

## **General news**

### **OPEN - University of Sydney Equity Fellowships – Laffan (Disability) NEW and Brown and Thompson**

The Research Portfolio is pleased to announce that a new fellowship, the Laffan Fellowship (Disability) is joining the successful Brown and Thompson Fellowships and that all three schemes are open for applications.

- The new **Laffan fellowships** aim to assist researchers who have a significant disability, or have experienced a significant disability, re-establish or enhance their academic research careers.
- The **Brown Fellowships** aim to assist recipients re-establish or enhance their academic research careers after interruptions from sustained primary caring duties.
- The **Thompson Fellowships** aim to address the under-representation of women in senior academic positions and provide opportunities to women academics at levels C or D to develop and strengthen their research, preparing them to apply for and assume roles at levels D and E in the near future.

All three Fellowships provide academic staff with relief from routine teaching and administrative responsibilities for up to two semesters. The Laffan and Brown Fellowship are also available for research only staff and provide funding for technical assistance for up to two semesters. All fellowships start Semester 1, 2010. The fellowships offer up to \$60,000 per fellow at \$30,000 per semester (\$25,000 in teaching relief/technical support and \$5,000 in research support).

**Closing Date:** CoB Friday 23 October 2009.

**For more information:** <http://www.usyd.edu.au/research/fellowships/>

### **Sir Zelman Cowen Universities Fund Fellowships in Support of Academic Exchange between the University of Sydney & Hebrew University of Jerusalem**

The University of Sydney and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem have in place an agreement to encourage mutual visits by academic staff. Visits by post-doctoral fellows and academic staff of the University of Sydney to the Hebrew University of Jerusalem will be considered for support from the Sir Zelman Cowen Universities Fund.

Applications for support are invited from all disciplines and will be ranked on academic merit. Preference will be given to projects in the area of Semitic Studies. It is expected that the visits will have a specific academic purpose and

that their duration will not exceed 2 semesters. Shorter visits are encouraged. When an application is approved, the level of support will normally include a return economy airfare and some contribution to living expenses.

These fellowships are offered twice annually. Closing date for applications is 31 March and **31 October** each year.

For more information about the Fellowships and application details, please contact : Sue Freedman-Levy, Administrative Officer, Sir Zelman Cowen Universities Fund, telephone (02) 9351 6558 or email:[sueflevy@anatomy.usyd.edu.au](mailto:sueflevy@anatomy.usyd.edu.au)

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### **Humanities & Social Sciences**

## RESEARCH GRANTS

### 1

#### Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange - Research Grants & Senior Scholar Grants

**Introduction:** The Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange offers the following grants: Please click on the Asia-Pacific Region to apply for these grants on the website link below:

##### Research Grants

Researchers focusing on the political, social, economic, or cultural development of Taiwan over the past few decades are especially encouraged to apply. Priority will be given to collaborative projects involving institutions in Taiwan. Funding of **US\$120,000** for up to 3 years is awarded. Research Grants will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- The long-term impact of the proposed project.
- The importance of the proposed project in its field.
- Originality, feasibility and methodology.
- Collaboration with other scholars.

##### Senior Scholar Grants

This program supports full professors or senior scholars wishing to take one year's sabbatical leave in order to do research and writing. Grants range up to **US\$40,000** and are intended to supplement a professor's sabbatical pay. A letter of recommendation from the chairman of the department, the dean of the college, or the provost of university should be included in the application.

**Indirect Cost Recovery:** This scheme is exempt from University of Sydney indirect costs.

For more information see:

[http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search\\_research.html](http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search_research.html)

Use the New Search Engine, Show me: Research Grants In optional keywords type: Chiang

**Research Office Contact:** Kate Taylor on 8627 8137 or email

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**Internet Link:** <http://www.cckf.org.tw/e-donation.htm>

**Closing Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> October 2009

## CONFERENCE & TRAVEL

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#### Australian Academy of the Humanities; Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia and the British Academy- British Special Joint Project Funding Scheme

**Introduction:** The Australian Academy of the Humanities, the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia, and the British Academy have launched a new scheme for the support of joint projects between Australian and British scholars in the humanities and social sciences disciplines; projects are expected to be of one year's duration. Funding is not intended to cover major research expenses.

**Eligibility:** The principal applicant on the Australian side should be normally resident in Australia. Other scholars associated with the project will normally be expected to be of postdoctoral status.

**Amount Awarded:** One award (of up to **£8,000**) or two awards (of up to **£4,000** per project) will be available each year, to cover travel and maintenance expenses.

**Indirect Cost Recovery:** This scheme is exempt from University of Sydney indirect costs.

For more information see:

[http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search\\_research.html](http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search_research.html)

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**Internet Link:**

<http://www.humanities.org.au/Grants/International/Britain/Britain.htm>

**Closing Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> October 2009

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### National Institutes of Health (NIH) Funding

Applicants interested in applying for NIH Grants should subscribe to the NIH Funding Bulletin. To subscribe please click on the following link:

<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/listserv.htm> - and follow the instructions. If you are planning on submitting an application to an eligible funding scheme please contact Yamini Sandiran in the Research Office on 02 8627 8101 [ysandiran@usyd.edu.au](mailto:ysandiran@usyd.edu.au) to assist you with the application process.

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### Heart Foundation - Research Funding Information Session

On Monday 26 October 2009, the National Heart Foundation of Australia (NHF) will be conducting an information session detailing awards currently on offer by the Heart Foundation in clinical, biomedical or public health research. Awards include:

- Grants-in-aid
- Postdoctoral Scholarships
- Fellowships
- Summer Scholarships
- Travel Grants

Topics for discussion will include – funding available, the assessment criteria and the peer review process.

