

2007 - 2008 Annual Report

Australian Centre for Evolutionary Biology and Biodiversity



ACEBB is a nationally recognised centre of expertise in systematics, evolutionary biology and biodiversity science.



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Director's Report

The Australian Centre for Evolutionary Biology & Biodiversity (ACEBB) is a University-designated research centre that brings together expertise from three key organisations: The University of Adelaide, the South Australian Museum and the Department for Environment and Heritage's (DEH) Plant Biodiversity Centre, housing the State Herbarium of South Australia and Bioknowledge groups. ACEBB started operating in October 2000 and, with regard to outputs and outcomes, it has expanded every year since then.

The **Mission** of the ACEBB is to be a leading national and international centre for research and training in evolutionary biology and biodiversity science, with an emphasis on fauna and flora of Australia. It aims to:

- 1) Provide a focus for, and a recognition of, the high-calibre research already being undertaken by researchers in Adelaide;
- 2) Provide more secure funding and first-class infrastructure and integrated networking/coordination through collaboration among its members and with colleagues externally:
- 3) Attract postgraduates of excellence;
- 4) Be a focus for national and international visitors, and
- 5) Foster communication and ideas among members through seminars, discussion groups, workshops and conferences.

This Report covers the activities of the Centre during 2007 and 2008, a period which has seen the establishment of a number of new collaborations and activities begun in 2006. It has also been my pleasure during this period to take over the directorship of ACEBB from Prof Andy Austin, who has done a tremendous job in building up the centre from its inception in 2000. In addition this period covers an important expansion of ACEBB capabilities into new biodiversity science areas with the appointment of Prof Barry Brook and Associate Prof Corey Bradshaw within the School of Earth and Environmental Science. The activities of Prof Brook's and Associate Prof Bradshaw's Global Ecology Lab bring a range of new expertise to ACEBB in the areas of biodiversity and ecosystem analysis and modelling, particularly in the face of global change drivers such as invasive species and climate change. Prof Brook is also a new representative on ACEBB's management committee.

New appointment at ACEBB's partner institutes have also brought new capacity and direction to the centre. The appointment of Dr Mark Stevens at the South Australian Museum builds on ACEBB's strength in entomological systematics, but brings new skills in DNA barcoding and Antarctic biodiversity. The appoint of Drs Fred Gurgel (joint with University of Adelaide and SARDI), Jürgen kellerman and Hugh Cross at the State Herbarium of South Australia, build ACEBB's expertise in floral systematics but also add capability in marine macroalgae (seaweeds), DNA barcoding and ancient DNA analysis.

This report summarises the work and activities undertaken by members (both core staff of the University of Adelaide, joint appointments and affiliated staff from SAM and SHSA), postdoctoral researchers (25 postdoctoral staff and fellows) and students (58 PhD students during 2008) in the Centre, and provides details on research projects and grants (28 new grants in 2008, total value ~\$5M), publications (total of 138 peer-reviewed publications in 2007 and 133 in 2008, and including papers in internationally leading journals such *Science, Nature, TREE, PNAS, PLoS Biology, TIPS, Biology Letters* and *Proc. Roy Soc.*) and national and international collaborations.

Major new funding and project directions during 2007 and 2008 include:

An ARC Discovery project to provide insights in the macroevolution of lizards (Lee and Hutchinson \$914K) and limb loss in lizards (\$260K)

An ARC Discovery project (Brook \$740K) to reconstruct past population dynamics to understand human and climate impacts in prehistory and apply search theory to eradicating invasive species (\$245K)

An ARC Discovery project (Murphy and Austin \$358K) to study the evolution of the unique mound springs fauna of the Great Artesian Basin.

An ARC Discovery (Hill \$292K) to ascertain the role of atmospheric carbon dioxide in fostering hyperdiversity in Australian conifer palaeofloras

An ARC Linkage (Lee \$293K) to examine the Cambrian explosion of Australian arthropods

An ARC Linkage (Austin and Jennings \$273K) to study the systematics and coevolution of insect herbivores of casarinas

A number of ABRS projects were funded to examine the systematics of Metazoan parasites (Hutson and Whittington \$178K), Australian ensign wasps (Jennings \$176K), Australian geckos (Hutchinson and Donnellan \$99K), mound spring amphipods (Cooper and Murphy \$180K) and Australian scelionid wasps (Austin \$13K).

Major funding was also received by Profs Lowe and Brook through the National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility to participate in the Terrestrial Biodiversity node (total node funding \$1.6M).

On behalf of the members of the Centre, I would like to thank the following people for their help with the successful operation of ACEBB: Professor Bob Hill (Executive Dean, Faculty of Sciences); Dr Sue Carthew (Head, School of Earth & Environmental Sciences); Advisory Board members; Dr Steve Morton (Group Executive, CSIRO Environment & Natural Resources), Dr Ian Gould (South Australian environmental visionary and mining sector representative), Ms Susanne Miller (Director, South Australian Museum), and Mr Alan Holmes (CEO, Department for Environment and Heritage) and; Ms Maria Lekis, Annie Richard and Ramona Dalton for administrative support.

Professor Andrew Lowe ACEBB Director

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Membership

Management Committee

Professor Andrew Lowe. ACEBB Director. Joint position as Professor of Plant Conservation Biology, School of Earth & Environmental Sciences and Head of Science, State Herbarium and Bioknowledge, South Australian Department for Environment & Heritage

Professor Andrew Austin. ACEBB deputy director. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Professor Barry Brook. Sir Hubert Wilkins Chair of Climate Change, School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Professor Stephen Donnellan. South Australian Museum, and Affiliate Professor in Schools of Earth & Environmental Sciences and Molecular & Biomedical Sciences

Academic Staff and Affiliates

Dr Jeremy Austin. ACEBB affiliate. Deputy Director of ACAD, School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Dr Bill Barker. State Herbarium of South Australia, Department of Environment & Heritage

Associate Professor Corey Bradshaw. ACEBB affiliate. Joint position as director of the Marine Biology Program and with the South Australian Research and Development Institute

Associate Professor William Breed. Anatomical Sciences, Faculty of Health Sciences

Dr John Conran. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Dr Steven Cooper. South Australian Museum, and Affiliate Senior Lecturer in School of Earth & Environmental Sciences and School of Molecular & Biomedical Science

Dr Hugh Cross. State Herbarium of South Australia, Department of Environment & Heritage

Dr Jack da Silva. School of Molecular & Biomedical Science

Dr Mike Gardner. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Dr Fred Gurgel. Joint-appointment among the School of Earth & Environmental Sciences, State Herbarium of South Australia Department for Environment and Heritage and South Australia Research & Development Institute, Aquatic Sciences.

Professor Robert Hill. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences, and South Australian Museum

Dr Mark Hutchinson. South Australian Museum and Affiliate Lecturer in School of Molecular Biosciences

Dr John Jennings. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Jürgen Kellermann. State Herbarium of South Australia Department for Environment and Heritage.

Associate Professor Mike Lee. South Australian Museum and School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Dr Mark Stevens. South Australian Museum.

