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PART A - NEWS

1. Margaret Clayton - Women in Research Postdoctoral Fellowship 2008

Scheme Aim and Objectives

The Faculty of Science has established the *Margaret Clayton - Women in Research Postdoctoral Fellowship* to attract female early career researchers with outstanding potential to undertake research in areas of identified faculty research strength or emerging research potential, and to redress the dearth of women academics in the faculty. One award only will be made in 2007 (for 2008).

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- be female and undertaking research or have recently undertaken research in disciplines of relevance to the faculty;
- be no more than five years from the date of award of a PhD as of 31 July 2007; and have demonstrated potential to achieve research outcomes at an international level.

The fellowship is tenable only in the Faculty of Science at Monash University and it is expected that most of the time will be spent in the relevant school or centre.

Applicants **must** contact the head of the school in which they propose to undertake the research to discuss the proposed project.

Funding

The successful applicant will be appointed within the Research Fellow Level A range (currently \$60,019 to \$64,427) and will also receive superannuation and a contribution to relocation expenses. In exceptional circumstances an appointment at Level B may be recommended. Thereafter there will be annual increments, subject to satisfactory annual reports.

The school or centre in which the fellow is based is responsible for providing office accommodation and access to appropriate facilities and services necessary for the research program.

The research fellow will be entitled to annual research support of up to \$15,000 per annum, which must be fully justified in the project budget.

Further information/application forms:

www.monash.edu.au/research/academics/funding/information/monash/science-margaret-clayton-fellowship.html

Deadline for applications:

Tuesday, 31 July 2007 – with Tom Keegan; Manager, Research and Research Training, Faculty of Science, Building 19N, Monash University, Clayton, VIC 3800

2. Latest ARC Results for funding commencing 2007

The following results were released on Monday the 21st of May, 2007:

Linkage Projects (LP07), Round 2

www.monash.edu.au/research/contacts/research-office/news-events/arc-results.html

3. Research Office - News and Events

The Research Office maintains a page of news and events of interest to researchers at www.monash.edu.au/research/contacts/research-office/news-events.html

4. Monash Newline – Science and Engineering

www.monash.edu.au/news/newline/science+and+engineering

5. ScienceAlert – Australia and New Zealand

ScienceAlert is a website that delivers Australian & New Zealand science, technology, and innovation news to science, industry, the media, government and the broader community.

www.sciencealert.com.au/about-us.html

6. Science Matters – Department of Education, Science and Training

An online resource for those interested in the dynamic field of Australian Government science policy.

Science presents the latest research and innovation news from the Department of Education, Science and Training, from news of world-class Government-funded research to stories about the latest innovations transforming our lives.

www.sciencematters.dest.gov.au/

PART B - EVENTS

7. Monash events, seminars and information sessions

The Research Office maintains a page of upcoming events for researchers at <http://monash.edu.au/research/contacts/research-office/news-events/index.html>

8. Monash Research Office - ARC Rejoinder Information Sessions

Open to applicants of all ARC schemes, and particularly for the upcoming DP Rejoinder round.

Session 1

Date: Mon 18 June

Time: 10am-11.30am

Campus: Caulfield

Venue: Building H, Level 1, Theatre 25

Presenter: David Abramson

Session 2

Date: Mon 18 June

Time: 12.30pm-2pm

Campus: Clayton

Venue: Rotunda, Building 8, Theatre 3

Presenter: Peter Sullivan

Session 3

Date: Thurs 21 June

Time: 1pm-2.30pm

Campus: Clayton

Venue: Rotunda, Building 8, Theatre 3

Presenter: Michael Reeder

For further information:

<http://monash.edu.au/research/contacts/research-office/news-events/index.html>

9. Media training for scientists

Every month or two Science in Public hold a media training course for scientists. The course is suitable for anyone attempting to communicate complex, evidence-based ideas via the media.

We bring in three working journalists from television, print and radio to talk about their medium and how to get more science in. They will also interview each participant.

The courses are held in Melbourne and are limited to 12 people per course. Our next two courses are:

- Tuesday 19 June, Thursday 26 July

Further information:

www.scienceinpublic.com/mediatraining.htm

10. Global Foundation - *Australia Unlimited* Dialogue Series luncheon

The Global Foundation wish to invite you to participate in a *Australia Unlimited* Dialogue Series luncheon on climate change and clean energy presented by Dr Jim Peacock AC, Chief Scientist, Australian Government who will be joined by fellow panellists Mr David Hone, Group Climate Change Adviser, Shell International and Dr Martin Parkinson, Head of Secretariat to the Task Group on Emissions Trading.

Details for the luncheon are as follows:

Date: Monday, 25 June 2007
Time: 12.00pm – 2.00pm
Venue: Grand Hyatt Melbourne, 123 Collins Street, Lumina Room
Topic: A Carbon Trading Scheme – What it will mean for Australia
Panellists: Mr David Hone, Group Climate Change Adviser, Shell International
Dr Martin Parkinson, Head of Secretariat to the Task Group on Emissions Trading
Dr Jim Peacock, Australian Chief Scientist
Moderator: Mr David Miles, Honorary Adviser, The Global Foundation
Cost: \$90.00 per person (incl. GST & lunch)

Should you wish to attend please contact Megan Charles, Programs Manager at RSVP@globalfoundation.org.au

Please note places are limited to forty people.

