Contributions

Contributions to Research & Innovation News (Research news, achievements and events) are always welcome.

For inclusions in the next issue, (due for publication in late September), please e-mail details to lhawes@uow.edu.au or vwallace@uow.edu.au by 13th September.

Innovation Campus to be home to a new $25 million facility to make buildings more energy efficient

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NEWS FROM THE GRANTS TEAM

Grant Outcomes

2010 Linkage Projects scheme (Round 2)

The Australian Research Council (ARC) has awarded UOW $1.6 million for research under the Linkage Projects scheme (Round 2), which is designed to promote links between universities, industry and the community, and provide advanced knowledge to address national research priorities. The successful UOW applicants are:

- Dr Jeff Moscrop, Professor Chris Cook and Associate Professor Sarath Perera (Engineering) received $460,000 for their project investigating improvements in superconducting fault current limiters, designed to protect and improve the availability of electricity grids and ensure reliable electricity networks.

- Professor Buddhima Indraratna, Dr Cholachat Rujikiatkamjorn and Dr Jayan Vinod (Engineering) were awarded $430,000 for research into sustainable waste management for the Australian mining and steel industry, in particular large scale recycling schemes for coal wash and slag.

- Dr Attila Mozer, Professor David Officer and Dr Tracey Clarke (Science) who received $324,000 for the development of an innovative solar cell architecture through the use of hot exciton dissociation to potentially increase the maximum achievable power conversion efficiency. The experimental results will significantly advance fundamental knowledge of organic solar cells and make solar cells more affordable. Dr Tracy Clarke was awarded an Australian Postdoctoral Fellowship-Industry (APDI) Fellowship as part of this project.

- Professor Willy Susilo, and Dr Zhiquan Zhou (Informatics) were awarded $240,000 for developments in embedded wireless communications software, used for such things as natural disaster early warning and personal health monitoring. This project will develop an effective and automatic technology to alleviate the difficulties in testing or debugging and achieve higher quality software.

- Associate Professor Peter Wyppy (Engineering) who received $150,000 for his project: “Development and modeling of dust suppression technology”, for mining and export infrastructure, aimed at reducing the risk of exposing workers and the community to unsafe concentrations of airborne dust.

The partner organisations collaborating with UOW researchers on the Linkage grants include: Austress Menard Pty Ltd (Sustainable Technology), BHP Billiton Ltd, Coffey Geotechnics Pty Ltd, Douglas Partners Pty Ltd, Port Kembla Port Corporation, Powerlink Queensland, Zenergy Power Pty Ltd, Konarka Technologies Inc, China Elite Communication Company Ltd, DuPont Australia Ltd.

More at http://www.arc.gov.au/media/major_announce.htm

Professor Linda Tapsell and Professor Will Price from Chemistry were also part of a winning team for an ARC linkage grant entitled “Slowly digestible, high antioxidant sorghum: a new wholegrain food paradigm to help combat type 2 diabetes”. Industry partners include Sanitarium Health Foods and George Weston Foods.

International Science Linkages – Science Academies Program

UOW researchers join 69 leading Australian scientists to be awarded travel grants under the International Science Linkages – Science Academies Program.

The program supports Australian scientists, to collaborate with international partners on leading edge science and technology to contribute to Australia’s economic, social and environmental wellbeing. Successful UOW researchers include:

- Dr Dianne Jolley will travel to France to collaborate with colleagues from the Institut Universitaire Europeen De La Mer, and the Université de Bretagne, on the project: Metals toxicity in marine microalgae: understanding the effect of metal exposure on the lipid composition of algal cell membranes.

- Dr Kara Perrow will travel to the Copenhagen University Hospital in Denmark for the project: Investigating the Protective effect of PAI-2 in Cancer.

- Dr Anthony Dosseto will travel to Stanford University in the USA to collaborate with researchers on his project: Quantifying past changes in sediment transport to study the response of our environment to climate change.

- Dr Martina Sanderson-Smith will travel to the University of Notre Dame in the USA for the project: Elucidation of the role of host-plasminogen activators in invasive group A streptococcal disease.

- Professor Xiaolin Wang will travel to Taiwan to collaborate with colleagues at the National Synchrotron Radiation Research Centre, and the National Taiwan University, on the project: Study of the electron spin states in newly discovered transition metal compounds.

For a full list of the grant recipients visit http://www.science.org.au/internat/SAP-participants-2010-11(Round2).html

URC Research Partnerships Grant Scheme

Round 1 of the 2010 Research Partnerships Scheme has now closed, with 7 applications awarded funding totalling $97,355. Details of successful applications can be viewed at: https://intranet.uow.edu.au/raid/rso/internalfunding/index.html.

The closing date for 2010 Round 2 applications is Monday, 25 October.

URC Research Infrastructure Block Grant (RIBG) Pool 2

The 2010 RIBG Scheme has now closed. Congratulations to all successful applicants.

Details of successful outcomes can be viewed at: https://intranet.uow.edu.au/raid/rso/internalfunding/index.html.

The 2011 RIBG scheme will open in April 2011.
**UPCOMING FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

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**Australian Academy of the Humanities**

In keeping with one of its central goals - to advance knowledge in the various humanities disciplines and foster excellence in humanities scholarship - the Australian Academy of the Humanities offers a range of grants and awards programmes. The internal closing date for this scheme is 26 July 2010.

For more information, please contact Elizabeth Phillips, in the Research Services Office on ext 4522 or eliza@uow.edu.au, or visit: [http://www.humanities.org.au/Grants/default.htm](http://www.humanities.org.au/Grants/default.htm).

**URC Small Grants**

Applications are now invited to the URC Small Grants Scheme which aims to support excellent researchers in the development of proposals for external funding and encourage new researchers to enhance their research profile by undertaking projects of modest cost. This scheme closes on 28 July 2010.

Researchers with projects supported under this scheme are expected to submit an application for external funding in the following year (e.g. ARC Discovery Project or NHMRC Project Grant).

For more information, please contact Danielle Annese, in the Research Services Office on ext 5874 or annese@uow.edu.au.