Associate Professor Ian Whittington. Joint appointment, South Australian Museum and School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Postdoctoral Fellows and Research Associates

- Dr Cecile Bacles. University of Queensland
- Dr Edward Biffin. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Ray Carpenter. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Leslie Chisholm. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Francis Clark. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Kerrie Davies. School of Agriculture, Food & Wine
- Dr Steve Delean. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Gaynor Dolman. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Lachlan Farrington. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Damien Fordham. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Michelle Guzik. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Mr Andrew Hugall. South Australian Museum and School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Kate Hutson. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Marta Kasper. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Rachael King. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- **Dr Remko Leijs.** South Australian Museum, and School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Dean Male. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Camille Mellin. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Nicholas Murphy. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Kym Ottewell. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- **Dr Rosemary Paull.** South Australian Museum and School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Peter Prentis. University of Queensland
- Dr Kate Sanders. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Adam Skinner. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Dr Gary Taylor. School of Earth & Environmental Sciences

Postgraduate Students	;	
Kym Abrams	Systematics and phylogeny of the Parabathynllidae (Bathynellacea, Crustacea) of Australia	A Austin, S Cooper, M Guzik, R King
Adam Allford	Biology and ecology of stygofauna in the Yilgarn region of Western Australia	A Austin, S Cooper
Wahi Azmi	Ecological aspects of aquatic invertebrate communities in tropical and temperate streams	J Jennings, J Facelli
Melissa Bauer	Sperm pleiomorphism in Australian native rodents	B Breed
Tessa Bradford	Modes of speciation in subterranean water beetles	S Cooper, A Austin
Andrew Breed	Assessment of the risk of introduction of Nipah virus to Australia via flying-foxes	S Donnellan

Aaron Camens	Diprotodontid palaeobiology and systematics	M Lee
Craig Costion	The Australasian Floristic Interchange. Tree barcoding, conservation, and evolutionary origins of the Australasian wet tropics flora	A Lowe
Siobhan de Little	Demography and control of disease- carrying tropical mosquitoes in northern Australia	C Bradshaw, B Brook
Wetjens Dimmlich	Spawning in anchovies	B Breed, M Geddes
Adam Dinsdale (UQ remote)	Phylogeography and landscape genetics of whitefly	A Lowe
Eleanor Dormontt	Why do only some exotics become invasive? Combining ecological and genomic approaches to address alternative hypotheses in a recent Australian weed.	A Lowe
Renate Faast	Pollination and reproductive success of terrestrial orchids: Implications of habitat fragmentation	J Facelli, A Austin
Nicholas Fuller	Population genetics and socioecology of bats (<i>Nyctophilus gouldi</i> and <i>N. geoffroyi</i>) in fragmented populations of south-eastern Australia	S Carthew, S Cooper
Jaro Guzinski	Genetic population structure in parapatric ticks	S Donnellan
Nerissa Haby	Does the inclusion of fine scale information to coarse parameter models improve population viability forecasts for small coastal and arid mammals?	B Brook
Julie Hagen	Behavioural ecology and population structure in the Solomons Islands prehensile-tailed skink	S Donnellan
Bert Harris	The interactive effects of habitat degradation and climate change on Southeast Asian and Australian birds	B Brook, D Fordham
James Hereward (UQ remote)	Host association, coevolution and gene flow in mirids	A Lowe
Salvador Herrando-Pérez	Factors controlling population size and extinction risk	C Bradshaw, B Brook
Margaret Heslewood	Phylogeography and biogeography of genera in the family Cunoniaceae in Australia	A Lowe
Christopher Izzo	Telomere based ageing of chondrichthyan & teleost species	S Donnellan, B Gillanders
Takeshi Kawakami	Systematics, phylo-geography and speciation of chromosomally diverse Australian morabine grasshoppers	S Cooper
Kim-Leang Loeun	Sustainable deep-sea snapper fisheries in New Caledonia	C Bradshaw

Andrew Lowther	Social and genetic factors shaping alternate foraging strategies within and between Australian sea lion subpopulations	S Donnellan
Jarod Lyon	Murray River riparian and in-stream habitat restoration	C Bradshaw
Fran McGillivray	Tracking phenological shifts and evolutionary impacts due to climate change	A Lowe, J Conran
Rohan Mellick	The affect of Quaternary climate change on the distribution of a rainforest gymnosperm (Podocarpus elatus) along the east coast of Australia using palynological and molecular evidence	A Lowe
Kate Muirhead	Biosystematics and biology of the Cotesia falvipes complex of wasps	A Austin
Trevor Nottle	Landscape Ecology in Street Trees	J Jennings
Liberty Olds	Comparative studies on native rodents in NW Western Australia	B Breed, D Taggart
Paul Oliver	Biodiversity and evolution of Australian geckos	M Lee, S Cooper
Elizabeth Perkins	Molecular systematics, phylogeny & radiation of Capsalidae (Monogenea)	I Whittington, S Donnellan
Sally Potter	Life history and population genetics of rock wallabies in the north Kimberley	S Cooper, D Taggart, M Eldridge
Luke Price	Systematics of the Australo-Papuan tree frogs	S Donnellan
Ihsan Abdl Azez Abdul Raheem	Systematic and evolutionary studies of the eastern and southern Australian clade of the genus Hibbertia Andrews subgenus Hemistema (Thouars)J.W.Horn	J Conran
Nicolas Rawlence	Moa evolution and ancient DNA	A Cooper, J Austin, M Lee
Terence Reardon	Systematics and biogeography of <i>Mormopterus</i> (Chiroptera: Molossidae)	S Carthew, S Cooper
Jolene Scoble	Novel approaches for assessing historical and contemporary vegetation condition in Australian rangelands	A Lowe
Ana Sequiera	Behavioural ecology of filter-feeding sharks: seasonal space use and foraging behaviour	C Bradshaw
Pranay Sharma	Integrating Morphological and Genetic Techniques for a Systematic Inventory of Zooplankton Communities in South Australian Drinking Water Reservoirs	S Mills
Udani Sirisena	Systematic studies on fringe lilies	J Conran
Mark Sistrom	The systematics and evolutionary history of the Gecko genus Gehyra in Australia	M Hutchinson, S Donnellan

Kate Sparks	Molecular systematics and ecology of the Monomorium rothsteini species complex (Hymenoptera: Formicidae)	A Austin, S Donnellan
Elisa Sparrow	Reproductive biology and genetical relationships in wombats	B Breed, S Cooper, D Taggart
Tasha Speight	Kidney disease in koalas	B Breed, J Haynes, D Taggart, W Boardman
Nicholas Stevens	Systematics of Australian agathidine wasps (Insecta: Hymenoptera: Braconidae); solitary endo-parasitoids of lepidopteran leaf-rolling larvae	A Austin, J Jennings, N Murphy
Christine Swann	The evolution and function of the zona pellucida in Australian rodents	B Breed, S Cooper
Nuttawat Tithipramote	Seasonal changes in germ cell production in bandicoot rats	B Breed
Sally Thompson	Systematics and biogeography of the parasitic wasp genus Oxyscelio (Hymenoptera: Scelionidae)	A Austin, S Cooper, J Jennings
Lochran Traill	Impacts of harvest under climate change; Conservation of tropical waterfowl in a changing environment	B Brook
Karleah Trengove	The ecology and management of reintroduced populations of the greater bilby, <i>macrotis lagotis</i> , in South Australia	B Breed, S Carthew, S Cooper
Daniel Walker	Potential control methods for the Western Cape Form of bridal creeper	J Conran
Thomas Wanger	Impact of land-use and climate change on amphibians and reptiles of Sulawesi (Indonesia)	B Brook
Harsha Wechaleker	Effect of whole body heating on sperm production in rodents	B Breed, E Peirce, M Ricci, B Setchell
Jessie Wells (UQ remote)	Spatial ecology of plant regeneration in secondary rainforests of the wet tropics	A Lowe
Rissa Williams	Novel treatments for Monogenea infecting commercially important finfish species in aquaculture	I Whittington
Maria Zammit	Studies into the Ichthyosaur Platypterygius lonemani (Reptila: Diapsida: Ichtyopterygia)	J Jennings, B Kear, R Norris

Research Groups

Evolution and biodiversity of Australian terrestrial arthropods

(Prof Andy Austin, Dr John Jennings, Dr Nick Murphy, Dr Kerrie Davies, Dr Gary Taylor)

This program comprises a series of projects that deal with evolutionary and biodiversity aspects of terrestrial arthropods. These include:

Evolutionary aspects of insect parasitoids, including the evolution of endoparasitism, polydnavirus associations, and host-parasitoid co-evolution

- Molecular phylogeny of the major groups of parasitic Hymenoptera using both sequence data and mitochondrial genome organisation
- Systematics of specific groups of Hymenoptera, including the Braconidae, Scelionidae, Gasteruptiidae, Aulacidae and Xiphydriidae
- Evolution and systematics of the Australian lycosid spider fauna
- Community structure of terrestrial arthropods in sclerophyll forest, semi-arid deserts, and guano cave systems
- Speciation, molecular phylogeny and co-evolution of *Fergusonina* flies and *Fergusobia* nematodes associated with galls on myrtaceous plants.

