### Research Funding News

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*These are international funders, for details regarding eligibility criteria and possible login requirements please contact the RDA team*
Research News – Updates

New Developments on the KAREN Network
The KAREN Sponsored Partners Programme allows KAREN Members (universities, CRIs, government departments and ITPs) to sponsor businesses they are collaborating with on research or education activities to connect to KAREN. The aim of this development is to enable collaboration to take place more effectively during the life of a project and presents exciting opportunities for academic staff to collaborate more readily with the private sector, widening revenue opportunities, and accelerating innovation.

Following feedback from the community, REANNZ have created a simple application and evaluation process. You can find full details of this process and the template application letter available on the KAREN website at http://www.karen.net.nz/sponsored-partners. For further information, contact:
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Updated Massey Cost Model Budget Template
An updated template for calculating research funding proposal budgets has been placed on the website. It is available at Research Budget. This version of the budget incorporates the new, lower overhead rate of 114%, and a lower annual incremental increase for salaries. Please ensure you use this new template for all research budgets. All budgets must be approved by Graeme Mitchell prior to submission.

New On-Line application Process for Tech NZ Capability Funding (Formally TIF Funding)
A network of trusted regional advisors located throughout the country - TechNZ partners – has been established by FRST/TechNZ to help companies successfully develop and commercialise new products using Capability Building funding. To streamline the application process, TechNZ has just released an online application process. Log-in details for the application portal are provided to the company when they contact the relevant TechNZ partner. Applications submitted using old TIF templates will no longer be accepted. However, all Capability projects involving students must still be authorised by the Massey University designated signatory – the Director of Research Management Services and Commercialisation, Mr Mark Cleaver – prior to final submission.
For further information contact: Jo Stone extn 9533, or Kate Nolan extn 81326

New, Universal Coversheet
A universal research funding application coversheet has been developed to replace the old College Coversheets. The new coversheet is available upon request from any of the Research Development Advisors or on the Research Management Services website. Please note that it is mandatory to complete and submit a signed coversheet with all external research grant applications.

Funding Opportunity Deadlines
Please note: due dates advertised in this newsletter are internal deadlines. These are the dates when applications are due at Research Management Services: these will generally be 3 days in advance of external deadlines for NZ funders, but may be longer for international funders. This allows us to:

- Thoroughly check your application to ensure all the requested information has been provided and that you have used the correct forms/formats and page limits requested by the funder,
- Check and gain University approval for your budget;
- Obtain required official university representative signature/s;
- Print and check any copies that may be required;
- Courier to the funder (generally overnight courier.)

The relevant RDA contact will check your application if requested to do so, however we encourage you to engage with the RDA team as early on in the process as possible, particularly during major funding round
periods. For major funding rounds such as HRC/Marsden we are unable to guarantee that we can carry out all these steps in fewer than 3 days.

**CREATING STRONGER UNIVERSITY BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS**

With special guest speaker Professor Sir Peter Gluckman

(speaking at 6pm)

Seven universities showcasing their leading edge health innovations and technology featuring:

- Health Services, Medical Devices and Health IT exhibitions
- Potential opportunities and collaborations
- Networking and one-on-one discussions with NZ’s top research talent

What could your organisation achieve through partnering with New Zealand’s top researchers? Come and find out.

Please RSVP to innovation@auckland.ac.nz by 11th May 2010

(for catering purposes)

Tuesday 18th May 2010, 5.30-8.00pm

Owen G Glenn Building, The University of Auckland Business School, 12 Grafton Road, Auckland

A project sponsored by the Tertiary Education Commission | Parking available - charge applies
Research Opportunities – Details

Scholarships for Courses & Seminars in Greece in the Modern Greek Language – 10th May, 2010
Scholarships for foreigners (or foreign nationals of Greek descent) from countries worldwide in order to attend courses and seminars in the Modern Greek language and culture. There are 60 scholarships available. The duration of the scholarship is eight months. The courses start in October 2010 and end in May 2011.

The scholarship covers the following:
a. Free meals and accommodation (in university residence or in purpose-built flats provided by the university which will undertake the programme)
b. Tuition fees and other relevant costs
c. Free medical care (under the National Health Service) in case of emergency
d. A monthly allowance of EUR 150.00 (net amount) for personal expenses
e. EUR 200.00 for initial expenses
Sponsors: Republic of Greece State Scholarships Foundation (IKY)
RDA contact: Jo Stone extn 9533

International Development Research Fund – 12th May, 2010
The fund is open to New Zealand based researchers to carry out research in partnership with researchers from developing countries. Research supported by the fund will focus on advancing development policy, practice and outcomes in developing countries, and is likely to be of relevance and interest to both the New Zealand development community and the region, country or development sector that is the focus of the research.