11. MRGS Supervisor Accreditation – Level 1 - Workshop

Bookings are being taken for the Supervisor Accreditation Level 1 Workshop scheduled to be conducted on 28th June 2007.

Details are as follows:

Venue : Banquet rooms
(upstairs) Campus Centre, Building 10,
Monash University, Clayton campus

Registration : 8:30 am to 8:55 am

Workshop : 9:00 to 5:00pm with lunch break.

Open to : Monash Staff / Supervisors

Meals provided : Breakfast - Tea, coffee and cakes
Lunch - Buffet
morning and afternoon teas provided

Cost : \$110 + GST (GST is not payable if payment is made by internal transfer)

Capacity : 50

Contact : Anna.Lucas@adm.monash.edu.au

Please note that registration fees will be fully refundable up until 21st June 2007, after which they will then be **non-refundable** if a replacement attendee can not be found

Register at:

www.mrqs.monash.edu.au/seminars/bookings/

12. Faculty of Science - Supervisor Accreditation – Level 1 - Workshop

Bookings are being taken for the Supervisor Accreditation Level 1 Workshop scheduled to be conducted on **Monday, 9th July 2007**.

Details are as follows:

Venue : Lecture Theatre S9 and Tutorial Room ST1/25
Building 25
Monash University, Clayton Campus

Registration : 8:30 am to 8:55 am

Workshop : 9:00 to 5:30pm with lunch break.

Open to : Faculties of Science and Pharmacy Staff / Supervisors

Meals provided: Lunch

Cost : FREE

Contact : tom.keegan@sci.monash.edu.au

Register by sending an email to:

tom.keegan@sci.monash.edu.au

Please register no later than Tuesday, 3 July 2007.

13. Symposium on Contaminated Soil and its Remediation

The Victorian branch of the Australian Society of Soil Science, along with the Australian Contaminated Land Consultants Association, Monash University and the Centre for Green Chemistry have organised a symposium on CONTAMINATED SOIL AND ITS REMEDIATION.

The symposium will provide scientific and technical knowledge for people working with contaminated soils and their remediation and has been designed to fill the 'knowledge gaps' and create awareness of where these 'knowledge gaps' exist.

Date: Wednesday, 11 July 2007

Time: Registration 8:30 am, start 9 am - finish 5:30 pm

Venue: Monash University, Clayton Campus, Building 25, Theatre S1

Cost: \$140 for members \$180 for non members \$70 for students

Further information/registration form:

Please find the link under the section titled: "Events" on the Faculty of Science website at:

www.sci.monash.edu.au/research/index.html

Registration can be completed on-line at: SYMPOSIUM Contaminated Soil and its Remediation

For further information on the symposium please contact:

Emer. Prof. Robert White, President Victorian Branch ASSSI Mobile: 0417 583 342

Dr. Gemma Heemskerk, Secretary Victorian Branch ASSSI; BH: (03) 8341 2422 or M: 0415 295 095

For a query regarding the online payment system please contact

Linda Bennison, Executive Officer ASSSI Federal Office; 03 5622 0804

PART C - FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

14. Lindberg (Charles A and Anne Morrow) Foundation Grants

Grants of up to US\$10,580 (a symbolic amount representing the cost of the 'Spirit of St. Louis') are made in the following categories: agriculture; aviation/aerospace; conservation of natural resources – including animals, plants, water, and general conservation (land, air, energy, etc.); education – including humanities/education, the arts, and intercultural communication; exploration; health – including biomedical research, health and population sciences, and adaptive technology; and waste minimization and management.

A Jonathan Lindbergh Brown Grant are awarded to projects to support adaptive technology or biomedical research which furthers the vision of a balance between the advance of technology and the preservation of the natural/human environment.

Further information/application form:

www.lindberghfoundation.org/grants/index.html

Deadline for applications:

Monday, 4 June 2007 with the Monash Research Office

Thursday, 14 June 2007 with the Lindberg (Charles A and Anne Morrow) Foundation

15. Faculty of Science Overseas Travel Grants for Academic Staff: Round 2/2007

Faculty of Science Overseas Travel Grants for Academic Staff provide support for Faculty of Science academic staff to present papers at international research conferences located overseas. Up to \$1500 will be awarded to each successful applicant. In addition, grants of up to \$1200 are available for travel from Australia to Malaysia to promote collaborative research between staff in the School of Arts and Sciences at Monash University Malaysia and Faculty of Science schools based in Australia.

Further information / application form:

www.sci.monash.edu.au/research/travel.html

Deadline for applications:

Thursday, 14 June 2007 with the Faculty of Science office

16. Faculty of Science Postdoctoral Overseas Travel Grants: Round 2/2007

This is a scheme that provides support for Faculty of Science postdoctoral research fellows to attend international conferences or to conduct short research visits to other overseas research institutions where such activities can be shown to be of benefit to Monash University. Up to three (3) grants of \$1500 each will be awarded in this round.

Further information / application form:

www.sci.monash.edu.au/research/travel.html

Deadline for applications:

Thursday, 14 June 2007 with the Faculty of Science office

17. Retina Australia Funding Grants

Retina Australia invites applications for funding of high quality scientific/medical research relevant to causes, treatments, prevention and cure of retinitis pigmentosa and other inherited and age-related retinal dystrophies. Applications will be assessed in accordance with the following procedures and policy and any grant offered will be subject to the conditions of grant stated herein.

