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### *NHMRC Forum with Warrick Anderson*

The NHMRC will be in Adelaide on **1 November 2007** to hold a Forum to outline current activities within NHMRC and to discuss issues and concerns within the research community.

The Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research Strategy), Professor Mike Brooks will introduce Professor Warwick Anderson CEO of the National Health and Medical Research Council. The Forum is open to health and medical researchers, research administration officers and other interested people to give the opportunity to raise questions directly with the NHMRC CEO.

The Forum will commence at 2-00pm in the Florey Lecture Theatre located at N103 in Medical School North and is expected to conclude by 4-00pm.

### *Ethics - Last 2007 Submission Dates*

The ethics committees each have only one more submission date in 2007:

**7 November - Human Research Ethics Committee,**

**12 November - Animal Ethics Committee**

**29 November - Institutional Biosafety Committee**

If you miss these deadlines, you will need to wait until late January/early February 2008 to apply for your ethics clearances. Forms and information at <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/ethics/>

### *FEDERATION FELLOWSHIPS SCHEME CLOSING TIME FOR PROPOSALS*

A reminder that the closing time for submission of Federation Fellowships proposals (for funding commencing in 2008) is **5.00pm (AEST) Friday 19 October 2007.**

### *Australia Fellowships Round Three*

- The Australia Fellowship (AF) is a pre-eminent award for outstanding health and medical researchers across all disciplines. Each Fellowship is worth a total value of \$4 million. The second round of AF awards was announced

by the Prime Minister in September.

- AF Round Three will commence early in 2008, and will be advertised later this year through the usual channels. Leading researchers with a vision for the benefit of Australian health and medical research are encouraged to apply. International researchers are also eligible, provided they meet certain conditions.
- We urge all research institutions and researchers to encourage your international friends who are leading researchers, whether Australian or not, to begin to plan applications now. We are looking for leaders in research excellence in any field relevant to health, with a vision for the future and demonstrated capacity to achieve visionary plans. An Australian passport is not a prerequisite.

More information about the Australia Fellowships scheme can be found at: <http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/fellows/apply/granttype/career/index.htm>

as well as the Research Branch: <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/rb/arc/FedFell.html>

## NEW

## NEWS

### ***FUTURE RESEARCH LEADERS' PROGRAM WEBSITE***

This Go8 Universities' collaborative project will deliver best practice training in financial management and other core business competencies to 1,000 Go8 researchers identified as current and future research leaders.

The Adelaide University Future Leaders information page can be found [here](#)

### ***Applications for High Performance APAC Computer Resources***

The Australian Partnership for Advanced Computing (APAC) call for Applications to the Merit Allocation Scheme including Computational Projects on the APAC National Facility, and Data Projects on the APAC National Facility for the period Jan 2008 - Dec 2008. Further details found [here](#)

Closing Date for applications is **2 November 2007**.

APAC website found [here](#)

### ***Marine National Facility - Grants of Time***

Each year grants of time aboard the Marine National Facility's research vessel RV *Southern Surveyor* are made available to Australian scientists for research in Australia's Maritime Jurisdiction and surrounding oceans.

The Marine National Facility's Steering Committee will open the call for applications for use of RV *Southern Surveyor* in the 2009/2010 research year. The application period will close on **8 February 2008**.

For more information click [here](#)

## GRANTS

### *The Lirabenda Endowment Fund*

The Lirabenda Endowment Fund has recently been established by the Field Naturalists Society of South Australia Inc. (FNSSA). The FNSSA has had amongst its aims the promotion of the study and diffusion of knowledge relating to natural sciences.

Applications due to the Research Branch **11 December 2007**

Guidelines form can be found [here](#) (pdf), Application form can be found [here](#) (pdf)

All applications and enquiries should be directed to either [Chelsea DuBois](#) (ext # 33716) or [Paula Rosenbauer](#) (ext # 33388)

Further information can be found [here](#)



## CURRENT

## NEWS

### *Subscribe to Research Branch Mailing List*

The Research Branch has established a mailing list for researchers interested in research news. The list circulates information on the major schemes and other funding opportunities, information sessions, prizes, general information relevant to researchers and the regular Research Branch newsletter.