These projects have a strong systematics basis that utilizes traditional comparative morphological and molecular techniques, and they are underpinned by a comprehensive field program that supports a major insect collection, the Waite Insect and Nematode Collection.

Systematics of the Australian flora

(Dr W.R. Barker, Dr H.R. Toelken, Dr R.J. Chinnock, Mr G.H. Bell; Honorary Assocates, Professor H.B.S. Womersley, Dr D.E. Symon, Ms R.M. Barker, Ms P. Catcheside)

The State Herbarium coordinates with other Australian herbaria and systematists in advancing the knowledge of the Australian flora through advancing plant classification. Its work includes recognition of new species and resolution of species complexes in South Australia to more intensive revisions of the classification of genera and families in Australia or the Australian region. The latter involve traditional morphological study but increasingly involves collaboration with molecular researchers in other institutions. Current research projects include:

- Systematics of Australian Solanaceae
- Systematics of naturalised blackberry (Rubus: Rosaceae) in Australia
- A taxonomic monograph of the Myoporaceae.
- Systematics and evolution of Australian Scrophulariaceae
- Systematics and evolution of Stackhousiaceae
- A taxonomic revision of Hibbertia (Dilleniaceae)
- A taxonomic review of Australian Cactaceae.

Evolution of mammalian sperm and eggs

(Assoc Prof Bill Breed, Assoc Prof Steve Cooper, Em Prof Brian Setchell, Dr David Taggart, Dr Mario Ricci, Dr Eleanor Peirce)

Our research program mainly consists of a variety of studies on the evolution and diversity of mammalian gamete form and function. Present investigations include:

- Evolution of the sperm combining region on the glycoprotein egg coat, the zona pellucida, in marsupials and rodents
- Evolution of sperm form of muroid rodents especially that of species from the Australasian and southeast Asian regions
- Factors underlying the divergence of male gonad size and sperm numbers produced in muroid rodents
- Evolution of form, function, and molecular organisation of the sperm head cytoskeleton of Australasian rodents
- Molecular organisation and function of the marsupial sperm tail cytoskeleton.

Ancient DNA research

(Dr Jeremy Austin, Prof Alan Cooper)

The Australian Centre for Ancient DNA (ACAD) building is now close to fully operational and apart from the normal teething problems and construction glitches we are up and running. Dr Jeremy Austin (ACAD Manager) has done a sterling job in dealing with the various buck-passing manoeuvres that seem integral to any modern construction project. We're also pleased to announce we have obtained AQIS certification and can now move all of our materials out of the various fridges and freezers they have been sequestered in for the past year. The first three PhD students have arrived, (Laura Watson, Sarah Bray and Nic Rawlence) and have started their research projects. An honours student is also underway, through the School of Molecular and Biomedical Sciences genetics program with Jack Da Silva.

Along with Steve Donnellan, Alan Cooper obtained a LIEF grant (\$115,000) to increase the PCR capacity of the South Australian Regional Facility for Molecular Ecology & Evolution to cope with the rapidly expanding use of these facilities. So far, 15 Corbett Palm Cyclers and a Real Time Machine have been ordered and should soon be in use. Alan Cooper and Tim Flannery were awarded an ARC Discovery grant (\$470,000) on using ancient DNA to examine the environmental impacts of climate change and humans over the past 50,000 years.

Diversity, evolution and population dynamics of stygofauna from the Yilgarn Region of central Western Australia

(Dr Steve Cooper, Prof Andy Austin, Dr Bill Humphreys - WA Museum, Ms Kathy Saint, Dr Remko Leijs, Dr Chris Watts — South Australian Museum, Dr John Bradbury, Dr Michelle Guzik, Mr Adam Allford — University of Adelaide, Dr Stefano Taiti -Italy, Dr Joo-Lae Cho - South Korea)

This project involves a large collaborative team of scientists who are studying the diversity and evolution of a recently discovered subterranean invertebrate fauna (stygofauna) found in numerous (>50) isolated calcrete aquifers in the Yilgarn region of central Western Australia. The fauna comprises largely unknown species in diverse invertebrate groups including water beetles (Coleoptera), and crustaceans such as Syncarida, Isopoda, Amphipoda, Copepoda and Ostracoda. Our recent data from diving beetles suggest that stygofaunas within each aquifer may be highly endemic and we are exploring this possibility further using a combination of molecular genetic and morphological analyses of other components of the stygofauna, including amphipods, isopods (Haloniscus) and bathynellid syncarids. As part of an ARC Linkage grant, we are also developing rigorous sampling methods and studying the environmental variability within aquifers, based at a newly established field station at the Sturt Meadows pastoral property. A further aim of this project is to investigate the population structure/dynamics of diving beetle species using microsatellite DNA

markers. These investigations have important implications for the sustainable management of the aquifers and the stygofauna within them.

The Process of adaptation at the molecular level: HIV and the immune system (Dr Jack da Silva)

Progress in understanding the process of adaptation at the molecular level has been impeded by the lack of a mature population genetic theory of adaptation and by a poor understanding of the sources and targets of selection. One way forward is to model a system that is well understood at the molecular level and then use 'simulation experiments' to test hypotheses about which factors affect the rate and limit of adaptation. This approach has two main advantages: it allows manipulations that would be impossible, too costly, or unethical with real experimental systems, and it allows a reductionist approach to modelling that does not require the unrealistic or untested simplifying assumptions often required of more tractable (analytical) mathematical models. However, a major obstacle to this approach, when applied to the protein level, is that it requires knowledge of the fitness effects of all amino acids at all sequence sites. I solve this problem by using site-specific amino acid frequencies as correlates of fitness effects, and apply this approach to model the adaptive evolution of human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1). Simulations with this model are being used to investigate the effects of mutation rate, mutation bias, epistasis, pleiotropy, cell superinfection, and viral recombination on the rates and limits of adaptation at the molecular level.

DNA fingerprinting and wildlife management

(Prof. Steve Donnellan, Prof Amanda Goodman, Prof M. Henneberg)

This program aims to develop a range of DNA fingerprinting "tools" that will assist wildlife mangers to more efficiently monitor and protect wild populations of Australian and Melanesian reptiles, in particular the pythons and goannas which are much sought after by the pet trade. The research has utilised a range of genetic markers and revealed little appreciated aspects of the evolutionary dynamics of DNA fingerprinting "genes". The results have also provided detailed insights into the systematics of the pythons and goannas, in the case of pythons rejecting and in the case of goannas confirming previous notions of their origins. We are also investigating the reliability of DNA fingerprint profiles obtained from decayed carcasses and soil as part of establishing the markers for use in a wide range of forensic and archaeological settings.