Further information/application form:

www.retinaaustralia.com.au/GrantDownload.htm

Deadline for applications:

Wednesday, 20 June 2007 with the Monash Research Office

Friday, 29 June 2007 with Retina Australia

18. Department of the Environment and Water Resources - Australian Antarctic Division - Australian Antarctic Science Grants

Scheme Aim and Objectives

In the years 2007/08 and 2008/09 Australia will be participating and leading some research projects in the International Polar Year. Further information about the IPY can be found at www.ipy.org.

Marine Science is the focus of the first year of the IPY programme for Australia (2007/08). During the second year the Australian IPY programme (2008/09) will focus our science programme on the Antarctic Continent, including at the three continental stations Casey, Davis and Mawson.

As it is expected that the 2008/09 season will include a number of projects deferred from 2007/08 there will be more competition for logistic support than usual, particularly at Davis and Mawson, so please consult the appropriate [Programme Leader](#) and/or [Planning](#) to discuss your project before applying.

In summary in 2008/09:

- The focus of the science programme is on strategic science on the Antarctic Continent, including at the three continental stations Casey, Davis and Mawson. (See the [Science Strategy](#))
- Short-stay strategic science projects at Casey will be possible using the airlink.
- Australia-based research on strategic science issues, including projects that utilise data held within the [Australian Antarctic Data Centre](#) are encouraged.
- Early career scientists are encouraged to apply.

- Please note that marine science projects requiring dedicated ship time in the 2009/10 season are required to apply in the 2008/09 round.

Eligibility

Applicants must be able to provide evidence of relevant research experience of a high order. The applicant's institution must have, and be prepared to provide for the applicant, the infrastructure (including administrative support) to support that component of the research to be undertaken in Australia.

Funding Amount

The total grant funds available to Australian University researchers is \$750,000. Grants up to \$30,000 are available for individual projects. Multidisciplinary projects may seek up to \$60,000 but applicants need to seek approval from the Chief Scientist prior to applying.

Deadline for direct online submission:

Wednesday, 23 June 2007

<https://secure.aad.gov.au/proms/aa/>

Further details on application submission process:

www.monash.edu.au/research/academics/funding/information/acgr/ausantarcticdivision.html

19. Faculty of Science Early Career Researcher Grants 2008

The Faculty of Science is committed to nurturing and supporting Early Career Researchers and in 2000 introduced the Early Career Researcher Grants scheme to provide seeding funds for junior staff who have yet to develop a strong track record. Up to three grants of \$20,000 each will be awarded in 2007 for 2008.

Further information / application form:

www.sci.monash.edu.au/research/ecr.html

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 29 June 2007 with the Faculty of Science office

20. DEST – Australian Leadership Awards - Fellowships

The Australian Leadership Awards - Fellowships are a component of the Australian Leadership Awards (ALA), a regional program under the Australian Scholarships initiative.

ALA Fellowships are for short term study, research and professional attachment programs in Australia delivered by Australian organisations.

ALA Fellowships complement the longer term ALA Scholarships providing opportunities to senior officials and mid-career professional who cannot leave their positions for extended periods.

The ALA Fellowships is a highly flexible program that offers Australian organisations opportunities to provide short term study, research and professional development activities in Australia for fellows from the Asia-Pacific region.

Fellows are leaders or mid-career professionals from the Asia-Pacific region who have the potential to assume leadership roles that can influence social and economic policy reform and development outcomes, both in their own countries and in the region.

ALA Fellowships are available across a broad range of fields relevant to Australia's foreign policy agenda or development outcomes within the Asia-Pacific region.

Applications relating to the following priority regional themes of international trade, pandemics, security and climate change (including clean energy) are encouraged.

Eligibility

Australian Host Organisations

Applications are restricted to Australian organisations demonstrating on-going linkages with counterpart overseas organisations in eligible countries (see below).

Australian organisations from a wide range of academic, research, business, industry, media, NGOs, professional groups and government may apply to host ALA fellows. To qualify, organisations will be required to demonstrate region-specific linkages and the relevance of the proposed programs to the priority areas.

Partner country counterpart organisations and individual fellows are not eligible to apply for support, however they may initiate contact with an Australian organisation to explore their interest in applying.
Fellows

Prospective Fellows identified by Australian organisations must be professionals already in leadership positions or have a potential to assume leadership roles that can influence social and economic policy reform and development outcomes, both in their own countries and within the Asia-Pacific region.

Individuals may consider applying for Endeavour Executive Awards [external website] or other study opportunities available under Australian Scholarships [external website].

Eligible Countries

Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Kiribati, Laos, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Nauru, Nepal, Niue, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Timor-Leste, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Wallis & Futuna.

Fellowship Program Cost Ranges

The size of the program and its number of fellows is not limited, nor are the number of countries from which they may be drawn. Fellowship Programs may be for one or more fellows from one country or from a cohort from a number of countries. However, broad geographic representation and coverage of priorities will be considered in the actual allocation of Fellowship awards. As a guide to budgeting, AusAID's award funding will be a maximum of \$35,000 per fellow inclusive all fellow and administrative costs. Any further program costs are expected to be the co-contribution of the Australian Host Organisation/Counterpart Organisation. Cost-effectiveness is one of the selection criteria for assessment of submissions.