To subscribe to the list, go to <http://list.adelaide.edu.au/mailman/listinfo/allresearchers-v.researchbranch>  
Or contact Sam Tudman at [sam.tudman@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:sam.tudman@adelaide.edu.au) or on Ext. 34722

### ***Funding Opportunities***

The [Funding Opportunities](#) page on the Research Branch website provides access to all ARC and NHMRC opportunities as well as the rural and natural resources R&D corporations. In addition, you can also access the myriad of other funding opportunities available in the Current List of Funding Opportunities and the Comprehensive List of Funding Opportunities. Also, you might like to look further at the funding opportunity databases listed such as SPIN or Grants. Gov.

### ***New Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research***

The NHMRC, in partnership with the Australian Research Council and Universities Australia, and through extensive public consultation, has developed the Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research. The Code replaces the Joint NHMRC/AVCC Statement and Guidelines on Research Practice (1997).

The Code advocates and describes best practice in research for researchers and institutions, as well as setting out a framework for handling breaches of the Code. While the document is aimed at universities and researchers in the public sector, it can be applied by any organisation involved in conducting research.

The Code provides advice on how to manage research data and materials; how to publish and disseminate research findings (including proper attribution of authorship); obligations in peer review; how to collaborate across institutions; and how to manage conflicts of interest. The Code also provides guidance to institutions when establishing independent external inquiries to evaluate allegations of serious misconduct.

The Code is written specifically for universities and other public sector research institutions and is also intended to inform the public about the standards expected of Australian research institutes and individual researchers.

Compliance with the Code is a prerequisite for National Health and Medical Research Council funding. Researchers are encouraged to acquaint themselves with, and meet, the requirements of the new Code as soon as possible.

The new code can be found here <http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/publications/synopses/r39syn.htm>

A summary of the new code can be found here [http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/publications/synopses/r39syn\\_summary.htm](http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/publications/synopses/r39syn_summary.htm)

Any questions concerning the introduction of the new Code should be directed to the Research Branch ([simon.brennan@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:simon.brennan@adelaide.edu.au)) in the first instance.

### ***2007 University of Adelaide DEST HERDC Publications Collection arrangements.***

Academics, Students and University of Adelaide Affiliates are reminded that their publications for 2007 can be

submitted to their School's publication coordinator.

The deadline for submission of publications to the Research Branch is **31 March 2008**.

The process for the 2007 DEST Higher Education Research Data Collection of publications has undergone changes aimed at simplifying the processes in the disciplines and schools. Support material is located at <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/rb/pub/>.

The objective of this annual collection is to

- comply with the requirements of the Department of Education, Science and Training (DEST) Higher Education Research Data Collection (HERDC)
- provide data for Strategy and Planning <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/sp/statistics/research/>
- provide data for research committees and research management
- provide references for the University of Adelaide's repository to provide access to the public via the internet to the University of Adelaide's research publications

The collection is used by the Group of 8 Universities for comparative analysis of research performance.

The University's publication performance in the DEST Higher Education Research Data Collection (HERDC) in 2006 increased from 1550.3 to 1674.0 an increase of 8% or 124 DEST points. 2006 University of Adelaide DEST HERDC Publications are available for the Research Branch Website <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/rb/pub/Pub2006.html>. The publications are presented by School / Discipline within Faculties and provides a bibliographic listing of publications that where included in the Higher Education Research Data Collection

### ***Upcoming Korea Exchange Program***

The Australia-Korea Foundation (AKF), the Australian Academy of Science (AAS) and the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering (ATSE) wish to enhance Australia-Korea links in science and technology. The aim of the program is to develop an awareness of, and interest in Australia's research expertise in Korea; and an awareness of, and interest in Korea's research expertise in Australia.

In the next month or so AAS and ATSE will be advertising for young Australian scientists to participate in an exchange visit to Korea during mid 2008.

The Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering (ATSE) web site is [here](#).

### ***Call for expressions of Interest for Seminar on Low Emission Technology.***

On **27 November 2007** the Australian Embassy in Berlin will host a seminar on low emissions technology (with a focus on clean coal). The Australian CRC for CO2 as well as German politicians and industry representatives will attend.