**Cancer Institute NSW**

The Cancer Institute NSW has funding opportunities available under several schemes including:

- Translational Health Service Research Grants (max $200,000 p.a.)
- Research Innovation Grants (max $50,000)
- Early Career Fellowships (max $200,000 p.a. x 3 years)
- Career Development Fellowships (max $200,000 p.a. x 3 years)

For more information, please contact Sharon Clarke in the Research Services Office on ext 5815 or clarke@uow.edu.au, or visit: [http://www.cancerinstitute.org.au/cancer_inst/grants/](http://www.cancerinstitute.org.au/cancer_inst/grants/).

**Ian Potter Foundation**

The Ian Potter Foundation is one of Australia’s leading private philanthropic organisations. The Foundation has a track record of funding projects led by far sighted individuals and organisations that improve the Australian community’s ability to respond creatively to social, environmental, science and health issues, and that develop our capacity as a nation through the arts and education.

For more information, please contact Elizabeth Phillips, in the Research Services Office on ext 4522 or eliza@uow.edu.au, or visit: [http://foundation.ianpotter.org.au/](http://foundation.ianpotter.org.au/).

**2010 Community Engagement Grants Now Open**

UOW’s Community Engagement Grants Scheme provides support for collaborative community projects that are beneficial for the University and community.

UOW’s Office of Community & Partnerships has announced that submissions for the 2010 grants are now open, with up to $50,000 allocated for this year’s projects. Staff, individual students and student groups are encouraged to apply for the grants, of up to $10,000 each, that support educational, research or outreach projects which enhance the University’s engagement with its different communities. For more information visit [http://www.uow.edu.au/about/community/cegs/index.html](http://www.uow.edu.au/about/community/cegs/index.html).

**ERA @UOW**

The UOW 2010 ERA data submission process is almost over!

The UOW ERA dataset was submitted to the ARC on 18 June. We are currently finalising the Background Statements and ensuring all digital copies of outputs selected for peer review are accessible through Research Online ([http://ro.uow.edu.au](http://ro.uow.edu.au)), in an ERA specific section not accessible to the public. The final submission process will close on 22 July. The ARC will publicly release outcomes of the ERA evaluations for all disciplines in 2011.

If you would like to know if your outputs are in the ERA submission, please go to your publications in RIS, select the publication and open tab ‘ERA Information’. All publications with a table following ‘ERA submission for 2010’ are included in the submission.

The ERA initiative has involved around 170 members of academic and general staff across UOW over the last 12 months. We appreciate all the hard work many members of staff have put in during this time.

Further information is available at [https://intranet.uow.edu.au/raid/era](https://intranet.uow.edu.au/raid/era) or by contacting Claudia Perry-Beltrame, on email:
eResearch is a broad term used to describe the utilisation of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) as a tool for enhancing research, including heightening efficiency, integrity and discoverability. The methodologies synonymous with eResearch have applications in all disciplines and are not limited to those traditionally associated with high-end computing. As an example, Dr Marji Puotinen (Earth and Environmental Sciences) recently required vast data storage for her project looking at the global interaction of tropical cyclones and coral bleaching from 1985 to 2007. The scale of this data storage is well beyond the scope of everyday IT provision and as such, a specialised solution was sought, found and implemented for Dr. Puotinen.

eResearch is not a new term to UOW although work to date that supports eResearch has been done largely behind the scenes. With executive level membership, the Research ICT Steering Committee was established and meets bi-monthly to discuss and plan matters relating to research data, research reporting and research IT. The establishment of a solid Governance structure such as this will ensure transparency and longevity to the UOW approach to Research IT.

UOW is now an official member of ‘Intersect’ – the NSW peak eResearch body. Leveraging of the knowledge and skills of Intersect, eResearch will be broken into three main streams; High Performance Computing, Research Data Management and Collaboration Tools. Within each of these main streams a number of core areas such as education and awareness, infrastructure and long term planning will be addressed. Funding has been received from the Australian National Data Service (ANDS) for a number of projects that will act as suitable pilots for eResearch methodologies at UOW.

Seeding the Commons: The first project to commence, “Seeding the Commons” will employ a staff member to assist UOW researchers in fully describing and promoting their research data sets to a global audience. The seeding the commons project officer will be in contact with all Australian Competitive Grant holders in the coming months to discuss how to best promote your research data.

Coming Events: eResearch conference – 8th – 12th November, Gold Cost. http://www.eresearch.edu.au eResearch @ UOW – Presentation about eResearch @ UOW and how you can be involved. Date to be advised.

Mailing List: If you are interested in eResearch, please send an email to e-Research@uow.edu.au to have your email address added to the mailing list

Contacts: Please contact Matt Perry, Research Systems Manager – X4795 or e-research@uow.edu.au for more information. claudiac@uow.edu.au or ph: 4221 4321.

Do you supervise higher degree research students?
Effective and successful HDR supervision is critical to the success of our students, ‘The Craft of HDR Supervision’ workshop is recommended for HDR Supervisors and will provide an outline of the importance of UOW policies and procedures and where they fit into effective supervision strategies/hits and tips on being an effective supervisor. Next (& last) 2010 session is 12th August.

Creating the 7 Secrets of Successful HDR Students (recommended for Supervisors)
You know what your higher degree research (HDR) student should be doing, but it just doesn’t seem to be happening. Despite your best efforts to set up good habits for your student, it does not work. This course gives you practical strategies to deal with common problems. Next (& last) 2010 session 23rd September.

Research Information System (RIS) training is recommended for all research staff.
RIS is a comprehensive, online system for managing research publications for UOW Staff and HDR students to update their own web profiles, add new publications, and use a CV helper function to create instant CVs. Next sessions available are 30th September & 18th November 2010.

Are you a busy researcher?
Are you writing proposals, getting ethics approval and dealing with the paperwork, meetings, applying for grants, getting grants and then managing the money and the people and writing reports?
The Balanced Researcher workshop will describe the most useful strategies that thousands of researchers have found helpful in balancing the many demands on their time.
Next (& last) 2010 session 23rd September.