Further information:

www.ausaid.gov.au/scholar/alafellow.cfm

Deadline for Round 2 applications:

Friday, 29 June 2007 with AusAID Canberra.

21. L'Oreal Australia – 'For Women in Science' Fellowships – new Australian prize

L'Oreal Australia is calling for applications for the inaugural For Women in Science Fellowships.

Three Fellowships are open to doctoral or post-doctoral researchers (within 5 years of completing a PhD) in the areas of life sciences, material sciences, mathematics and engineering. Prizes of A\$20,000 each are to be used to further scientific research or alternatively, can be used to cover child care costs.

Applications will open on 21 May 2007 and close 29 June 2007 and applicants must be Australian nationals or Australian permanent residents to apply.

A jury of inter-disciplinary scientists will review all applications and select the three Fellowships to be announced in September.

The Australian National Commission for UNESCO and the Australian Academy of Science are partners of the "For Women in Science" Fellowships.

Further information:

www.scienceinpublic.com/l'oreal.htm

Contact Megan Ryan at mryan@au.loreal.com

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 26 June 2007 with the Monash Research Office

Friday, 29 June 2007 with L'Oreal Australia.

22. Monash University and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)

Round 4 of the Collaborative Research Support Scheme (CRSS)

Monash University and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) announce Round 4 of the Collaborative Research Support Scheme (CRSS) which is jointly funded by the two organisations. The scheme provides seed funding only, not full project support.

The research project will be evaluated against the following selection criteria:

- The project must form part of a recognised or developing research collaboration between Monash University and CSIRO, building on synergies from co-location on the Parkville and/or Clayton campus;
- Preference will be given to applications where at least one of the Principal Investigators from either Monash University or CSIRO has less than 6 years postdoctoral research experience;
- The relevance of the proposed research project to the organisations' jointly identified priority areas (currently health, manufacturing, water and energy); and
- Multidisciplinary applications are encouraged.

For further information on Funding and Submission Requirements:

<http://www.monash.edu.au/research/academics/funding/information/monash/monash-csiro.html>

Deadline for applications:

Monday, 16 July 2007 with the Monash Research Office

23. Australian Academy of Science - Grants for international travel

The Australian Academy of Science is inviting applications for grants for short-term scientific visits (14 – 40 days) to Europe, North America (USA, Canada, Mexico) and Asia (China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan) in FY 2007-2008, to foster collaborations between Australian and overseas researchers.

This project is supported by the Department of Education, Science and Training's *International Science Linkages* - Science Academies Programme established under the Australian Government's innovation statement, *Backing Australia's Ability*.

Further information/application forms:

<http://www.science.org.au/internat/programs.htm>

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 20 July 2007 with International Programs, Australian Academy of Science

24. 2008 Endeavour Research Fellowships

The Endeavour Research Fellowships provide financial support for postgraduate students and postdoctoral fellows from Australia to undertake short-term research (4-6 months), in any field of study. The research is to be undertaken in participating countries within the Asia/Pacific region and the Middle East.

The Endeavour Research Fellowships aim to:

- enable high achieving scholars from Australia to undertake research within the Asia/Pacific region and the Middle East;
- further develop award holders' knowledge and skills in their field of research;
- strengthen bilateral ties between Australia and the participating countries;
- showcase Australia's education sector;
- strengthen mutual understanding between the people of Australia and the award holders' host country; and
- build international linkages and networks.

Value and duration

Payment Type	Amount
Travel Allowance	\$AUD5,000
Establishment Allowance	\$AUD5,000
Monthly Stipend (up to 6 months on a pro-rata basis)	\$AUD2,500
Total Award Value	Up to \$AUD25,000

Funds are **not** available to support accompanying dependants or for return visits to Australia.

Award holders must spend a minimum of 4 months and a maximum of 6 months at their host institution. The research project must be taken in one block, it cannot be broken into two or more visits to the host country.

Eligibility

To be eligible for an Endeavour Research Fellowship, applicants must:

- be citizens or permanent residents of Australia and physically resident in Australia (those holding dual citizenship or permanent residency status in their host country will not be eligible to apply)
- have a completed undergraduate degree that demonstrates high academic achievement
- either be enrolled in a Masters or PhD course in Australia or have completed a PhD
- demonstrate [English language proficiency](#)
- have a confirmation of acceptance or affiliation with the host institution.

Award holders must commence their approved programme and award during 2008. Applicants who have commenced or intend to commence their programme at their host institution in 2007 are ineligible for an award.

For further information/application form:

www.endeavour.dest.gov.au/awards_by_country/for_australians/research_fellowships.htm

Deadline for applications:

Tuesday, 31 July 2007 with DEST

25. Seafood Development Industry Fund (SIDF)

The Seafood Industry Development Fund (SIDF) has been set up, with the assistance of the Fisheries research and Development Corporation (FRDC,) to help the seafood industry to improve its profitability, international competitiveness and social resilience.

Applications are evaluated by the SIDF Project Evaluation Panel (PEP) four times each year, normally within one month after each of the closing dates. The PEP recommends, to the FRDC, applications that should be approved for FRDC funding.