All expressions of interest should be directed to [dvcr@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:dvcr@adelaide.edu.au)

### ***International Water Research Workshop***

The German Research Foundation (DFG) will host an international water research workshop on **2-3 June 2008 in Berlin**. It will involve researchers from the US, Canada, Germany and the Netherlands. The DFG would like to invite Australian participation if we have some relevant experience in this field. They are specifically looking for experience of networks in the field of water research. More information about this event will be forthcoming at the end of October

All expressions of interest should be directed to [dvcr@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:dvcr@adelaide.edu.au)

### ***Coral reef science, conservation and management***

A public discussion will be hosted by Academy Fellow, Robyn Williams in the Shine Dome, Canberra, on 18 October.

Further details found here: [http://www.coralcoe.org.au/news\\_stories/07/public.html](http://www.coralcoe.org.au/news_stories/07/public.html)



## **GRANTS**

### ***ARC Linkage Projects 2008 Round 2 Applications***

The Linkage Projects Round 2 Application Form for funding commencing in July 2008 is now available in GAMS via the ARC website: <https://gams.arc.gov.au/>

To assist applicants to prepare proposals, the ARC's 'Instructions to Applicants' document is also available at: [http://www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/lp/lp\\_instructions.htm](http://www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/lp/lp_instructions.htm)

For full review by the Research Branch proposals must be submitted in GAMS (to 'arcvalid' status), and the original along with one identical hard copy of the proposal must be received by the branch **Monday 5 November 2007**.

Further information and contacts can be found at the Research Branch website: <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/rb/arc/LinkProj.html>

### ***Group of Eight announces 2008 European Fellowships***

The Group of Eight today announced its 2008 Round of Fellowships for early career researchers from Europe.

The \$20,000 Fellowships are open to eligible researchers from Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania and Bulgaria..

A two stage application process will apply this year.

Applications from *Hungary*, the *Czech Republic*, *Slovakia*, *Romania* and *Bulgaria* open on 1 September 2007 and close on **5 October 2007**.

Applications from *Estonia*, *Lithuania*, *Latvia* and *Poland* will open on 11 September and close on **19 October 2007**.

More information available here: <http://www.go8.edu.au/europe/research/fellow.htm>

Please submit applications to [Dr Don McMaster](#) at the Research Branch , The University of Adelaide.

#### ***National Archives of Australia's Ian Maclean Award***

We offer Ian Maclean Awards to individuals interested in conducting research that will benefit the archival and historical profession in Australia and promote the important contribution that archives make to society. The principal benefit of an award for the recipient is the opportunity to complete an innovative research project that may require travel or time away from their regular employment.

Applications should be submitted by **7 March 2008**

Details can be found here <http://naa.gov.au/about-us/research-grants/ian-maclean/index.aspx>

#### ***Australia - Malaysia Institute Grants and Fellowships***

The Australia-Malaysia Institute was established by the Australian Government in April 2005 to strengthen people-to-people and institutional links with Malaysia, and to deepen mutual understanding and cooperation between Australia and Malaysia.

The closing date for consideration by the Executive Committee at the next meeting is **30 October 2007**.

Further details can be found [here](#)

For all enquiries contact the Research Branch via [e-mail](#) or on extension #35137

### ***BHP Billiton Corporate Programs - Community Foundations***

Where BHP Billiton's presence in a country is significant, we often provide support for provincial or national programs in addition to local activities. In many of these instances, community foundations have been established. These foundations include external representation, often a community representative, to ensure a full understanding of the community's needs and an ability to identify appropriate projects to address the issues.

**Closing date is Thursday November 25.**

Further information [here](#)

Funding guidelines [here](#) (pdf)

### ***American Fund for Suicide Prevention***

AFSP offers five types of research grants:

- **[Distinguished Investigator Grants](#)** for up to \$100,000 over two years are awarded to investigators at the level of associate professor or higher with an established record of research and publication on suicide.
- **[Standard Research Grants](#)** for up to \$75,000 over two years are awarded to individual investigators at any level.
- **[Young Investigator Grants](#)** for up to \$75,000 over two years are awarded to investigators at the level of assistant professor or lower. These grants provide an additional \$10,000 (\$5,000 per year) for an established suicide researcher who will mentor the Young Investigator.
- **[Postdoctoral Research Fellowships](#)** for up to \$100,000 over two years are awarded to investigators who have received a Ph.D., M.D., or other doctoral degree within the preceding six years and have not had more than three years of fellowship support. Fellows receive a progressive stipend of \$42,000 in the first year and \$46,000 in the second, with an institutional allowance of \$6,000 per year.
- **[Pilot Grants](#)** of up to \$30,000 over one or two years are awarded to investigators at any level. These grants provide seed money for new projects that have the potential to lead to subsequent larger investigations.