Evolution and Palaeobiology of the Australian flora

(Prof Bob Hill, Dr Rosemary Paull)

Southern Australia is the best place in the world to study the effects of long-term climate change on vegetation. This is because Australia has moved through approximately 20° of latitude since it separated from Antarctica about 35 million years ago, and during that time this movement has had a profound impact on the global and, more specifically, Australian climate. The study of the effect of this climate change on the vegetation is made possible by the excellent preservation of Cainozoic plant fossils in central and south-eastern Australia. This has been coupled with physiological research on the nearest living relatives of the fossils so that a reconstruction of the reasons behind plant evolution and/or distributional change can be attempted. This program utilises the fossil record and the living relatives of the fossils to document the impacts of lowering temperatures and reduced water

availability on the vegetation of a large region. Such data are vital to our understanding of the potential impact of future, much shorter term, climate change.

Evolution and systematics of living and fossil reptiles

(Assoc Prof Michael Lee, Dr Mark Hutchinson)

Anatomical, palaeontological and molecular approaches are being used to address important questions in reptile evolution, including:

- The tempo and major divergences in squamates (lizards and snakes) based on nuclear genes.
- Diversity of marine reptiles in Australia's Cretaceous inland sea.
- Systematics of Australian agamids (dragons) skinks and diplodactyline geckos.
- Evolutionary mechanisms of limb loss in the diverse scincid lizard Lerista.
- Molecular phylogenetics of Australian elapid snakes.
- Phylogeography of arid zone geckos
- Fossil record of Australian lizards

Ecology and Evolutionary Genetics of Plants

(Prof Andrew Lowe, Dr Ed Biffin, Dr Kym Ottewell, Dr Peter Prentis)
Our researchers use the latest genetic techniques to investigate ecological and evolutionary questions helping inform pressing conservation issues. This is facilitated through our integration with the South Australian Department of Environment and Heritage, the State Herbarium and Bioknowledge.

- Gene flow between species hybridisation and weed adaptation
- Gene flow between populations historical range shifts due to climate change
- Gene flow between individuals population genetics
- The political and economic dimension of gene flow

Biology, systematics and evolution of marine parasites

(Dr Ian Whittington, Dr Leslie Chisholm)

The Monogenean Research Laboratory at The South Australian Museum and The Marine Parasitology Laboratory at The University of Adelaide focus on parasites of marine fishes. Of particular emphasis is the Monogenea, a class of flatworms with a direct life-cycle which chiefly parasitise skin, fins and gills of elasmobranch and teleost fishes. Elements of our research are especially relevant to South Australia because teleost fish reared in sea cage aquaculture in Spencer Gulf can experience parasite problems. Activities, therefore, of some Honours and PhD students continue to investigate features of the biology, epidemiology and treatment of Monogenea on kingfish, Seriola lalandi, in aquaculture. Currently, our research programs embrace several discrete projects investigating parasites of wild and cultivated fish species locally and also overseas. Recent studies have also involved identifying flatworm parasites using morphological and molecular genetic methods in captivity in public display aquaria and from fish farms worldwide to determine how widespread and how host-specific some pathogens are on a global scale.

• Life cycle parameters of the monogenean parasites Zeuxapta seriolae and Benedenia seriolae from Seriola lalandi in South Australian finfish aquaculture

- A survey of parasites from wild and farmed carangids (Seriola lalandi and S. hippos) in southern Australia
- Efficacy of potential chemotherapeutants against Monogenea of farmed Seriola species
- Stock discrimination of slimy mackerel (Scomber australasicus) throughout Australia and New Zealand using parasites, genetics and otoliths
- The southern fiddler ray, Trygonorrhina fasciata, as a model host to investigate parasitism of elasmobranchs
- Sharing of parasites among the Rhinobatidae (guitarfish; shovelnose rays) in southern Australian
- Phylogeny and evolution of the Capsalidae (Monogenea), ectoparasitic on a diversity of fishes, using morphological characters, molecular genetics and host associations
- Systematics of Monogenea (Platyhelminthes) from the sharks and rays of Malaysian Borneo
- Cryptic species complexes among pathogenic Monogenea on wild and cultivated warm water fishes
- Capsaline Monogenea (Monopisthocotylea) of large, cosmopolitan, migratory pelagic fishes: revisiting species composition, diversity and distribution of the parasites

All our studies are integrated to help us build a more complete picture about the evolution, associations and interactions between marine parasites and their fish hosts. A thorough knowledge of the biology of the parasites will help to develop methods by which they can be managed and controlled on captive hosts in public display aquaria and in aquaculture.

Go to http://www.adelaide.edu.au/environment/acebb/projects/ for more information

Collaboration

Members of ACEBB have very strong links with research groups around Australia and internationally. These have resulted in several initiatives, as well as numerous joint grant applications and co-authored publications during 2007-2008. Some of the major linkages with members of The Centre over this period are:

Andy Austin

- Dr Mark Dowton, University of Wollongong, Project: The molecular evolution and phylogeny of the parasitic Hymenoptera.
- Dr Mark Harvey, Western Australian Museum, Project: Development of an interactive key to the identification of Australasian invertebrate orders.
- Dr Bill Humphreys, Western Australian Museum, Project: The evolution and diversity of stygofauna associated with calcretes in the Yulgan region of Western Australia.
- Dr Norman Johnson, Ohio State University, Project: Systematics, phylogeny and higher-level classification of platygastroid wasps.
- Dr John La Salle, CSIRO, Entomology, Project: Development of an interactive platform for the identification of Australasian Hymenopteran families.
- Dr Jim Whitfield, University of Illinois, Project: Phylogeny of microgastroid braconid wasps.

Jeremy Austin

- Jim Groombridge, Durrell Institute of Conservation & Ecology, University of Kent, Project: Phylogeny of extinct Indian Ocean birds.
- Jane Melville, Museum Victoria, Project: Phylogeography of arid-zone reptiles.
- Paul Doughty, West Australian Museum, Project: Systematics of Australian reptiles.
- Nick Arnold, British Museum, Natural History, Project: Phylogeny of Indian Ocean island reptiles.
- Juan Sanchez, Institute of Forensic Medicine, University of Copenhagen, Project: Ancient human DNA.
- Melanie Lancaster, Department of Genetics, La Trobe University, Project: Ancient DNA from Macquarie Island to identify pre-European species.
- Gillian Gibb, Allan Wilson Centre, Massey University, Project: Mitochondrial genome sequencing of extinct birds.
- Ken Aplin, CSIRO Sustainable Ecosystems, Project: Phylogeny of Australasian rodents.

Bill BarkerDr P Beardsley, Idaho State University, USA, Project: Molecular studies in the sub-tribe Mimulineae (Scrophulariaceae).

- Mr Dwayne Estes, Dept of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, Knoxville, USA, Project: A world-wide taxonomic revision of Gratiola (Scrophulariaceae).
- Prof Michael Kiehn, Department of Biogeography and Botanical Garden, Vienna, Project: Chromosomal evolution of Stackhousiaceae.

Bill Breed

- Prof M Eddy NIH, Research Triangle, North Carolina, Project: Marsupial sperm tail cytoskeletal proteins.
- Dr Larry Heaney Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Project: Evolution of sperm morphology of murine rodents.
- Prof Tim Birkhead Dept of Plant and Animal Sciences, University of Sheffield, Project: Sperm cooperation and sperm motility in rodents.