Funding

For projects seeking SIDF funding of \$5,000 or less, the PEP will make its decision based on the information you have included in the FRDC pre-proposal form. The PEP may either:

- reject your application, or
- seek a revised application addressing specific issues raised by the PEP, or
- recommend to FRDC that your application be approved subject to any conditions that may be identified by the PEP.

For projects seeking SIDF funding between \$5,001 and \$30,000, the PEP will evaluate your application based on the information you have included in the PRDC pre-application form. The PEP may either:

reject your application, or
seek a revised application addressing specific issues raised by the PEP, or
invite you to submit a full application addressing any issues that may be identified by the PEP.

The maximum total SIDF funding available for any project is \$30,000. Applications seeking more than \$30,000 will not be evaluated

Further information/application form:

www.seafoodservices.com.au/sidf/

Deadline for applications:

Monday, 23 July 2007 – with the Monash Research Office

Wednesday, 1 August 2007 – with the Seafood Development Industry Fund

or

Tuesday, 23 October 2007 – with the Monash Research Office

Thursday, 1 November 2007 – with the Seafood Development Industry Fund

26. NHMRC Program Grants – Round 2, 2007

NHMRC is changing the timing for submission of applications, and for the peer review process, for Program Grants. Teams wishing to apply for grants to begin on 1 January 2009, may apply either: (a) later this year (closing date of 24 August 2007), for a decision in late 2007 (this will avoid successful applicants needing to write a back up project grant application in early 2008); or (b) by the usual time (February 2008).

Further advice on the specific timelines for the process will be available in early June. All documentation relating to the second round of applications, including the Funding Policy, Application Form and the Guide for Applicants, will be available on the NHMRC website by late June 2007.

For further information/forms:

www.monash.edu.au/research/academics/funding/information/nhmrc/nhmrc-programgrant.html

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 10 August 2007 with the Monash Research Office

Friday, 24 August 2007 with NHMRC

27. Australia – Germany Joint Research Co-operation Scheme

The scheme is a joint initiative of the Group of Eight (Go8) universities and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) to support exchanges for Australian researchers to spend time at partner institutions in Germany and for collaborating German researchers to spend time at Go8 universities.

The scheme is open to Go8 researchers/research groups in all academic fields involved in a collaborative project with German research partners. For exchanges occurring in 2008, the DAAD has indicated that it will particularly welcome applications from the natural and engineering sciences.

For further information/application forms:

www.monash.edu.au/research/contacts/research-office/weekly/05-06-2007.html

www.go8.edu.au/europe/research/Go8DAADexchange.htm

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 31 August 2007 – with the Monash Research Office

Friday, 14 September 2007 – with the granting body

28. Research Grants Seminar presented by the Canadian High Commission

Presenters presented grant opportunities offered by the Canadian government's three Research Councils: the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC); the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and the National Research Council (NRC).

Post-doctoral fellowships are also available.

The Canadian Research Grants Seminar (held on 23 May 2007) presentation slides can be downloaded from:

www.monash.edu.au/research/contacts/research-office/news-events/materials/canada-science-eng-health.ppt

PART D - AWARDS AND PRIZES

29. Fresh Science 2007

Know any early-career scientists who have done good work that has not received any media coverage?

Nominations for Fresh Science will open in May.

We choose 16 early-career scientists, fly them to Melbourne and throw them into a boot camp of science communication. They'll talk to government, business, school students and the media over the week-long event. Their stories will receive wide media coverage in Australia and some overseas.

Fresh Science will take place the week before Science Week, 13 to 16 August 2007.

Further information/nomination form:

www.freshscience.org

Deadline for nominations:

9am Friday, 15 June 2007 – through the Monash Research Office

5pm Friday, 15 June 2007 with Fresh Science (nominations@freshscience.org)

30. 2007 – 2008 Young Tall Poppy Science Awards

The Tall Poppy Campaign was established by the Australian Institute of Policy & Science to promote awareness of Australia's intellectual achievements. An important component of the Campaign is the Young Tall Poppy Science Awards which recognise the achievements of outstanding young researchers in the sciences including physical, biomedical, applied sciences, engineering and technology.

Eligibility

The awards in 2007 are open to residents of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia working in all fields of science, including the biomedical, physical and applied sciences.

Nominees should be either postgraduate who are close to completing or having completed a doctoral degree within the past 10 years.

Nominees should have undertaken the majority of their postgraduate, doctoral and post-doctoral research in Australia, and/or be committed to carrying out their research in Australia in coming years.

Only individual scientists are eligible.

Self-nominations are not eligible.

Nominees must be citizens of Australia or hold Australian Permanent Residency status.

Benefits

Opportunity for Young Tall Poppies to act as 'ambassadors' for science by encouraging interest in scientific careers and keeping science at the forefront of the public agenda.

Profiling younger Australian researchers, their areas of specialisation and their university of research institute in the community.

Opportunity to meet with Ministers, politicians, leading scientists, corporate, academia and science policy makers through the Tall Poppy Campaign events, and more...

Further information/application form:

<http://www.tallpoppies.net.au/awards/2007>

Deadline for applications:

Thursday, 2 August 2007 with the Tall Poppy Campaign

31. Wolf Foundation – Prizes in Sciences and Arts

Five or six prizes of \$100,000 each are awarded annually to outstanding scientists and artists, irrespective of nationality, for achievements in the interest of mankind and friendly relations among peoples. In science, annual awards are made in agriculture, chemistry, mathematics, medicine, and physics. Arts prizes in architecture, music, painting and sculpture will be given.