There is one application round a year, with the maximum limit for any single proposal being $50,000. Multi-year research projects of up to three years’ duration are encouraged; however, total funding for multi-year projects remains limited to $50,000 for the entire project.

The IDRF funded component of research projects must be scheduled to start after July 2010 and prior to March 2011. Note, however, the starting date of the project need not be the date of commencement of major research activities (such as field research) and that these can commence after December if need be. IDRF funding cannot be used to retrospectively fund costs incurred prior to August 2010.
Sponsor: NZ Aid
RDA Contact: Marise Murrie extn 81356

Genetic and Genomic Resources for Emerging Non-Mammalian Model Organisms (R24) – 18th May, 2010
NIGMS invites investigator-initiated applications for research designed to generate genetic tools and genomic resources that will enable researchers to exploit the full potential of novel or developing model systems for comparative and functional genomic studies. The typical organism to be considered should have a publicly available draft of the genomic DNA sequence with a minimum of 5X coverage. In addition, the organism should show promise as, or be, a model for basic biological, developmental, or behavioural mechanisms.
Sponsors: Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)
RDA contact: Kate Nolan extn 81326

AINSE Research Fellowships – 24th May, 2010
Offered in competition with the most prestigious Fellowships currently available in Australia and carries a highly attractive salary and benefits component. The scheme is expected to attract high quality applicants. An opportunity of progressing to a continuing academic position within the attached university at the end of
the Research/Teaching Fellowship may be provided pending satisfactory progress as determined by the review panel.

The objectives of the scheme are:

- to maintain a substantial research presence at both ANSTO and the University in the area of nuclear science and engineering and in related fields;
- to substantially enhance the University’s and ANSTO’s research performance in the fields of nuclear science and engineering and in related fields; to increase the pool of research higher degree supervisors; and
- to acquire highly talented staff with excellent potential for providing future academic leadership at member universities.

AINSE offers fellowships for exceptional researchers in the following research areas:

1. neutron scattering;
2. biological problems using radionuclide techniques;
3. high-resolution climate records using nuclear techniques; and
4. multi-scale materials modelling or structural materials for extreme environments

The AINSE Research Fellow will receive competitive remuneration and a contribution towards the cost of the Fellow’s research project. The AINSE Research Fellow will be expected to:

- apply for national competitive grant funding to support her/his own research;
- undertake supervision of bachelor honours and postgraduate research students associated with their research project; and
- publish results in journals and other scholarly media of international standing appropriate to the research discipline.

The AINSE Research Fellow will be appointed as a staff member within the Department or will be expected to take a full part in the life of the ‘Department’. The Fellow will be expected to undertake up to 60 hours per year of teaching during the initial 3-year appointment. The AINSE Research Fellow will be provided with office space, computer facilities and other support at ANSTO at the same level as provided to ANSTO employees.

Sponsor: The AINSE Trust
RDA contact: Kate Nolan extn 81326

Impact of Health Communication Strategies on Dietary Behaviours (R01) – 28th May, 2010

For research projects focused on the development and implementation of effective communication strategies related to diet and health. Specifically, this FOA is designed to promote interdisciplinary research, conducted at multiple levels (e.g., individual, community/environment, policy) and across diverse populations, to evaluate effective communication approaches for changing dietary behaviours. Research projects may include, but are not limited to, studies that integrate consumer-marketing approaches for adoption of healthful nutrition and dietary behaviours; apply existing knowledge from tailored individual communications and behavioural theories to affect the physical or built environment, as well as policy; and consider the implications of policy or basic causes on information processing and decision-making factors at the individual level.

Sponsors: Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH)
RDA contact: Emma Hughes extn 81344

International Travel and Subsistence Grants – 5th June, 2010

The Houghton Trust has established a fund to provide grants to young research workers for undertaking the following:

- Attendance and participation in scientific meetings
• Short visits to appropriate laboratories for discussions and/or learning specific techniques (normally the maximum duration will be 14 days)

• Attendance at appropriate training courses (normally not exceeding 14 days)

It is an absolute requirement that the grant will be used in furtherance of research on avian diseases. Applicants should normally be aged 35 or under. Grants may be awarded in full or in part; most awards are for only part of the cost. Applicants are more likely to be successful if they can show that attempts have been made to obtain part of the funding from other sources, including Massey University internal funding.