- Prof Richard Oko Queens University, Kingston, Ontario Canada, Project: Cytoskeletal proteins in the sperm head of murine rodents.
- Dr Jamie Chapman Discipline of Anatomy and Physiology, University of Tasmania, Project: Glycoproteins of the marsupial egg coat.

John Conran

- Ms Jennifer Bannister and Dr Daphne Lee, University of Otago, New Zealand, Project: Fossil monocots from New Zealand.
- Prof Mark Chase, RBG Kew, Project: The molecular systematics and phylogeny of Australian monocots
- Mr Paul Forster, Qld Herbarium, Project: Systematics of Romnalda (Laxmanniaceae).
- Dr Jie Li Xishuangbanna, Tropical Botanical Garden, Kunming, P.R. China, Project: The molecular evolution and phylogeny of the Laureae (Lauraceae).
- Mr Allen Lowrie, Perth, Project: Evolution, systematics and biology of Australian carnivorous plants.
- Dr Terry Macfarlane, DEC WA, Project: Systematics of Australian Laxmannianceae.
- Dr Paula Rudall, RBG Kew, Project: The morphological evolution and diversity of Australian monocots.
- Prof Hiroshi Tobe, Kyoto University, Japan, Project: Evolution in the Smilacaceae.
- Mr Phillip Simpson, New Zealand, Project: Fossil palms in Miocene New Zealand.

Steve Cooper

- Professor Roger Butlin, University of Leeds, UK, Project: Population genetics and evolution of morabine grasshoppers, genus Vandiemenella.
- Dr Bill Humphreys, Western Australian Museum, Project: The evolution and diversity of stygofauna associated with calcretes in the Yilgarn region of Western Australia.
- Assoc Prof Mike Schwarz, Flinders University, Project: Social evolution and molecular systematics of allodapine bees.
- Dr Stefano Taiti, Istituto per lo studio degli ecosistemi, Florence, Italy, Project: Systematics of Haloniscus isopods from calcrete aquifers of the Yilgarn region of WA.
- Dr Mark Harvey, Western Australian Museum, Project: Systematics of moggridgea spiders from Western Australia.
- Dr David Paull, University of NSW, Project: Population genetics and evolution of morabine grasshoppers, genus Vandiemenella.
- Dr Joo-Lae Cho, International Drinking Water Centre, South Korea, Project: Systematics of bathynellid stygofauna from the Yilgarn region of Western Australia.

Jack da Silva

• Drs Kyle Summer and Tom McConnell, East Carolina University, Project: Evolutionary Dynamics of the DAB and DXB MHC II loci in Xiphophorus fishes.

Kerrie Davies

 Assoc Prof Robin Giblin-Davis and Dr Weimin Ye, University of Florida; and Dr Kelley Thomas, University of New Hampshire, Project: Speciation, molecular phylogeny and coevolution of Fergusonina flies, Fergusobia nematodes and their myrtaceous hosts.

Steve Donnellan

- Dr Chris Austin, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Project: The phylogeography of New Guinean reptiles and frogs.
- Dr Don Driscoll, Flinders University, Project: The impact on genetic diversity of drying of the palaeo-Lake Bungunnia implications for conservation genetics.
- Dr Paul Doughty, Western Australian Museum, Project: Systematics of the brood frogs.
- Dr Joe Benshemesh, Monash University, Project: Systematics and population biology of marsupial moles.

- Dr Ken Aplin, Australian National Wildlife Collection, Project: Systematics of the Australian and New Guinean vertebrates.
- Professor Arthur Georges, Canberra University, Project: Conservation biology of the broadshelled turtle
- Professor Craig Moritz, University of California, Project: Molecular systematics of the Australo-Papuan treefrogs (Hylidae).
- Associate Professor Michael Mahony, University of Newcastle, Project: Molecular systematics of the Australo-Papuan treefrogs (Hylidae).
- Professor Mike Bull, Flinders University, Project: Biology of Egernia group skinks lizards.

Bob Hill

- Dr Sung Soo Whang, Chonbuk National University, South Korea, Project: Conifer morphology.
- Dr Tim Brodribb, Harvard University, Project: Conifer eco-physiology.
- Assoc. Prof. Andrew Drinnan, University of Melbourne, Project: Plant macrofossil evidence for evolution of the Australian vegetation.

Mark Hutchinson

- Arthur Georges, Canberra University, Project: Conservation Biology of the broad-shelled turtle.
- Mike Bull, Flinders University, Project: Conservation biology of endangered lizards (Tiliqua and Egernia).
- David Chapple, Victoria University of Wellington, Project: Evolution of the Egernia whitii complex.

John Jennings

- Dr David Smith, Systematic Entomology Laboratory, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., Project: Revision of miscellaneous Pseudofoenus and Gasteruption spp. (Hymenoptera: Gasteruptiidae).
- Dr Nathan Schiff, USDA Forest Service, Center for Bottomland Hardwoods Research, Stoneville, Project: Revision of the Australasian wood-boring sawflies (Hymenoptera: Xiphydriidae).
- Dr Andy Deans, Department of Entomology, University of Illinois, Urbana, Project: Revision of Australian hatchet wasps (Hymenoptera: Evaniidae).
- Dr Alexandre Aguiar, Museu de Zoologica da Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil, Project: New Caledonian Stephanidae.

Mike Lee

- John Scanlon, University of NSW and Outback at Isa, Project: Early snake evolution.
- Mike Caldwell, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Project: Marine reptiles.
- Tod Reeder, San Diego State University, San Diego, Project: The deep scaley project (NSF Tree of Life grant).

Andrew Lowe

- Dr Maurizio Rosetto and Dr Darren Crayn, Sydney Botanic Gardens and Dr Pete Hollingsworth, Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh, UK, Project: Plant biogeography and population genetics.
- Dr Susanne Schmidt and Peer Schenk, University of Queensland, Project: Plant genomics and polyploid evolution.
- Prof Richard Abbott, University of St Andrews, UK and Prof Loren Rieseberg, University of British Columbia, Canada, Project: Weed genetics and speciation.
- Dr Stephen Cavers, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology, UK and Dr Carlos Navarro and Dr Bryan Finegan, Central American Tropical Research Centre, Costa Rica, Project: Tropical tree population genetics.

- Prof Antroine Kremer and Dr Remy Petit, National Agronomic Research Institute, France, and Dr Giovanni Vendramin, National Research Centre, Italy, Project: Temperate and tropical tree population genetics.
- Hugh Possingham and Yvonne Buckley, University of Queensland, Project: Ecology, biogeography, dispersal and weed population dynamics.

Gary Taylor

- Assoc Prof Robin Giblin-Davis and Dr Weimin Ye, University of Florida; Dr Kelley Thomas, University of New Hampshire; Dr Sonja Scheffer, Systematic Entomology Lab, USDA, Beltsville, MD, Project: Speciation, molecular phylogeny and co-evolution of Fergusonina flies, Fergusobia nematodes and their myrtaceous hosts.
- Matthew Purcell, Australian Biological Control Laboratory, CSIRO Entomology, Brisbane; Dr Greg Wheeler, USDA—ARS, Invasive Plant Research Laboratory, Ft. Lauderdale, FL USA, Project: Systematics and co-evolution of insect herbivores of Casuarina for development as potential biological control agents in Florida, USA.