The session will also provide useful tips on what to do to maximise your chances of receiving funding. The session will be invaluable for all researchers particularly those applying for the first time.

If you are involved in the administration of research grants, you are also most welcome.

**Venue:** Architecture Lecture Theatre 3, Wilkinson Building G04, Maze Crescent, Darlington Campus (Near Wentworth Building), University of Sydney.

**Time:** Monday **26 October 2009**, 12:00pm – 1:00pm

**Registration:** All those wishing to attend need to register on-line with the Heart Foundation at: [www.heartfoundation.org.au/information\\_sessions](http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/information_sessions)

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Israel Institute of Technology - The Harvey Prize

**Please refer to point 10 in the bulletin for more information.**

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The International Institute for Research in Paraplegia (IRP)- Research Grants

**Introduction:** Research projects may address all aspects of CNS and spinal cord lesions, nerve regeneration, trophic support of lesioned neurons, and functional changes induced by lesions preferentially in mammals. Clinical research projects can be situated in the fields of diagnosis, acute lesion management including surgery, neurology, urology, rehabilitation, and other areas related to paraplegia.

**Indirect Cost Recovery:** This scheme is subject to University of Sydney indirect costs.

For more information see:

[http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search\\_research.html](http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search_research.html)

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[http://www.irp.ch/attribution\\_de\\_fonds/projets\\_de\\_recherche/dossier\\_de\\_candidature.php](http://www.irp.ch/attribution_de_fonds/projets_de_recherche/dossier_de_candidature.php)

**Closing Date:** 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2009

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#### World Cancer Research Fund International (WCRF)- Investigator Initiated Grants

**Introduction:** World Cancer Research Fund (WCRF) International is now inviting applications for grants worldwide to fund research into the effects of food, nutrition and physical activity on cancer. Preference will be given to applications that have direct relevance to human cancer - consider diets or foods as a whole and/or use whole body systems, and use foods or dietary constituents in physiological amounts.

**Eligibility:** Investigators from anywhere in the world can apply.

**Amount Awarded:** Grants are for a maximum of **£250,000** for up to four years, with a limit of **£75,000** for any one year.

**Indirect Cost Recovery:** This scheme is subject to University of Sydney indirect costs of up to **10%**.

For more information see:

[http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search\\_research.html](http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search_research.html)

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[http://www.wcrf.org/research/regular\\_grant\\_programme/grant\\_types.php](http://www.wcrf.org/research/regular_grant_programme/grant_types.php)

**Closing Date:** Outline due 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009 (external)

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The Roche Organ Transplantation Research Foundation (ROTRF) and Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International (JDRF) - Joint Initiative Support Projects: Submission of Intent

**Introduction:** The Initiative support projects in immunology and biology research relevant to pancreatic islet transplantation, and transplantation solutions for human type 1 diabetes. Investigators working in the fields of immunology and cell biology, gene therapy, cellular engineering, stem cell research (e.g. generation of islet/beta cell source from stem cells or other cell sources, novel interventions leading to immune tolerance) and other approaches that are relevant to both type 1 diabetes and transplantation, are strongly encouraged to apply.

**Eligibility:** Established faculty members of academic staff at universities, transplant and diabetes centres, and research institutes are eligible.

**Amount Awarded:** Up to a maximum of **300,000 Swiss Francs** over 3 years.

**Indirect Cost Recovery:** This scheme is subject to University of Sydney indirect costs.

For more information see:

[http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search\\_research.html](http://fmweb01.ucc.usyd.edu.au/research/search_research.html)

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**Internet Link:** <http://www.rotrf.org/grantprogramme/rotrfjdrf/index.html>

**Closing Date:** 24<sup>th</sup> September 2009

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### The Royal Society of NSW - The Edgeworth David Medal

The Edgeworth David Medal, established in memory of Professor Sir Tannatt William Edgeworth David, FRS, a past President of the Society, is awarded for distinguished contributions by a young scientist. The conditions of the Award of the Medal are:

- The recipient must be under the age of thirty-five years at 1st January, 2009
- The Award will be for work done mainly in Australia or its Territories; or, contributing to the advancement of Australian science.

Nominations are called for the names of suitable persons who have contributed significantly to science, including scientific aspects of agriculture, engineering, dentistry, medicine and veterinary science.

For more information visit: <http://nsw.royalsoc.org.au/awards/edgeworth.html>

For assistance with please contact Andrew Black on 8627 8108 or email [ablack@usyd.edu.au](mailto:ablack@usyd.edu.au)

Nominations due **30<sup>th</sup> September 2009** (external)

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### Israel Institute of Technology - The Harvey Prize

The Harvey Prize is awarded annually in a variety of disciplines within the categories of Science & Technology and Human Health. The Harvey Prize has also been awarded for Contribution to Peace in the Middle East.

Harvey Prize winners are selected by a council of world-renowned scientists and experts in each field through a rigorous selection process. The Harvey Prize Council, comprised of the president of the Technion, one vice-president, dean of the graduate school, two representatives of both the Israel National Academy of Science and the Technion Senate, receives all nominations.

The Harvey Prize is derived from a donation made by the Lena P. Harvey Foundation to the American Technion Society in September 1971. Two awards of **\$ USD 75,000** each are made annually. The prize winners receive their awards at the Technion.

For more information visit: <http://www.admin.technion.ac.il/harvey/>