

## The Bosch Fund

### History:

In 1927 George H Bosch offered the University of Sydney the sum of £25,000 for the endowment of a Chair of Histology and Embryology, and £1,500 for the purchase of apparatus for the Department of Anatomy. In 1929 Mr Bosch donated a further sum of £220,000 in city properties and securities to the University. This benefaction was given for the purpose of establishing full-time Chairs in Medicine and Surgery, and for the establishment of a Chair of bacteriology, and for the building and equipping of laboratories for the promotion of medical and surgical knowledge.

In 1928 Senate appointed C W Stump, Associate Professor in the Department of Anatomy, to the Chair of Histology and Embryology established with Bosch funds. In 1930 appointments were made to the full-time Chairs of Medicine and Surgery and to the Chair of Bacteriology, funded by the Bosch Fund. The Bosch Chair of Bacteriology was changed to the Bosch Chair of Infectious Diseases in 1985.

*Information taken from the report to the Chair Appointments Committee in June 1999*

### Today the Bosch Chairs are:

- Bosch Chair of Histology and Embryology
- Bosch Chair of Medicine
- Bosch Chair of Surgery
- Bosch Chair of Infectious Diseases

### Policy and procedures:

After an initial review of Challis, McCaughey, Bosch and Peter Nicol Russell Chairs by the Chair Appointments Committee in 1999, the Committee resolved in May 2003:

- (i) that the titles of Challis, McCaughey, Bosch and Peter Nicol Russell Chairs be conferred by the Chair Appointments Committee following the recommendation of the Dean of the appropriate Faculty;
- (ii) that, in forming such recommendations, Deans be required to:
  - (a) consult all professors in the relevant discipline(s); and
  - (b) take into account the factors of distinction and seniority.
- (iii) that vacant Challis and McCaughey chairs be filled by advertisement when there was no professor in the relevant disciplines and by the serving professor when the department did not wish to advertise.

In September 2005, the Committee resolved

- (iv) the policy *Titles of Bosch, Challis, Kellion, McCaughey and Peter Nicol Russell Chairs* be amended to include the following:

“Unless there are exceptional circumstances, a holder of the titles of the Challis, Kellion, McCaughey and Peter Nicol Russell Chairs shall be full-time members of academic staff”.