Self-nominations are not permitted.

For further information:

www.wolffund.org.il/main.asp?idMain=20

Deadline for nominations:

Friday, 31 August 2007 with the Wolf Foundation

32. 2007/08 DuPont Australia & New Zealand Innovation Awards

The biennial DuPont Innovation Awards program is an independently judged competition, launched in 2004, to recognise the introduction of a new innovative technology, application, product or service.

The Awards are open for entry to individuals, companies or tertiary students.

2007/08 AWARD CATEGORIES

1. Building Innovation sponsored by Fletcher Building Limited
2. Medical & Healthcare sponsored by Invetech
3. Sustainable Energy sponsored by BHP Billiton
4. Sustainable Services sponsored by Worley Parsons
5. Agriculture & Food Production sponsored by Cargill Australia Limited
6. Performance Materials sponsored by Plantic
7. Tertiary Student Award sponsored by ABB

For further information/application forms

www.dupontinnovationawards.com

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 2 November 2007 with DuPont Innovation Awards

PART E – POSTGRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH SUPPORT AND AWARDS

33. 2007 Riversymposium Young Water Scientist Award

This award promotes excellence in the development of young scientists who are capable researchers, communicators and innovative thinkers.

To recognise postgraduate water researchers who demonstrate these characteristics, the International Riversymposium in partnership with GHD and the Water Forum CRCs will present an award to a Young Water Scientist at the 10th International Riversymposium & Environmental Flows Conference held in Brisbane, Sept 3 – 6, 2007.

The International Riversymposium is now managing this prestigious award to provide opportunities for researchers throughout Australia to enter. The award was an initiative of the Water Forum CRCs. Postgraduate research students (PhD or Masters) who are either in the final stages of their projects or who have submitted their theses since 1 March 2006 on research topics relating to water are invited to apply to the International Riversymposium.

Benefits:

In addition to the prestige and recognition of winning the Award, the winning student will receive a cheque for \$3000 and the runners up will each be awarded with a cheque for \$250.

Further information/application form:

www.riversymposium.com

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 15 June 2007 with International Riversymposium

34. The Royal Society of Victoria Post-Graduate Student Prizes in Biological, Physical and Earth Sciences

In 2006 The Royal Society of Victoria introduced two new Postgraduate Student Prizes to recognise excellence in research. In awarding this prize, The Society hopes to encourage post graduate student researchers, give them experience in presentation to an audience and help to foster their careers.

Eligibility

Postgraduate students in their second or third year are eligible for this award.

Eligible students will be asked to submit an extended abstract of their work, which will be assessed by one of two judging panels, one in the Biological and the others in the Physical/Earth Sciences.

Benefits

A short list of three candidates in each category will be selected to make their oral presentations to the meeting of The Society on Tuesday, 21st August 2007 at 6:15pm.

The winner in each category will be selected from the presentations by the judging panels from the oral presentations on the night and will receive a Prize of \$500 at the end of the evening.

Further information/application form:

Further information and an application form may be obtained from the HDR Administration Officer in each School, or from the Manager, Research and Research Training in the Faculty Research Office (Faculty of Science Office, Building 19, Room G35).

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 29 June 2007 with The Royal Society of Victoria

35. DEST – Australia Scholarships – Australian Leadership Awards (ALA)

An ALA Scholarship has a total value of up to A\$130,000 for Masters degrees and A\$250,000 for Doctoral programs, not including provisions for leadership training. Benefits include:

- * return air travel
- * visa support
- * establishment allowance
- * full tuition fees
- * contribution to living expenses
- * Introductory Academic program (IAP)
- * Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the duration of the award (for award holder only).

Applicants must be a citizen of one of the participating countries listed below:

* Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Kiribati, Laos, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Nauru, Nepal, Niue, Pakistan (see note below), Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Timor-Leste, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Wallis & Futuna

Pakistani applicants are eligible for an ALA Scholarship, however, the Pakistan program varies from the program described here. Pakistan applicants should contact the Australian High Commission in Islamabad for information about these awards.

Applicants must not have Australian citizenship, permanent residence status, nor be in the process of applying.

Applicants must not be married or engaged to be married to a person who holds or who is eligible to hold Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residence status.

Successful applicants must meet visa requirements of the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship.

Citizens from non-participating countries are ineligible for the ALA Scholarship program but may be eligible for an award under the Endeavour program. For details see www.endeavour.dest.gov.au.

Note that nationals from the Cook Islands, Niue and Tokelau with New Zealand citizenship are eligible to apply.

English Language Proficiency Requirements

Applicants are expected to have strong written and spoken English language skills. Applicants must:

- * meet the minimum English language requirements to gain direct admission to their nominated higher education course(s) and
- * have undertaken one of the following English language proficiency tests no longer than two years prior to the date of application:
 - an IELTS Academic Test with a score of at least 6.5, or
 - a TOEFL paper-based test score of at least 580, or
 - a TOEFL computer-based test score of at least 237, or
 - a TOEFL Internet-based score of at least 92.