Want to Develop Your Research Grant Writing Skills?
Day one of this workshop provides information and advice on preparing a successful grant application, including elements of a good application and practical grant application writing skills.
The second day (optional) provides participants with the opportunity to have their own grant application reviewed by experienced researchers.
Next (& last) 2010 session:
Day 1: Monday 20th September (9.00am-12.30pm)
Day 2 (optional); Friday 5th November (9.30am-12.30pm)

Need Some Tips for Tendering?
The Tips for Tendering workshop is recommended for staff currently participating, or interested in tender processes.
Next (& last) 2010 session is 22nd October.
The Networking and Initiating Research Partnerships workshop will focus on the benefits of effective networking, and how to use networking to support your research career and will include a panel discussion with experienced UOW researchers who will give some of their tips and tricks for becoming a successful networker.

Next (& last) 2010 session is 9th August.
The Managing Partnerships workshop will outline:
• What the industry partner will expect
• The chain of events from attracting an industry partner and initial discussions to contract negotiations and post-award project management.

Next (& last) 2010 session is 2nd September.
To register for any of these courses, Please follow this link https://intranet.uow.edu.au/pods/calendar/index.html
**HDR SYSTEM Update**

The online HDR application system is now up and running and work has commenced on the first phase of the HDR Scholarships Module.

Phase 1 will take data from the on-line application/Admissions system and will allow Faculties electronic access to application details. The major functionality of Phase 1 of the HDR scholarships module will be to remove the HDR Scholarships data from the existing Filemaker Pro database, and onto SMP (thereby removing much duplication of data entry). Basic reporting requirements will be included, as well as provision of data to a warehouse to allow ad-hoc reporting. The initial Ranking of Scholarship functions will also be included in this phase.

**Three Minute Thesis Competition**

The Three Minute Thesis Competition will be held on 2 September 2010. It will be an exercise in developing academic and research communication skills in our Higher Degree Research Students (PhD and Masters Research). The HDR students will have three minutes to present a compelling oration on their thesis topic and its significance in language appropriate to an intelligent but non-specialist audience. The UOW winner will compete in the National/Trans-Tasman competition to be held in Queensland on 21 September 2010. Great prizes to be won.


Contact person Mari Dwarte - mdwarte@uow.edu.au

**Free Seminars for HDR Students**

Are you a new or re-enrolling research student who would like to get some extra training in different aspects of research? The Higher Degree Research (HDR) Student Seminar Series is a free program specifically designed for HDR Students.

Some of the Seminars to be presented this session include: Endnote, Thesis Writing, Your Gateway to Research at UOW, Your Rights and Responsibilities to Your Research, Thesis Submission and Examination. Spring Session Seminars will commence in the week of 3rd August 2010. For further information go to: [http://www.uow.edu.au/research/rsc/news/seminars/index.html](http://www.uow.edu.au/research/rsc/news/seminars/index.html)

**HDR Student Enrolment Checking For Spring Session 2010**

All Higher Degree Research Students are asked to check their second session (Spring) enrolment to ensure that all enrolment details are correct (for example part time or full time thesis subjects and/or correct coursework subjects are listed). Please send any enrolment variations (leave of absence, change of status etc) to June Toussis, Enrolment Officer, Research Student Centre, Building 20 or email junet@uow.edu.au or for more information please phone 4221 5453. All enrolment changes must be processed by 31st August 2010.

**HDR graduands July 2010 graduation ceremonies 21, 22, 23 July**

Congratulations to the 73 HDR students who graduated at the graduation ceremonies in July.
2010 Trailblazer Winners Announced

The winners of the Annual Trailblazer competition were recently announced by UOW's Innovation and Technology Transfer team in collaboration with its research commercialisation partner, UniQuest. Staff and students from all UOW faculties, institutes and research centres were invited to submit their entrepreneurial ideas, early stage research or inventions and compete for a share of $15,000 in cash prizes.

This is the seventh year Trailblazer has been run at UOW. The competition stimulates entrepreneurial thinking and encourages students and academics to consider the commercial potential of their research.

Finalists had the opportunity to pitch their ideas to a panel of commercialisation professionals, with a little help from UOW’s ITT team members Dr Gavin Dixon, Tony Enright, Deon de Saldanha and Dr Tamantha Stutchbury.

Organisers said the overall quality of ideas and presentations by this year’s finalists were superb.

UniQuest’s Managing Director, David Henderson, said the competition rewards original ideas that have the potential to benefit the community, industry

Dr Katarina Mikac
Winner – Open Category
BugID card: instant insect diagnostics

A country’s greatest defence against invasive species is through early detection and surveillance. The BugID card is a simple test that provides quick identification of insect species of global biosecurity and/or agricultural importance. The BugID card is designed for use by non-technical experts who demand fast and reliable diagnostic solutions.

Assoc. Prof Garry Hoban
Runner Up – Open Category
Slowmation: Student-generated Digital Animations

“Slowmation” (abbreviated from “Slow Animation”) is a simplified way for students to make digital animations. They use their own camera and computer to make an animated mini-movie to explain a concept or tell a story. The process engages students and helps them develop understanding of a concept or story.

Tim Wray
Highly Commended – Open Category
The Art Collection Ecosystem

The Art Collection Ecosystem is an innovative and engaging social tagging platform that allows the exploration of art over the Web. It combines the collaborative intelligence gained from social tagging with a rich user experience that promotes exploration and discovery among art collections.

April Ash
Winner – Student Category
Virtu-Real - updating virtual visual displays in real-time

Virtu-Real is a method that aims to enhance ones’ experience of illusory self-movement through a virtual environment. This method simulates multiple sensory systems and updates the user’s head/body movements into the virtual environment in real-time, creating more realistic, interactive and engaging virtual gaming experiences.