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- Dr Graham Kearn, University of East Anglia, Norwich, U.K., Project: Biology and systematics of capsalid Monogenea from stingrays and teleost flatfishes.
- Dr Simonetta Mattiucci, Department of Public Health Sciences, Section of Parasitology, University of Rome "La Sapienza", Italy, Project: Identity of capsalid parasites from istiophorids in the Mediterranean Sea and Atlantic Ocean.
- Dr Andy Shinn, Institute of Aquaculture, University of Stirling, Scotland, Project: Image analysis and recognition of parasites using image recognition software.
- David Vaughan, Two Oceans Aquarium, Cape Town, South Africa, Project: Monogenea of elasmobranchs and teleosts in public aquaria.
- Dr Olivier Verneau, Parasitologie Fonctionnelle et Evolutive, Université de Perpignan, France, Project: Use of parasitic platyhelminths to study the early evolution of neobatrachian frogs.

Communication

The ACEBB website has been completely upgraded and revamped. It, together with ACEBB, has [as of 2009] been integrated with the Environment Institute with much effort by Martin Breed and Scott Mills from the Environment Institute. The website can be found at www.adelaide.edu.au/environment/acebb.html. It provides a portal into all of the activities of ACEBB, including information on members, research groups, grants and publications.

Seminars & Training		
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16 Mar 2007	The Grand and Otago skink recovery project Speaker: James Reardon, Grand and Otago Skink Recovery Programme Manager, Department of Conservation, Dunedin, New Zealand.	
28 Mar 2007	Molecular palaeobiology and the Cambrian explosion Speaker: Kevin Peterson, Dartmouth College, Hanover.	
	The role and program of the Australian Biological Resources Study -	
18 Apr 2007	ABRS Speaker: Cameron Slatyer, Director, ABRS, Department of Environment & Water Resources.	
22 Sep 2007	Disentangling the complex web of climatic change and human colonization on the flora and fauna of Pleistocene Australia Speaker: Professor Gifford H. Miller, INSTAAR Fellow at the University of Colorado.	
21-25 Jul 2008	National Postgraduate Training Workshop in Systematics Organising Committee: Andy Austin, Sarah Bray, Steve Donnellan, Michelle Guzik, Kate Hutson, Nick Murphy Sponsors: Australian Biological Resources Study, ARC Environmental Futures Network, ARC-NZ Research Network for Vegetation Function, Taxonomy Research & Information Network, ACEBB	
14 Oct 2008	Gymnosperms on the Tree of Life: Reconstructing the Phylogeny of Seed Plants Speaker: Sarah Matthews, Sargent Fellow, Arnold Arboretum, University of Harvard	
21 Oct 2008	Molecular genetic technologies to study population genetics and evolution Speaker: Pete Hollingsworth, Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh	
6 Nov 2008	Environmental Risk Assessment of Genetically Modified Crops Speaker: Alan Raybould	

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Hill, Robert	Funding towards appointment of chair of conservation biology	Category 2	DEH Research Grant	\$80,000.00
	Systematics and evolutionary history of the most successful Australian		Australian Biological	***
Hutchinson, Mark	geckos - Gehyra Metazoan parasite survey of selected macro-inshore fish of southeastern	Category 1	Resources Study (ABRS)	\$22,000.00
Hutson, Kate	Australia, including species of commercial importance	Category 1	FRDC Grant	\$27,151.00
,	Metazoan parasites of selected macro-inshore fish of southeastern	<i>G</i> - <i>y</i>	Australian Biological	, ,,
Hutson, Kate	Australia, including species of commercial importance	Category 1	Resources Study (ABRS)	\$60,000.00
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Izzo, Christopher	Telomeres: a novel and non-lethal chondrichthyan ageing method	Category 3	Sea World R&RF Inc. Rsch	\$4,375.00
Izzo, Christopher	Ageing sharks, rays and fish using non-lethal molecular methods	Not Specified	Grant	\$11,300.00
Izzo, Christopher	Changes in telomere length may provide a non-lethal means of		AAS Award	
	determining the ages of free-living chondrichthyan populations	Not Specified	Assetuslism Dislosies1	\$3,000.00
Jennings, John	Systematics of the Australian ensign wasps (Hymenoptera: Evaniidae)	Category 1	Australian Biological Resources Study (ABRS)	\$33,000.00
Jennings, John	Databasing WINC collection	Not Specified	APPD	\$20,625.00
Lee, Michael	Major Evolutionary Events in Reptiles (Including Birds)	Category 1	ARC Discovery	\$138,999.00
,	The puzzle of Metazoan life history evolution: are feeding larvae always		•	,
Lee, Michael	primitive?	Category 1	ARC Discovery	\$84,917.00
Lee, Michael	Biogeography and evolution of Australia's fossil reptiles: A global	Category 1	ARC Linkage International	\$10,396.00

	perspective		Awards	
Lee, Michael	The Cambrian Explosion of Arthropods in Australia: Ediacaran origins, evolution and biodiversity	Category 1	ARC Linkage	\$126,822.00
Lowe, Andrew	Genetic dynamics of lowland rainforest trees on islands in the tropical Southwest Pacific	Category 3	APSF Rsch Grant	\$15,000.00
Lowe, Andrew	Genetic delimitation and health assessment of threatened flora	Category 2	DEH Research Grant	\$57,870.00
	Why do only some exotics become invasive? Combining ecological and genomic approaches to address alternative hypothese in a recent			
Lowe, Andrew	Australian weed.	Category 1	ARC Discovery	\$172,000.00
	Developing biogeographic know-how: improving species divergence and dispersal estimations to examine geological and climatic			
Lowe, Andrew	evolutionary drivers	Category 1	ARC Discovery	\$90,448.00
	Evolution of the unique fauna of the Great Artesian Basin mound			A 2 (1 0 0
Murphy, Nicholas	springs: the impact of aridification and climate change.	Category 1	ARC Discovery	\$75,364.00
Ottewell, Kym	The Genetic Value Of Paddock Trees Vs. Remnant Vegetation For Revegetation/Restoration	Category 2	Native Vegetation Council	\$3,750.00
Potter, Sally	Reproductive biology and phylogeography of rock-wallabies in the	Category 2	ANZ Holsworth Wildlife	\$3,730.00
	Kimberley, WA	Category 3	Research Fund	\$1,875.00
Sirisena, Udani	Systematic studies on Thysanotus R. Br. (Laxmanniaceae)	<i>G J</i>	Nature Foundation of South	,
		Category 3	Australia	\$1,000.00
Sirisena, Udani	Systematic studies on Thysanotus R. Br. (Laxmanniaceae)		Biology Society of South	
		Category 3	Australia	\$1,500.00
Trengrove, Karleah	The ecology of the Greater Bilby (Macrotis lagotis): implications for	C 4 2	NFSA Grant	0 ///// 7
	confined populations Phylogogy and radiation of flaturary actorpressites from marine fish	Category 3		\$666.67
	Phylogeny and radiation of flatworm ectoparasites from marine fish using morphology and genetics, with novel approaches to identify			
Whittington, Ian	pathogenic species	Category 1	ARC Discovery	\$74,303.00
, mumgion, m	Marine flatworm parasites of elasmobranchs: a unique model for	cutegory r	The Biscovery	Ψ71,505.00
	experiments exploring invasion strategies, biology and specificity to help			
Whittington, Ian	understand parasitism	Category 1	ARC Discovery	\$63,688.00
TOTAL				\$2,499,541.17

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Investigator	member				
Facelli, Jose (UofA) Paton, David (UofA)	Austin, Andrew; Donnellan, Steve Lowe, Andrew; Hill, Robert	Population genetics and dynamics of orchids and their pollinators in fragmented landscapes of South Australia. Habitat reconstruction and restoration: securing biodiversity assets in the face of climate change.	Category 1 Category 1	ARC Linkage Working group within ARC Environmental Futures Network	\$149,696.00 \$19,000.00
Richardson, David (International)	Lowe, Andrew	Research for integrated management of invasive alien species; Using genetic techniques to improve understanding and management of invasive alien plant	Category 1	Working for Water Programme, South African Government	\$19,000.00
()		species in South Africa	International		\$216,000.00
Timmis, Jeremy (UofA)	da Silva, Jack	Analysis of interorganellar transposition of DNA	Category 1	ARC Discovery	\$86,290.00
Total					\$470,986.00