Offer of a place in a course at an Australian higher education institution

Applicants for ALA Scholarships must provide evidence of an unconditional offer of a place in an appropriate course at an eligible Australian education institution for full time studies commencing in Australia in 2008. Offers that include conditions relating to meeting additional English language proficiency or any other conditions will not be accepted by the ALA Scholarship program. Applicants presenting a conditional offer letter will be deemed ineligible.

Applicants should complete all requirements for securing an unconditional offer by 30 June 2007 to ensure the required documentation (offer letter or other institution correspondence etc) is received by the ALA Scholarship deadline of 31 July 2007.

The awards are offered for candidature commencing in 2008.

Further information/application forms:

www.ausaid.gov.au/scholar/ala.cfm

Deadline for applications:

Monday, 16 July 2007 for applications **by mail** to the appropriate Australian High Commission, Embassy or their Managing Contractor.

Tuesday, 31 July 2007 for applications submitted **online**.

36. The Australia-Israel Scientific Exchange Foundation Postgraduate Fellowship Award

The Australia-Israel Scientific Exchange Foundation (AISEF) was established in 1997, with the specific vision to nurture ties between the academic institutions of Australia and Israel.

The Australia-Israel Scientific Exchange Foundation serves the academic communities of Australia and Israel, and the enrichment, which the cooperation and collaboration between the two countries bring, can be shared by all.

The Foundation established an award for postgraduate students in Australian and Israeli universities to undertake part of their research for their PhD in matching institutions in Israel and Australia. The award, AU\$5,000 for a period of up to six months, has been awarded to nine Australian and Israeli students. The funds for this award have come from private donations.

For further information/application forms:

<http://www.swinburne.edu.au/hosting/aisef//index.html>

Deadline for applications:

Monday, 16 July 2007 with the Monash Research Office

Friday, 27 July 2007 with the Australia-Israel Scientific Foundation Exchange

37. 2008 Endeavour Postgraduate Awards

The Endeavour Postgraduate Awards provide full financial support for international students for up to 3 years to undertake a postgraduate qualification at a Masters or PhD level either by coursework or research in any field of study in Australia.

The Endeavour Postgraduate Awards aim to:

- enable high achieving international students to undertake a postgraduate qualification either by coursework or research in their chosen field of study in Australia;
- strengthen bilateral ties between Australia and the participating countries;
- showcase Australia's education sector;
- strengthen mutual understanding between the people of Australia and award holders' home countries; and
- build international linkages and networks.

Value and duration

Payment Type	Amount
Travel Allowance	\$AUD5,000
Establishment Allowance	\$AUD5,000
Monthly Stipend (up to 3 years on a pro-rata basis)	\$AUD2,500
Tuition Fees per semester (for up to 3 years)	Up to \$AUD10,000

Funding is available for up to 2 years for a Masters degree and up to 3 years for PhD courses.


Funding will be provided to cover the cost of standard Overseas Students Health Cover (OSHC) for the duration of the award.

Funds are not available to support accompanying dependants or for return visits to the home country.

Award holders must spend a minimum of 12 months and a maximum of three years at their host institution.

Eligibility

To be eligible for an Endeavour Postgraduate Award, applicants must:

- be citizens or permanent residents of a [participating country](#) and physically resident in that country (those holding dual Australian citizenship or permanent residency status in Australia are ineligible to apply)
- have a completed undergraduate degree that demonstrates high academic achievement
- demonstrate [English language proficiency](#)
- have applied for and gained admission to a Masters or PhD course in Australia (conditional letters of offer will be accepted at the time of application). Information on Australian universities and courses can be found at <http://www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/>. 

Award holders must commence their approved programme and award during 2008. Applicants who have commenced or intend to commence their programme at their host institution in 2007 are ineligible for an award.

For further information/application form:

www.endeavour.dest.gov.au/awards_by_country/for_internationals/for_asian_applicants/endeavour_postgraduate_awards.htm

Deadline for applications:

Tuesday, 31 July 2007 with DEST

38. 2008 Endeavour Research Fellowships

The Endeavour Research Fellowships provide financial support for postgraduate students and postdoctoral fellows from Australia to undertake short-term research (4-6 months), in any field of study. The research is to be undertaken in participating countries within the Asia/Pacific region and the Middle East.

For further information please see entry 18 on page 9 of this News Bulletin.

39. Holsworth Wildlife Research Endowment – Postgraduate Student Research Support in ecology, wildlife management and natural history studies

Holsworth Wildlife Research Endowment invites applications by Universities for post-graduate student research support in the fields of ecology, wildlife management and natural history studies.

Eligibility

Preference will be given to students at an early stage of a Masters or Doctoral program. Honours projects will normally not be supported.

Benefits

Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded for the purchase of equipment, supplies, travel to study areas and conferences. These grants will be renewable for a period of 2 to 3 years provided that the student maintains satisfactory progress.

Scholars holding senior positions at universities and other research institutions within the above mentioned academic fields are entitled to nominate candidates for the Holberg Prize. Nominations are strictly confidential. They shall not be disclosed to the nominee or to others, not even after the prize winner has been announced.

Further information/application form:

www.anz.com/aus/fin/Trustees/guNamed.asp#Holsworth

Deadline for applications:

Thursday, 20 September 2007 with the Monash Research Office

Monday, 1 October 2007 with the Holsworth Wildlife Research Fund

40. DuPont Australia and New Zealand Innovation Awards

2007/08 Tertiary Student Award

This special award will recognise a Tertiary Student (undergraduate or postgraduate) that has designed and/or developed an innovative technology, product or service while undertaking studies in the period 1 January 2004 and 2 November 2007.