Simon Meers
Runner Up – Student Category
Sleep Signal
A simple device to help regulate family sleeping patterns

Peter Sherrell
Highly Commended – Student Category
Hybrid Hydrogen Utilisation Device

Problems in storage and transportation have limited the uptake of HFCs. The integration of a hydrogen storage and fuel cell device dramatically decreases risk of hydrogen loss and explosion during transport. For car design this would save space within the car using only one device.
UOW 2009 Publications

Each year the HERDC collection of publications provides evidence of the efforts of UOW researchers in communicating their discoveries and innovations through scholarly publications. This year’s collection saw 2,832 papers entered into the Research Information System with 86% attaining a HERDC or UOW status. In terms of publications attaining a HERDC status, the total represented an increase of 12.5% against 2008 figures.

Thank you to all academic staff, publications officers and Library staff for their efforts in achieving this result.

Journal Citation Reports 2009 Impact Data Released

The most widely used tool for assessing the world’s leading journals, Journal Citation Reports(JCR) and the metrics it offers — including Journal Impact Factor — empower users to objectively evaluate a journal’s performance and its influence on research globally. This can assist researchers in identifying journals in which they may wish to publish or titles that they may need to scan regularly or establish alerts in areas of interest. JCR typically can determine the most frequently cited journals in a field, those with the highest impact, the largest journals in a field and those titles whose earlier issues continue to attract significant citations.

Featuring more than 9,100 of the world’s most highly cited peer-reviewed publications, the 2009 JCR includes 861 journals added through the Thomson Reuters Regional Content Expansion. This multi-year initiative aims to enrich the collection of regionally important and influential international journals represented in JCR.

Journal Citation Reports can be accessed via the Library website. For assistance using this resource please contact the Research Help Desk.

Video streaming on Research Online

Dr Eric Loo from the School of Journalism (Faculty of Creative Arts) recently worked with the Library and LIFT (Learning, Innovation, Facilities and Technology) to have his book ‘Best Practices of Journalism in Asia’ made available via Research Online (RO) (ro.uow.edu.au/creartspapers/42). The book includes a 60-minute DVD recording of conversations with newspaper editors from India, Philippines, Nepal and Malaysia.

The DVD was converted to a Quicktime streaming video, which was then embedded in the RO page. The streaming video conversion was facilitated by Ric Caladine and James Faughlin of LIFT. “I’ve made some interesting contacts from those who came across my book on RO through a Google search,” Dr Loo said. “The Quicktime video embedded in the page, and easily accessible, indeed, is most useful in providing a cultural context to the book.”

Research Online (http://ro.uow.edu.au/) is an open access digital archive promoting the scholarly output of the University of Wollongong.

Meet Dr. Long Nghiem

Dr Long Nghiem, a Senior Lecturer in the School of Civil, Mining and Environmental Engineering and the Head of Postgraduate Studies, talks to Ainsley Lynch from the Library.

Dr Nghiem completed his PhD at UOW in mid-2005 after working with esteemed researchers at both UNSW and Yale University. Later that year he worked on his Post-Doctoral research at University of Melbourne but returned to UOW in 2006 to take up his position of Lecturer, also receiving the Best PhD Dissertation award by the Faculty of Engineering. This year Dr Nghiem completed a Masters of Education at UOW, which reflects the importance he places on his teaching responsibilities.

Dr Nghiem’s research focus is on improving water quality with novel membrane purification technologies. “At the moment I’m looking at a few novel water purification technologies for water recycling and sea water desalination.” Dr Nghiem clarifies, “while chemists work on the actual membranes, as an engineer I seek to design the purification process using these membranes – designing the system in which they work.” Many issues need to be overcome in scaling from the lab environment to large purification plants, including energy efficiencies and managing waste.

Dr Nghiem has some advice for researchers starting out, “I encourage my students to find a niche area which complements other’s research.” He recommends scanning the current research literature carefully before choosing a research question, a task which your faculty librarian can help you with, and also positioning your research team as a partner, not a competitor, to other research centres. For researchers looking for a research focus, “You can also read up on developments in other locations, for example, North America and Europe and see how you can apply these new technologies or methods to Australian conditions.”

With over 40 peer-reviewed international journal articles published, Dr Nghiem is a prolific researcher and writer. His articles have received a great deal of interest with 550 citations by his peers. He advises budding researchers, “When you are ready to publish, think of it as gaining the highest return on your investment in time and effort. If you have written a high quality paper, aim to publish in a high impact journal, similarly submit medium quality papers in medium impact journals. You can usually use your gut feeling to work out the quality of your paper, but volume of data, the strength of your message and the novelty of your ideas are usually good indicators.”

Working hard, critically analysing information, and attention to detail are three keys Dr Nghiem believes are the secrets to his success.
Dr Nghiem was recently presented with the Vice-Chancellor's Research Excellence Award for Emerging Researchers and last year received the Vice-Chancellor's Faculty Early Career Academic Award for Outstanding Contribution to Teaching and Learning.

I asked him the secret to his success. "Balance", Dr Nghiem says is the secret. "I watched successful academics early in my career and noticed that they balanced teaching and research, and I tried to emulate this. Never compromise one for the other." Achieving this is sometimes difficult, negotiating to include your research interests in the teaching material means that teaching is of a high quality because you are discussing the latest developments, and this requires less conscious preparation. In June, Dr Nghiem had a consultation with Bernie Carr, his Faculty Librarian, primarily about his teaching and how he might be able to more effectively share relevant resources with his students using the Library’s Resources for Assignment web functionality.

"The role of the Library has changed," says Dr Nghiem, "no longer just the keeper of books, they are a resource processing centre which provides the platform from which to find all the information you need, a gateway." Dr Nghiem predominantly uses Web of Science and Scopus, "I can then either access the full text using the Find@UOW link or request it through document delivery." Tracking citations to his growing body of research is also an important strategy to develop a research network. Finding out who is citing his articles and in what publications, he can identify potential collaborators to take his research further.

The Library’s Research Training Librarian, Lucia Tome helps researchers with determining journal impact factors and offers Where to publish seminars to both HDR students and groups of academics through PODS or by request.

