009</p>