Non-University of Adelaide financed grants 2007

ACEBB		Funding		
member	Project Title	Type	Primary Funding Body	Amount
		Category 1		
Hill, Robert	Fossil evidence for the evolution of Australia's modern vegetation	Funding	ARC Discovery	\$20,000.00
	Unravelling the last great Gondwanan mystery: the first land vertebrate fauna	Category 1		
Lee, Michael	from the Tertiary of New Zealand	Funding	ARC Discovery	\$78,817.00
Stevens, Mark	Introduced invasive terrestrial invertebrates on Macquarie Island: studies on	Category 1	Australian Antarctic Division	
	ecology, origins and control	Funding		\$9,500.00
Stevens, Mark	Molecular studies of the origins and dispersal patterns of invertebrates in the	Category 1	Australian Antarctic Division	
	Antarctic and Subantarctic.	Funding		\$9,500.00
Stevens, Mark	Reseach Fellowship	International	NZ FRST	\$15,500.00
Stevens, Mark	Sir Robin Irvine scholarship (to assist PhD student research	International	Antarctica New Zealand	\$10,833.33
Stevens, Mark	Understanding, valuing and protecting Antarctica's unique terrestrial		FRST and Antarctica New	
	ecosystems: Predicting biocomplexity in Dry Valley ecosystems.		Zealand	
	International Polar Year (IPY)	International		\$202,250.00

Total \$346,400.33

Summary of funding 2007

Funding	Amount
ACEBB member principal investigator	\$2,499,541.17
ACEBB member not principal investigator	\$470,986.00
Non-University of Adelaide financed grants	\$346,400.33
2007 Total	\$3,316,927.50

ACEBB Funding 2008

ACEBB member principal investigator 2008

Principal Investigator	Project Title	Funding Type	Primary Funding Body	Amount
	Comparative phylogeography of mound springs-invertebrates:		ADCIT:-L. D	
Austin Androwy	identifying genetically divergent populations for conservation and	Catagory 1	ARC Linkage Project	¢10 101 00
Austin, Andrew	management Systematics and coevolution of insect herbivores on casuarinas:	Category 1	Grants	\$18,181.00
	testing phylogenetic congruence for selection of plant biocontrol		ARC Linkage Project	
Austin, Andrew	agents	Category 1	Grants	\$32,500.00
· , · · · · · ·	Systematics, biogeography and hosts of Australian scelionid	<u>.</u>		+ - 9 9
	wasps (Hymenoptera: Scelionidae):parasitoids of insects and		Australian Biological	
Austin, Andrew	spider eggs	Category 1	Resources Study (ABRS)	\$9,875.00
			Australian Biological	
Austin, Andrew	The national postgraduate taxonomic workshop	Category 1	Resources Study (ABRS)	\$3,000.00
Austin, Jeremy	Ancient dingo DNA	Category 2	DAFF Project Grant	\$103,591.00
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Austin, Jeremy	Bettong genetics	Category 3	Industry and Water	\$20,625.00
Azmi, Wahi	Effect of the removal of exotic willows on the invertebrate	Category 3	NCSSA	Φ10 7 100 00
	communities in the River Murray, SA			\$107,100.00
	Density regulation as a major determinant of population persistence: advancing empirical and theoretical approaches to		ARC Discovery Project	
Bradshaw, Corey	conserve biodiversity	Category 1	Grants	\$84,834.00
Diausilaw, Corcy	Reconstructing past population dynamics to understand human	Category 1	ARC Discovery Project	\$64,634.00
Brook, Barry	and climatic impacts in prehistory	Category 1	Grants	\$9,435.00
Brook, Barry	The Sir Hubert Wilkins Chair of Climate Change	Category 2	State Government Initiative	\$8,800.00
Dioon, Duily	Population structure of the Albany Pitcher Planet (Cephalotus	Category 3	State Soveriment initiative	ψο,οσσ.σσ
	follicularis) and its associated pitcher-inhabiting wingless fly	category 5	Sir Mark Mitchell Research	
Conran, John	(Basidis ambulans).		Foundation Grant	\$382,309.00
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Cooper, Steven	Development of Australian model systems for speciation research	Category 1	ARC Linkage International Awards	\$500.00
Cooper, Steven	Exploration of a new subterranean terrestrial ecosystem in the	Category 3	National Geographic	ψ300.00
Cooper, Steven	arid zone of Australia	Category 3	National Geographie	\$76,871.00
	Modes of speciation in subterranean diving beetles from calcrete		ARC Discovery Project	. ,
Cooper, Steven	aquifers of central Western Australia	Category 1	Grants	\$86,666.67
	Systematics of chiltoniidae (Amphipoda: Crustacea) in mound		Australian Biological	
Cooper, Steven	springs and calcrete aquifers of Western and South Australia	Category 1	Resources Study (ABRS)	\$12,000.00
Fuller, Nick	Population genetics and socioecology of Gould's long-eared bat	Category 3	ANZ Holsworth Wildlife	
	(Nyctophilus gouldi) and the lesser long-eared bat (N.geoffroyi) in		Research Fund	¢00 000 00
Fuller, Nick	fragmented populations of south-eastern SA and western Victoria Population genetics and socioecology of Gould's long-eared bat	Category 3	ANZ Holsworth Wildlife	\$80,000.00
runer, mick	(Nyctophilus gouldi) and the lesser long-eared bat (N.geoffroyi)	Category 5	Research Fund	
	in fragmented populations of south-eastern SA and western		Research Fund	
	Victoria.			\$6,500.00
Gardner, Mike	Development of pelican microsatellites	Category 3	Nature Foundation SA	\$124,907.00
Gardner, Mike	Population genetic structure of Sea Cucumbers (bêche-de-mer) in	Category 2	Seafood CRC	,
	Northern Australia			\$1,470.00
Gardner, Mike	Sexing markers for sleepy lizards	Category 3	Sir Mark Mitchell Award	
			(Tower Trust)	\$89,760.00
Gurgel, Fred	Marine botanist chair	Category 2	DEH Research Grant	\$75,000.00
	Discovering the past and present to shape the future: networking			
Hill Dahart	environmental sciences for understanding and managing	Catagory 1	ARC Research Networks	¢27 222 00
Hill, Robert	Australian biodiversity Funding towards appointment of chair of conservation biology	Category 1	DEH Research Grant	\$27,232.00 \$60,000.00
Hill, Robert	runding towards appointment of chair of conservation biology	Category 2	ARC Discovery Project	\$60,000.00
Hill, Robert	Global differentiation of the conifer flora	Category 1	Grants	\$53,021.00
11111, 1100011	The role of atmospheric carbon dioxide in fostering	cutegory r	ARC Discovery Project	Ψ23,021.00
Hill, Robert	hyperdiversity in Australian conifer palaeofloras	Category 1	Grants	\$94,701.00
,	Systematics and evolutionary history of the most successful	<i>C</i> ,	Australian Biological	. ,
Hutchinson, Mark	Australian geckos - Gehyra	Category 1	Resources Study (ABRS)	\$3,750.00
	Metazoan parasite survey of selected macro-inshore fish of			
Hutson, Kate	southeastern Australia, including species of commercial	Category 1	FRDC Grant	\$2,497.50