**New Research Staff**

**Dr Sarah Howard (Faculty of Education)**

My research interests focus on technology-related school change. Specifically, how teachers in different educational contexts understand technology integration in curriculum and teaching practice, and how these beliefs relate to school culture. I am currently working with the NSW Department of Education and Training (DET) to evaluate the Digital Education Revolution in secondary schools across NSW (2010-2012). In addition to working with NSW DET, I am collaborating with academics from the University of Sydney and Florida State University to conduct school-based research on technology integration in the United States and South Africa. I have come to the University of Wollongong from the University of Sydney, where I completed my PhD in Education and a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in the Centre for Research on Computer-supported Learning and Cognition (CoCo). I came to the University of Wollongong because the Faculty of Education has a strong reputation of quality research in educational technology. Prior to attending the University of Sydney, I was Chair of Fine Arts Department a private secondary school in San Francisco, California, USA.

**Dr Alison Moore (Faculty of Arts)**

I came to Wollongong to take up a full time position convening the English and Linguistics (ELL) program, which offers subjects like World Englishes, Systemic Functional Grammar, Language and Ideology, and Effective Academic Communication. ELL is a major that’s usually studied in conjunction with other subjects, and we have a lot of students who are studying Education or who are interested in becoming language teachers. Linguistics is discipline that is essentially collaborative too, and I currently work with psychotherapists, surgeons, pharmacists, educationalists, philosophers and other linguists in my research and on co-supervision of students. My latest paper is ‘Dissociation, relatedness, and cohesive harmony: a linguistic measure of degrees of fragmentation?’ (co-authored with David G. Butt, Caroline Henderson-Brooks, Russell Meares and Joan Haliburn) in the current issue of Linguistics in the Human Sciences.

**Dr Long Nghiem’s tips for...**

**Compiling literature reviews**

- Make sure you spend time learning how to use Endnote, because it will save you time.
- When searching databases, spend some time selecting the right keywords and alternative words to ensure you pick up the relevant information while leaving the rest behind.
- Use citations to find out who is citing a paper and look at their reference list – so you can track the line of the research.
- Learn to skim read!

**Keeping up to date with research**

- Regularly scan through key databases in my research field for new developments.
- I read a lot of papers which get sent to me as a reviewer for journals in my research area. As these papers contain the current research across the field, it’s easy to keep up to date.
A research monograph, by Dr Martin Gold, (UOW - Sydney Business School), will shortly be released by Edward Elgar, the leading UK scholarly press in the fields of finance, economics, business and management. The recent crisis in global financial markets has led to increased governmental scrutiny of the norms of fiduciary finance. This work provides coverage of topical areas including sustainable investment, financial markets structure and fragmentation (which has been linked to the recent “flash crash” in New York), the investment governance of retirement funds, hedge funds and absolute return strategies, sovereign wealth funds, and the likely outcomes of efforts to re-regulate the financial markets and participants.

Dr M.G. Michael, (School of Information Systems and Technology) has had his short stories published in Southerly, Australia’s oldest and most prestigious literary journal. The theme of Vol. 70, No. 1, 2010 is “Golden Tongues: The Arts of Translation”. Dr Michael’s contribution to this edition of Southerly was “Short Stories Off the Wing,” a selection of 21 stories, and can be found in pages 28-37.

Minister Garrett opens New Research Centre at UOW

Federal Environment Protection, Heritage and the Arts Minister Peter Garrett officially launched the Australian Centre for Cultural Environmental Research (AUSCCER), which has been established to undertake in-depth cultural analysis of Australia’s highest priority environmental issues, on 12th July at UOW. Cultural environmental research explores how humans interact with and understand the environment, drawing on experts in the fields on human and physical geography, science, environmental history, cultural studies and political ecology.

Mr Garrett said AUSCCER brought together experts from multiple discipiles across the university who could provide evidence-based information to help governments determine the best policies to protect the environment.

AUSCCER is located within the multi-disciplinary School of Earth and Environmental Sciences and has been established with funding from UOW and the Australian Research Council, which is supporting the centre by funding AUSCCER Director Professor Lesley Head through an Australian Laureate Fellowship (2009-14) and Professor Chris Gibson with an ARC Future Fellowship (2010-13).

UOW to be headquarters for new Co-operative Research Centre (CRC)

The Parliamentary Secretary for Innovation and Industry, Richard Marles, recently launched the headquarters of the new Energy Pipelines CRC at UOW. The Australian community is facing a substantial challenge because of increasing financial and carbon constraints that place a clear focus on future energy supplies. Energy pipelines are critical to this future.

The cash budget over a 10-year period for the project amounts to $28 million. However, taking into account the overall cash and in-kind input into the CRC from the Federal Government, industry and universities the budget involves about $6 million a year over 10 years.

The CRC will undertake research and provide education and training in four programs covering more productive materials, life extension and asset management, design, and public safety and security of supply.

The CRC is led by the Australian Pipeline Industry Association Research and Standards Committee (APIA RSC) and involves UOW, the University of Adelaide, Australian National University and Monash University. The APIA RSC consists of 43 Australian companies including major corporations and small to medium enterprises.

Pictured at the AUSCCER opening (from left): ARC representative Dr David Christie, Stephen Jones, AUSCCER Director Professor Lesley Head, Environmental Protection Minister Peter Garrett, Professor Chris Gibson, UOW Vice-Chancellor Professor Gerard Sutton and Member for Throsby Jennie George

The Parliamentary Secretary for Innovation and Industry, Richard Marles, pictured with the Chief Executive Officer of the new CRC, Professor Valerie Linton (left) and the Federal Member for Cunningham, Sharon Bird
Environmentally Aware Research and Practice

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Congratulations to Catherine Fargher, from the School of Journalism and Creative Writing, who recently received a nomination for the Annual AWGIE (Writers Guild) National Scriptwriting Awards for her radio play The Violin Player. Catherine’s play Dr Egg and The Man with No Ear has also received money from the Australian Council to tour to New York, Montreal, Vancouver, Cyprus and Prague in 2010-11. Part of the audio recording of The Violin Player can be downloaded from http://www.uow.edu.au/research/profile/UOW081322.html

Dr Rodney Clarke, Associate Professor at the Institute for Innovation in Social and Business Research (IIBSoR) was recently awarded an extended research grant from Karlstad University in Sweden, for his research into new communication methods for use in travel analysis. Dr Echeverri (Services Research Centre (CTF) at Karlstad Uni) was interested in applying Dr Clarke’s communication methods, in particular his elicitation theories for generating information from interview subjects, to understand how travellers use and value public transport. To develop this research and the methods to be used to determine how travellers use and evaluate public transport, Dr Clarke was funded by CTF to plan a joint research project with Dr. Echeverri in October 2009, and then received a six-month grant starting from 2010 to conduct the research. As the task grew and generated further research questions and opportunities, it became evident this was a much larger topic than anticipated. Achieving a complete picture would require additional papers and more research, leading to Dr Clarke recently being awarded an extension of a further six months to the original research grant.