Further information can be found [here](#)

Submission deadline is **1st December 2007**

All questions should be directed to Don McMaster either [via e-mail](#) or ext# 33347

### ***National Institute of Health -Methods of Statistical Analysis of DNA Sequence Data for Studies Relating Variation to Disease***

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) will encourage the development of novel methods of statistical analysis

of DNA sequence data in studies that aim to relate genetic variation to disease.

Details can be found [here](#)

Synopsis: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=14512>

Overview <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MH-08-040.html>

Applications close **17th December, 2007**

All questions should be directed to Don McMaster either [via e-mail](#) or ext# 33347

### ***Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation - Individual Research Grants***

The CDRF Individual Grants Program was founded on the understanding that effective treatments for acute and chronic spinal cord injury will involve carefully orchestrated multi-disciplinary interventions, each tailored to the individual patient.

More information can be found [here](#).

Applications must be submitted through the Research Branch and are due **December 3rd, 2007**

Please direct all enquiries and applications to Don McMaster via [e-mail](#) or through ext # 33347

### ***S.A. Department of Health - Strategic Health Research Program***

SA Health has made available funding in 2007-2008 for research that meets the research and information needs of the SA health system. Program status can be found [here](#).

Applicants must first register (forms can be found [here](#)) by **Monday, 22 October, 2007**

Expressions of Interest are due Monday **October 29, 2007**

Refer to this [flyer](#) (pdf) for detailed information

For all enquires contact Tim Anson via [e-mail](#) or on ext # 36329

### ***Muscular Dystrophy Association***

MDA supports research aimed at developing treatments for the muscular dystrophies and related diseases of the neuromuscular system. A list of related diseases can be found [here](#)

Applications due at the Research Branch, **December 15, 2007**.

Further details and on-line application form can be found [here](#) and the application policy can be found [here](#) (pdf).

Please contact Don McMaster ([don.mcmaster@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:don.mcmaster@adelaide.edu.au) or phone 33347) for information.

### ***Australian Respiratory Council (ARC) - Harry Windsor Research Grants Scheme 2008***

Several grants of approximately \$50,000 are being offered in 2008. Grants are available for projects submitted to the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) which are considered fundable but which do not reach the cut-off mark for funding in any one year.

CLOSING DATE FOR 2008 GRANTS IS **FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2007**

Further information can be found [here](#)

For all enquires contact Tim Anson via [e-mail](#) or on ext # 36329

### ***Chiang Ching Research Fellowship***

Funded by the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for Scholarly Exchange, ACLS offers a program of support for conferences and publications on "New Perspectives on Chinese Culture and Society."

This program is intended to support projects in the humanities and related social sciences that bridge disciplinary or geographic boundaries, engage new kinds of information, develop fresh approaches to traditional materials and issues, or otherwise bring innovative perspectives to the study of Chinese culture and society.

Information can be found here: <http://www.acls.org/cck.htm>.

Applications due **16 November 2007**.

All enquiries and questions should be directed to Don McMaster either [via e-mail](#) or ext# 33347

### ***American Philosophical Society - Franklin Research Grants***

Further information can be found [here](#)

Applications must be submitted through the Research Branch and are due **November 16th, 2007**

Please direct all enquiries and applications to Don McMaster via [e-mail](#) or through ext # 33347

### ***Horticulture Australia Limited (HAL) call for Projects***

Full details can be found on the flyer [here](#) (pdf)

HAL website can be found [here](#)

On-line application forms can be found [here](#)

All enquiries and applications to be directed to [Chelsea DuBois](#) (Ext # 33700) or [Paula Rosenbauer](#) (ext # 33388)

### ***2007 Crawford Fund Fellowship***

The 2007 Crawford Fund Fellowship will be offered to an agricultural scientist who is below the age of 35 and a citizen of, or who is working in, one the **following countries**: *Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma, Cambodia, East Timor, Fiji, Indonesia, Laos, Nepal, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Is, Tonga, Tuvalu and Kirabati, Vanuatu, Viet-Nam.*