Benefits

All finalists will be invited to attend the Awards Presentation in Sydney in May 2008 where the 2007/08 Tertiary Student Award winner will be announced. The prestigious award, sponsored by ABB, is an official event of the National Innovation Festival and will provide students access to industry and government leaders with opportunities to further develop designs and ideas.

Further information/application forms:

<http://www.dupontinnovationawards.com>

Deadline for applications:

Friday, 2 November 2007 with DuPont Innovation Awards

PART F - DATES AND DEADLINES

June 2007

Monday, 4 June 2007

- Lindberg (Charles A and Anne Morrow) Foundation Grants to the Monash Research Office.

Thursday, 14 June 2007

- Deadline for applications for Faculty of Science Overseas Travel Grants for Academic Staff: Round 2/2007 [item 7].
- Deadline for applications for Faculty of Science Postdoctoral Overseas Travel Grants: Round 2/2007 [item 8].

Friday, 15 June 2007

- Deadline for nominations for Fresh Science 2007 with Monash Research Office.
- Deadline for applications for the 2007 Riversymposium Young Water Scientist Award with International Riversymposium.

Monday, 18 June 2007

- Monash Research Office – ARC Rejoinder information sessions.

Wednesday, 20 June 2007

- Deadline for applications for Retina Australia Funding Grants with the Monash Research Office.

Tuesday, 19 June 2007

- Media training for scientists.

Thursday, 21 June 2007

- Monash Research Office – ARC Rejoinder information session.

Wednesday, 23 June 2007

- Deadline for direct online submission for the Department of the Environment and Water Resources – Australian Antarctic Division – Australian Antarctic Science Grants.

Monday, 25 June 2007

- Global Foundation – *Australia Unlimited* Dialogue Series luncheon.

Friday, 25 June 2007

- Deadline for applications for the L'Oreal Australia – 'For Women in Science' Fellowships – new Australian prize with Monash Research Office.

Thursday, 28 June 2007

- MRGS Supervisor Accreditation – Level 1 Workshop.

Friday, 29 June 2007

- Deadline for applications for Faculty of Science Early Career Researcher Grants 2008 [item 9].
- Deadline for nominations for the DEST – Australian Leadership Awards – Fellowships with AusAID Canberra.
- Deadline for applications for The Royal Society of Victoria Post-Graduate Student Prizes in Biological, Physical and Earth Sciences with The Royal Society of Victoria.

July 2007**Monday, 9 July 2007**

- Faculty of Science Supervisor Accreditation – Level 1 Workshop.

Wednesday, 11 July 2007

- Symposium on Contaminated Soil and its Remediation.

Monday, 16 July 2007

- Deadline for applications for DEST – Australia Scholarships – Australian Leadership Awards (ALA) by mail to the appropriate Australian High Commission, Embassy or their Managing Contractor.
- Deadline for applications for the Monash University and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) - Round 4 of the Collaborative Research Support Scheme (CRSS) with the Monash Research Office.

Friday, 20 July 2007

- Deadline for applications for Australian Academy of Science – Grants for international travel with International Programs, Australian Academy of Science.

Monday, 23 July 2007

- Deadline for applications for the Seafood Development Industry Fund (SIDF) with the Monash Research Office.

Thursday, 26 July 2007

- Media training for scientists.

Friday, 27 July 2007

- Deadline for applications for the Australia-Israel Scientific Exchange Foundation Postgraduate Fellowship Award with the Australia-Israel Scientific Foundation Exchange.

Tuesday, 31 July 2007

- Deadline for applications for the Faculty of Science – Margaret Clayton – Women in Research Postdoctoral Fellowship 2008.

- Deadline for applications for DEST – Australia Scholarships – Australian Leadership Awards (ALA) submitted online.
- Deadline for applications for DEST – 2008 Endeavour Research Fellowships with DEST.
- Deadline for applications for DEST – 2008 Endeavour Postgraduate Awards with DEST.

August 2007

Thursday, 2 August 2007

- Deadline for applications for the 2007-2008 young Tall Poppy Science Awards with the Tall Poppy Campaign.

Friday, 10 August 2007

- Deadline for applications for NHMR Program Grants – Round 2, 2007 for those wishing to apply earlier (decision to be made in late 2007) with the Monash Research Office.

Friday, 31 August 2007

- Deadline for applications for the Australia-Germany Joint Research Co-operation Scheme with the Monash Research Office.
- Deadline for nominations for the Wolf Foundation – Prizes in Sciences and Arts with the Wolf Foundation.

September 2007

Thursday, 20 September 2007

- Deadline for applications for the Holsworth Wildlife Research Endowment – Postgraduate Student Research Support in ecology, wildlife management and natural history studies with the Monash Research Office.

October 2007

Tuesday, 23 October 2007

- Deadline for applications for the Seafood Development Industry Fund (SIDF) with the Monash Research Office.

November 2007

Friday, 2 November 2007

- Deadline for applications for the 2007/08 DuPont Australia & New Zealand Innovation Awards with DuPont Innovation Awards.

December 2007

(No entries)