Professor Sara Dolnicar and Professor John Rossiter from the IIBSoR have been invited to join a select panel of research advisors for Tourism Australia. IIBSoR was successful in a highly competitive open tendering process and will get the opportunity to assist Tourism Australia with its strategic research and marketing planning for the next five years as part of their preferred supplier panel. Tourism Australia conducts marketing campaigns and market research in 22 markets globally, and has built a reputation as one of the leading destination marketing organisations in the world.

Opening of the Illawarra Health and Medical Research Institute

The Illawarra Health and Medical Research Institute (IHMRI) was officially launched on the 20th July by NSW Deputy Premier and Health Minister Carmel Tebbutt, who predicted that the Institute would have a far-reaching impact on communities locally, nationally and overseas. The $30 million IHMRI research building at UOW contains purpose-built clinical trials facilities, sophisticated laboratories and other research facilities. IHMRI is a partnership between UOW and the South Eastern Sydney and Illawarra Area Health Service (SESIAHS) with a vision to provide excellence and innovation in health and medical research that will lead to better health services and a healthier Illawarra community. For more information visit http://media.uow.edu.au/news/UOW083525.html

At the IHMRI opening (from left): AHMRC CEO Professor Warwick Anderson, SESIAHS CEO Terry Clout, Vice-Chancellor Professor Gerard Sutton, Chancellor Jillian Broadbent, Deputy Premier Carmel Tebbutt, IHMRI Executive Director Professor Don Iverson and David Campbell, MP.

Another successful IHMRI collaboration wins $2.5m tender

NSW Minister Assisting on Health (Mental Health) Barbara Perry visited UOW on 21st May to announce the Illawarra Health and Medical Research Institute (IHMRI) as the successful tenderer to conduct a three year project to help treat people with personality disorders. Project leader for the new service, Professor Brin Grenyer, said IHMRI plans to develop innovative treatments for patients with personality disorders based on best research evidence. “Such support is significant because it will allow us to make these new integrative collaborative treatments widely available to a group in the community that have often been overlooked or misunderstood,” Professor Grenyer said. The project team will develop evidence based clinical guidelines for the treatment of personality disorders and those guidelines, in conjunction with a training package and a website developed during the project, will be rolled out to mental health clinicians throughout NSW. The project will commence within South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Area Health Service and Justice Health.
Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health), Barbara Perry (front row, second right) at the announcement ceremony with (front row from left) Professor Don Iverson, Professor Judy Raper and Mr Terry Clout; and (back row from left) Sue Baker-Finch, Professor Nagesh Pai, Susan Daly, Michelle Bradley and Professor Brin Grenyer.

The Annual International IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers) Symposium on Technology and Society was held at UOW 7th-9th June 2010, and hosted by the School of Information Systems and Technology, Faculty of Informatics. The theme of the conference was the social implications of emerging technologies with sub-themes including automatic identification, location services, social networking and nanotechnology with respect to privacy and security issues. According to the IEEE SSIT President Karl Perusich, the conference was a “resounding success” with international feedback pointing to the high quality papers that were presented, the caliber of peer review experts, the opportunities to network with researchers from across disciplines and across countries, and the intimacy and spirit shared by all at the event. The conference saw a number of academics and students from UOW present their research. A special thank you to Professor Gordon Wallace, Director of the Intelligent Polymer Research Institute at UOW, who set the tone of the conference with his opening keynote address. Stay tuned the conference web site will be populated with visual presentations, audio and video in the coming months http://www.uow.edu.au/conferences/2010/ISTAS/home/index.htm

Ms Sarah Jane Fusco, Associate Professor Katina Michael, Dr M.G. Michael and Ms Roba Abbas had a paper on location based social networking accepted into the 9th IEEE International Conference on Mobile Business which was presented in Athens, Greece at the beginning of July. This paper published empirical results on the perceived positive and negative impacts of using location based social networking technologies between friends, with a focus on trust in relationships. See related article published on ABC-Science Online where the research findings are discussed: http://www.abc.net.au/science/articles/2010/06/11/2922784.htm

Dr Yasmine Probst, an NHMRC research fellow with the Smart Foods Centre, launched her book titled: Food Portion Images for Dietary Assessment: Graduated food portion photos of Australian foods on 2 July at the Unishop. This book is a major contribution to dietary methodology and is one of the only books of its kind worldwide.

Endeavour award recipient Deborah Nolan (Smart Foods Centre) is due to return from Auckland University after her 6 month research interlude with Professor Lynne Ferguson of Nutrigenomics New Zealand, and Simon Sadler begins his Endeavour Award work in Thailand soon. Two of the Smart Foods Centre, Food and Health PhD students Elizabeth Neale and Deborah Nolan have had their research abstracts accepted at international conferences later in the year.

July has been a busy month for Languages and Literacy Coordinator, Professor Bev Derewienka. She recently gave the Plenary Address at the International Reading Association Congress in Auckland and, prior to that, the Keynote address at the National Conference of the Australian Literacy Educators Association (ALEA) and the Australian Association of Teachers of English (AATE) in Perth.