	importance			
	Metazoan parasites of selected macro-inshore fish of southeastern		Australian Biological	
Hutson, Kate	Australia, including species of commercial importance	Category 1	Resources Study (ABRS)	\$13,100.00
Izzo, Chris	Changes in telomere length may provide a non-lethal means of	Category 3	AAS Award	
	determining the ages of free-living chondrichthyan populations			\$2,370.00
Izzo, Chris	Population structure of the Port Jackson shark	Category 3	PADI Project Aware	\$4,000.00
Izzo, Chris	Population structure of the Port Jackson shark	Category 3	Sir Mark Mitchell Research	
	-		Foundation	\$217,260.00
Jennings, John			Plant Health Australia	
	Australian Plant Pest Database	Category 3	Project Funding	\$1,875.00
Jennings, John	Databasing WINC collection	Category 2	APPD	\$8,200.00
Jennings, John	Systematics of the Australian ensign wasps (Hymenoptera:		Australian Biological	,
C ,	Evaniidae)	Category 1	Resources Study (ABRS)	\$1,000.00
Lee, Michael	Evolutionary diversification and limb loss in Lerista lizards	Category 1	ARC discovery	\$113,886.00
	Insights into macroevolution using a model adaptive radiation of	<i>C</i> ,	ARC Discovery Project	
Lee, Michael	lizards (Lerista)	Category 1	Grants	\$22,000.00
,	The Cambrian Explosion of Arthropods in Australia: Ediacaran	<i>C</i> ,	ARC Linkage Project	,
Lee, Michael	origins, evolution and biodiversity	Category 1	Grants	\$60,000.00
	Unravelling the last great Gondwanan mystery: the first land	C ,	ARC Discovery Project	
Lee, Michael	vertebrate fauna from the Tertiary of New Zealand	Category 1	Grants	\$33,000.00
,	Developing biogeographic know-how: improving species	C ,		ŕ
	divergence and dispersal estimations to examine geological and		ARC Discovery Project	
Lowe, Andrew	climatic evolutionary drivers	Category 1	Grants	\$34,100.00
	Genetic dynamics of lowland rainforest trees on islands in the			
Lowe, Andrew	tropical Southwest Pacific	Category 3	APSF Rsch Grant	\$128,659.00
	Why do only some exotics become invasive? Combining			
	ecological and genomic approaches to address alternative		ARC Discovery Project	
Lowe, Andrew	hypothese in a recent Australian weed.	Category 1	Grants	\$666.67
Lowther, Andrew	The role of social and genetic factors in shaping alternate	Category 3	ANZ Holsworth Wildlife	
	foraging strategies in the Australian sea lion		Research Fund	\$3,750.00
MacGillivray, Fran	Tracking phenological shifts and evolutionary impacts of climate	Category 3	Australian Orchid	
	change		Foundation	\$11,000.00
MacGillivray, Fran	Tracking phenological shifts and evolutionary impacts relating to	Category 3	Australian Geographic	\$81,959.00

	climate change		Society	
	Evolution of the unique fauna of the Great Artesian Basin mound		ARC Discovery Project	
Murphy, Nicholas	springs: the impact of aridification and climate change.	Category 1	Grants	\$1,850.00
Ottewell, Kym	The Genetic Value Of Paddock Trees Vs. Remnant Vegetation		Native Vegetation Council	
	For Revegetation/Restoration	Category 2	-	\$250,000.00
Potter, Sally	Reproductive biology and phylogeography of rock-wallabies in	Category 3	ANZ Holsworth Wildlife	
	the Kimberley, WA		Research Fund	\$4,230.00
Scoble, Jolene	Identifying historic and contemporary refugia for semi-arid	Category 3	Australian Geographic	
	avifauna threatened by climate change across ecotones of intact		Society	
	and rellictual mallee vegetation in South Australia		·	\$125.00
Sirisena, Udani	Systematic studies on <i>Thysanotus</i> R. Br. (Laxmanniaceae)	Category 3	NCSSA	\$70,500.00
Trengrove, Karleah	The ecology of the Greater Bilby (Macrotis lagotis): implications	Category 3	NFSA Grant	,
,	for confined populations	<i>C</i> 3		\$182,393.00

TOTAL \$2,821,049.83

ACEBB member not principal investigator 2008

Principal	ACEBB				
Investigator	member	Project Title	Funding Type	Primary Funding Body	Amount
Carthew, Sue	Cooper, Steven	Conservation genetics of an endangered marsupial, the		Native Vegetation Council	
		Southern Brown Bandicoot in fragmented south-eastern South			
		Australia	Category 2		\$10,789.00
Carthew, Sue	Cooper, Steven	Conservation genetics of an endangered marsupial, the		Wildlife Conservation Fund	
		Southern Brown Bandicoot in fragmented south-eastern South		and Nature Foundation of SA	
		Australia	Category 2		\$11,688.00
		Conservation genetics and socio-ecology of marsupials in			
		fragmented populations of south-eastern South Australia:			
Carthew, Sue	Cooper, Steven	towards a regional biodiversity management plan	Category 1	ARC Linkage Project Grants	\$101,928.00
		Forecasting change in subtidal habitats: connecting local			
Connell, Sean	Gurgel, Fred	pollution with global climate in temperate Australia.	Category 1	ARC Linkage Project Grants	\$100,629.00
Paton, David	Lowe, Andrew;	Habitat reconstruction and restoration: securing biodiversity		Working group within ARC	
	Hill, Robert	assets in the face of climate change.		Environmental Futures	
			Category 1	Network	\$19,000.00
Timmis, Jeremy	da Silva, Jack	Analysis of interorganellar transposition of DNA	Category 1	ARC Discovery Project Grants	\$88,015.00
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Venning, Jackie	Brook, Barry	Research Institute for Climate and Sustainability, Executive Advisor	Category 2	PIRSA Grant	\$55,946.00
Total					\$387,995.00

Non-University of Adelaide financed grants 2008

ACEBB member	Project Title	Funding Type	Primary Funding Body	Amount
Brook, Barry	Applying search theory for eradicating invasive species	Category 1	ARC discovery	\$122,500.00
Stevens, Mark	Introduced invasive terrestrial invertebrates on Macquarie Island: studies	Not Classified	Australian Antarctic Division	Ψ122,200.00
,	on ecology, origins and control			\$9,500.00
Stevens, Mark	Molecular studies of the origins and dispersal patterns of invertebrates in	Not Classified	Australian Antarctic Division	
	the Antarctic and Subantarctic.			\$9,500.00
Stevens, Mark	Sir Robin Irvine scholarship (to assist PhD student research	International	Antarctica New Zealand	\$10,833.33
Stevens, Mark	Reseach Fellowship	International	NZ FRST	\$15,500.00
Stevens, Mark	Support collaborative Collembola systematics project	International	CNRS	\$35,000.00
Stevens, Mark	Understanding, valuing and protecting Antarctica's unique terrestrial	International	FRST and Antarctica New	
	ecosystems: Predicting biocomplexity in Dry Valley ecosystems.		Zealand	
	International Polar Year (IPY)			\$202,250.00
Brook, Barry;	Terrestrial Biodiversity - Adaptation Research Network	Category 1	National Climate Change	
Lowe, Andrew			Adaptation Research Facility	\$266,666.67
Total				\$671,750.00

Summary of funding 2008

Funding	Amount
ACEBB member principal investigator	\$2,821,049.83
ACEBB member not principal investigator	\$387,995.00
Non-University of Adelaide financed grants	\$671,750.00
2008 Total	\$3,880,794.83