**The closing date for nominations is Monday, 5 November 2007.** Nomination Forms and Terms and Conditions are available on The Crawford Fund website at [www.crawfordfund.org](http://www.crawfordfund.org)

If you have any queries about the Fellowship, **please contact**: Toni Langley, Senior Administrator, The ATSE Crawford Fund, 1 Leonard Street, Parkville Victoria 3052 Australia. Tel: (613) 9347 8427 Fax (613) 9347 3224  
Email: [tlangley@mira.net](mailto:tlangley@mira.net) Website: <http://www.crawfordfund.org>



## **CONFERENCES**

### ***International Conference on Education Leadership in Cultural Diversity and Globalization***

**8-10 April 2008**

The Faculty of Education Prince of Songkla University, Pattani Campus is pleased to invite all scholars and who are interested in education to participate in the International Conference on Educational Leadership in Cultural Diversity and Globalization to be held on April 8-10, 2008 at Phuket Graceland Resort and Spa, Phuket Thailand.

For more information on the conference, please visit our website [http://ed\\_lead.pn.psu.ac.th](http://ed_lead.pn.psu.ac.th)

### ***New Directions in Leukaemia Research***

Registration is now open for the **New Directions in Leukaemia Research** Conference to take place on the Sunshine Coast, Queensland, Australia from **March 30th to April 2nd 2008**. Attached is the NDLR2008 flyer listing our confirmed speakers.

Information, deadlines and conference registration can be found at: [www.ndlr2008.com](http://www.ndlr2008.com)

### ***IEEE CIS and Ram Conference call for papers.***

CIS-RAM 2008, call for papers for the 2008 IEEE International Conferences on *Cybernetics & Intelligent Systems* (CIS) and 2008 IEEE International Conferences on *Robotics, Automation & Mechatronics* (RAM) held from 3-6 June, 2008 in Chengdu, China

Papers must be written in English and should describe original work. Papers should be submitted in pdf format through the [online submission website](#) by **January 15, 2008**

Further details found [here](#)



## **Prizes**

### ***Dan David Prize***

The Dan David Prize annually awards 3 prizes of US\$ 1 million each for achievements having an outstanding scientific, technological, cultural or social impact on our world. The laureates annually donate 20 scholarships of \$15,000 each to outstanding doctoral students throughout the world, in the chosen fields.

Prize Nomination by: **30 November 2007**  
Scholarship Application by: **31 March 2008**

For further information on the Call for Prize Nominations and Scholarship Applications 2008 visit the website: <http://www.dandavidprize.org>

### ***The 2008 BioSA Bioscience Achievement Awards***

Nominations are now open for the 2008 BioSA Bioscience Achievement Awards. The Awards aim to recognise individuals involved in the South Australian bioscience community who have made important contributions to the development of the State's bioscience sector.

Nominations Close **Friday, 23rd November**. Details can be found [here](#) (pdf)

### ***2008 Prime Minister's Prize for Australian History***

We are pleased to advise that the Minister for Education, Science and Training, the Hon Julie Bishop MP has now announced 2008 Prime Minister's Prize for Australian History open for nominations.

Nominees must also meet the eligibility criteria outlined in the **2008 Nomination Guidelines** now available on the website at [www.dest.gov.au/pmhistoryprize](http://www.dest.gov.au/pmhistoryprize)

Nominations close at **5.00 pm on 20 January 2008**

For further information please contact the Secretariat at [pmhistoryprize@dest.gov.au](mailto:pmhistoryprize@dest.gov.au)

### ***Volvo Environment Prize***

The purpose of the prize is to acknowledge persons responsible for outstanding innovations or discoveries scientific, socioeconomic or technological which are of direct or indirect significance in the environmental field and which are of global or regional importance.

Nominations must be submitted before **December 1st 2007**

Further Details found [here](#)

### ***Pritzker Architecture Prize***

Nominations are accepted from all nations; from architects, writers, critics, academicians, government officials, architectural associations, or industrialists, who might have an interest in advancing great architecture. The prize is awarded irrespective of nationality, race, creed, or ideology.

Further Details found [here](#)