Launch of the Australian Character Study

On 17th June IERI (Interdisciplinary Educational Research Institute) officially launched the Australian Character Study. This prospective cohort study, led by Joseph Ciarrochi (pictured) and Patrick Heaven, and in collaboration with the Catholic Education Office and Department of Juvenile Justice, seeks to identify the temperamental and parental variables that predict the development of character in adolescence and, in turn, the role that developing character plays in promoting social, emotional, and productive well-being. In addition, this research will examine the risk factors for declining adolescent well-being and behavioural adjustment, and provide specific suggestions for social and emotional interventions that are tailored to the child’s temperament and to the parenting context. The Australian Character Study is innovative in that it seeks to understand adolescent development by simultaneously assessing the adolescent at multiple levels, including assessments of family and social environment, individual difference stability and change, and biology.

Congratulations to PhD student Catherine Wormald, who was recently awarded the Aust. Association for the Education of the Gifted and Talented (AAEGT) John Geake Outstanding Doctoral Thesis Award for 2010. Catherine’s thesis on the educational issues associated with giftedness coinciding with learning disabilities was selected in a blind review process by a panel of national and international experts in giftedness. Catherine will be awarded with the prize at the 11th Asia Pacific Conference on Giftedness which will be held in Sydney at the end of July. The award will be presented at future biennial conferences held by the AAEGT. The award has been named after Professor John Geake to acknowledge his contributions to the AAEGT and giftedness over a number of years.

Bridget Munro, Cara Mura and Julie Steele, from the Biomechanics Research Laboratory were successful in the following grant: “Do gender differences in cutting technique really exist? Implications for ACL injury prevention”, funded by the NSW Sporting Injuries Committee. Cara Mura is a current undergraduate Honours student in the Biomechanics Research Laboratory.
Faculty of Creative Arts Lecturer in Journalism, Siobhan McHugh, was keynote speaker at the Third International Radio Forum in Iran from May 25-28. The forum, hosted by Iran’s state broadcaster IRIB, was held at Zibakenar on the Caspian Sea, attended by guests from over twenty countries. Siobhan’s address included clips from her oral histories of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme, published in her book and radio series, ‘The Snowy - The People behind the Power’. ‘I wanted to show how major national stories can be told through small personal narratives,’ she said. ‘I was a bit apprehensive as to how well an Iranian audience would relate to an Australian nation-building event, but the clips I chose were universal stories, about migrants adapting to a new home, and workers taking on a challenging environment, which clearly resonated with the audience. Iran is a very mountainous country with its own hydro schemes, and they appreciated the little details that oral history provides, such as the time the Berriade pub fell silent when a Norwegian worker ordered a lemon squash!’ With 35,000 employees and 20,000 contractors, IRIB is one of the biggest broadcasting organisations in the world. Siobhan hopes to maintain links between Iran and the University of Wollongong, by sponsoring a young radio producer under the Australian government’s Endeavour awards. She greatly enjoyed her exposure to Iranian culture and history. ‘They’re a nation of poets and picnickers - extremely warm and hospitable people, with a vivid sense of history. We met some young students at the astonishing ruins of Persepolis, who told us they still cried about how the place had been sacked by Alexander the Great in 330 BC!’

Have you been travelling around Australia or internationally lately as part of your research? Send us your Travel Tale and snaps for the next ‘Travel Tale’ section – and inspire others to travel as part of their research!!!

Attention UOW Researchers:
The University is updating our database of experts. We want our researchers and academics to be quoted in news outlets around the world!
Our current database is used regularly by journalists and media to identify people to give comment on media issues, and can be found at: [http://www.skills.itc.com.au/index.asp](http://www.skills.itc.com.au/index.asp)
The media seeks comments about a huge range of topics so if you have expertise or specific knowledge in a particular area, please visit: [http://media.uow.edu.au/expertise/index.html](http://media.uow.edu.au/expertise/index.html) and fill in the form.
Anne Wexler Scholarships

A valuable new Scholarship opportunity is now available for Master’s students in Australia and the United States to study in the partner country for up to two years.

Two Anne Wexler Australian-American Public Policy Scholarships will be awarded annually and valued at up to A$140,000 each. One is for an Australian citizen to enrol in a U.S. Master’s degree program in Public Policy, and one is for a U.S. citizen to enrol in an Australian Master’s program in Public Policy.

The scholarships are administered by the Australian-American Fulbright Commission in Canberra, and funded by the Australian Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

For more details visit: www.fulbright.com.au/scholarships/AnneWexlerScholarships.html

2011 Higher Degree Research Scholarships

Applications for Round 1, 2011 APA, UPA and IPRS Scholarships close on 17th October. Scholarship ranking will be finalised by late November and all candidates will be notified in writing of the outcome by the Research Student Centre. For further information please contact Maree Buchanan on Extn 4323, or Kim Callaway on Extn 5525.

Hong Duc, Thanh Hoa - UOW Research Scholarship Program

Hong Duc University (HDU) and University of Wollongong (UOW), are jointly offering postgraduate research scholarships to qualified students from Vietnam seeking high quality research training.

Up to ten (10) PhD or Masters by Research scholarships will be provided per year scholarships per year to qualified candidates acceptable to UOW in research areas agreed with HDU, the student concerned, and UOW.

Selected Vietnamese students will enrol in a designated program at UOW and undertake research training to complete a Doctorate by Research degree within 3 years or a Masters by Research degree in 1.5 years. If the selected Vietnamese students successfully complete the requirements of the designated program and defend their dissertation, they will be conferred degrees from UOW.

For more information visit http://www.uow.edu.au/research/rsc/prospective/UOW083244.html

Leukaemia Foundation National Research Program Scholarships

We are delighted to announce that in conjunction with Cure Cancer Australia Foundation the Leukaemia Foundation will be offering THREE postdoctoral fellowships for projects commencing in 2011.

Successful applicants will be eligible for up to $75,000 salary and $25,000 consumables. The Foundation’s fellowships program aims to encourage talented young medical graduates and scientists to pursue a career in basic, applied or translational research to find better treatments and cures and better ways to care for patients and families living with haematological malignancies.

All applications for these Fellowships must be submitted via the Leukaemia Foundation. Application forms, deadlines and instructions for applicants are now available at www.leukaemia.org.au/web/research/researchgrants_applications.php

Applications for Leukaemia Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowships for 2011 close on 30 July 2010

Join us for news and information from the Research and Innovation Devision (RAID)

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http://www.twitter.com/uowresearch
http://uowresearch.wordpress.com/
RESEARCH SHOWCASE SERIES 2010

This URC lecture series will provide an opportunity to showcase some of the leading research conducted by the UOW’s, and introduce the researchers involved to the general campus and community.

Sandwiches will also be available for those attending. Audio recordings available on CEDIR site.


Current Schedule

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Application of Agency and other Theories to Collaborative Supply Chain Relationships |
| Wednesday 8th September | Prof. Xu-Feng Huang and Prof. Bob Moses                                    |
| Wednesday 20th October | Prof. Lesley Head – UOW’s Australian Laureate Fellow                          |

All Presentations will be held at lunchtime (12.30-1.30pm)  
Building 20, Lecture Theatre 2

UNI IN THE BREWERY 2010

We hope you can come along and enjoy a beer or wine at the Five Island Brewery, while listening to presentations about some interesting UOW research.

All staff, students and the general public are welcome and encouraged to contribute in discussion. The next presentation is:


When: Wed. 25th August, 5:30pm-6:30pm

Who: Prof Sandra Jones  
(School of Health and Behavioural Sciences)

“Everything I need to know about my health is on TV – but most of it is wrong”

In this presentation, Professor Sandra Jones, Director of the Centre for Health Initiatives, will discuss some of the key misinformation in the media, reasons why the media gets it wrong, and how we can more critically interpret the information we receive.

RESEARCH ETHICS

**Agenda Deadlines and Meeting Dates 2010 for your diary**

**Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) - Health and Medical**

Next meeting 14 September (agenda deadline August 25th)

Upcoming meeting 19 October (agenda deadline September 29th)

**Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) - Humanities, Social Science & Behavioural**

Next Meeting 16th September (agenda deadline September 1st)

Upcoming meeting 14 October (agenda deadline September 29th)

**Animal Ethics Committee**

Next meeting 23 September (agenda deadline September 2nd)

Upcoming meeting 28 October (agenda deadline October 7th)

**Gene Technology Review Committee**

Next meeting September 2nd (agenda deadline August 19th)

ARC Centre of Excellence for Electromaterials Science (ACES) Events

ACES have a series of events including two major symposia coming up over the coming months that will feature visiting researchers from across the world who are experts in their field.

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<td><strong>ACES AFM Workshop</strong> – AFM Techniques and their Application to Biology, AIIM facility, Innovation Campus, Wollongong.</td>
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A number of other workshops of interest are coming up:

For a complete list of all ACES events, including detailed information and registration details, go to: [www.electromaterials.edu.au/news/upcomingevents](http://www.electromaterials.edu.au/news/upcomingevents)

$25 million facility aimed at making buildings more energy efficient

The Innovation Campus will be the site of a new $25.1 million facility --Retrofitting for Resilient and Sustainable Buildings ("RRSB") -- that aims to make buildings more energy efficient.

The RRSB will be designed and operated as a world class environmentally sustainable building and will be an industry exemplar. The project will fully integrate with the existing environmental improvement programs of each of the major partners -- UOW, TAFE NSW-Illawarra Institute, BlueScope Steel (and other allied industries) and Housing NSW.

The new facility will deliver evidence-based practice in sustainable building technologies and design for southern hemisphere environments.

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), Professor Judy Raper said the research facility would provide the know-how needed to retrofit buildings to suit the Australian climate and make them more sustainable.

“It will set Australia on a course to become a leader in this field of research, which is currently dominated by researchers in the northern hemisphere,” she said.

The RRSB is one of only four NSW projects announced today by the Federal Government in its latest round of the Education Investment Fund (EIF). The new facility will be housed in a state-of-the-art building with a 6-Green Star rating that will include a series of research and teaching laboratories. Prototyping and testing laboratories will also be located at the TAFE NSW Illawarra Institute’s Yallah campus.

Sixty five jobs will be created constructing the facility. Once completed, it will attract 30 additional high-quality research students, 30 undergraduate students and 75 TAFE students a year in the area of sustainable construction.

Celebrating the announcement at the Innovation Campus are (from left) the Institute Director of TAFE NSW – Illawarra, Dianne Murray; Labor Candidate for Throsby, Stephen Jones; Member for Cunningham, Sharon Bird; and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), Professor Judy Raper.
UOWD Researchers Excel

UOWD researchers fared extremely well in the recent UAE National Research Foundation grant outcomes. Their success rate in the ‘competitive’ and ‘highly competitive’ categories was 83% (5 of the 6 full proposals submitted by UOWD), which was well above the national average of 58%.

The following grants have been rated as ‘Highly Competitive’** or ‘Competitive’*:

UOWD congratulates these researchers on this recognition, at a national level, of their research abilities and the quality of their particular proposals.

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UOWD researcher secures Emirates Foundation grant and receives UOWD Research Award at the Spring Graduation Ceremony 2010

Dr. Kathy Shen received an UOWD Research Award at the Spring Graduation Ceremony 2010 on her success as a Principal Investigator in gaining an Emirates Foundation grant of AED 179,712 for her project entitled “Social Networking Site Usage among UAE adolescents: Antecedents, Consequences, and Gender Differences” – with Prof Mohamed Khalifa (UOWD) and Prof Ping Zhang (Syracuse University, NY) as co-investigators.

The Emirates Foundation is a highly competitive granting scheme, one of the few sources of research funding in the UAE and this success is a credit to Dr. Shen and her co-investigators.

Organising a conference or workshop? Why not provide your delegates with copies of the University’s “Profiling our Research Partners”. This publication is a snapshot of many of our national and international research collaborations and showcases some of the very interesting projects. We have many copies available – just e-mail us (vwallace@uow.edu.au) with your request.

To ensure inclusion of your research news, event or service in the next issue of RaID (due for publication late September), please e-mail details to lhawes@uow.edu.au or vwallace@uow.edu.au by 13th September 2010.