Sponsor: The Houghton Trust
RDA contact: Jo Stone extn 9533

Effect of Racial and Ethnic Discrimination/Bias on Health Care Delivery (R21) – 9th June, 2010
For research project grant applications that propose to improve the measurement of racial and ethnic discrimination in health care delivery systems through improved instrumentation, data collection, and statistical or analytical techniques; enhance understanding of the influence of racial and ethnic discrimination in health care delivery and its association with disparities in disease incidence, treatment, and outcomes among disadvantaged racial and ethnic minority groups; and reduce the prevalence of racial and ethnic health disparities through the development of interventions to reduce the influence of racial and ethnic discrimination on health care delivery systems in the United States.

For the purposes of this FOA, health care delivery is defined as the provision or receipt of a broad range of health-related services including preventive, primary, ambulatory and in-patient, emergency, specialty, and long-term care. Health care delivery systems are defined as insurance plans, hospitals, clinics, private physician offices, or public and community health facilities that provide or finance health care delivery.

Examples of research topics and approaches that would be relevant areas of investigation under this FOA include, but are not limited to, the following:
1. Methodology for measuring racial and ethnic discrimination
2. Discriminatory behaviour by providers or other staff in the health care setting
3. Patient perception of the receipt of discriminatory care
4. Institutional racism
5. The effects of racial and ethnic discrimination on health care delivery to racial and ethnic minority patients
6. Intervention studies

Components of participating organisations in the US include the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; National Institute on Drug Abuse; National Institute of Mental Health; National Institute of Digestive and Kidney Diseases; and National Institute of Aging.

Sponsors: Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH)
RDA contact: Emma Hughes extn 81344

Research on the Economics of Diet, Activity, and Energy Balance (R21)
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For research the area of energy balance (i.e., the relationship between diet, physical activity, and body composition) known to researchers with expertise and experience in health economics, health services, and econometric modelling, including multi-level analyses, whom might not otherwise be aware of the opportunity to apply their disciplines efforts collectively and collaboratively to this area of research.

Especially, this FOA aims to promote collaborative activities between researchers trained in economics and researchers specialising in public health, cancer, cardiovascular diseases, and other chronic diseases. Research areas supported by this FOA include community structure and the built environment; food, agriculture, zoning, and other policy; industrial organisation; cost-effectiveness or cost benefit studies; and consumer economics.
This FOA is designed to foster a trans-disciplinary research approach that integrates economics with knowledge, assumptions, and methodologies from other social and behavioural sciences, and with epidemiological and clinical research.

Components of participating US organisations include the National Cancer Institute; National Institute on Aging; National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; and National Institute of Nursing Research.

Sponsors: Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH)

RDA contact: Emma Hughes extn 81344

Bursaries for Horticulture Projects – 21st June, 2010

Applications are invited from gardeners and horticulturists for financial assistance for a wide range of horticultural projects, associated with improving horticultural knowledge and experience. Eligible proposals must be closely identified with horticulture. Financial support may be given for the following:

- Plant collecting expeditions; plant study tours to the wild
- Attendance at horticultural conferences, seminars and symposia
- Educational or interpretation signage, plants and gardening equipment for projects
- Certain costs in connection with holding a horticultural conference for example poster displays, fees for foreign speakers, (especially from third world countries)
- Specific horticultural projects being undertaken by National Collection holders
- Conservation projects but only where horticultural techniques and practices are being used, such as the cultivation of threatened species prior to reintroduction
- Horticultural taxonomic studies, such as the revision of important horticultural genera, e.g., a study trip to the Xi Shan region of China to clarify the distribution of Berberis in the wild and held in herbaria
- Exhibiting costs for botanical artists or photographers who have been assessed as meeting the required standard for exhibiting their work

Sponsor: Royal Horticultural Society
RDA contact: Kate Nolan extn 81326

Historical Humanities Research Grants and Scholarships - Continuous

Research scholarships can be applied for directly by Ph.D. holders for larger-scale research work or in connection with a research project. The Gerda Henkel Foundation's funding activities concentrate basically on German and foreign academia in the following fields of historical humanities. Research projects in the following fields are supported in particular:

- History
- Prehistory and early history
- Archaeology
- Art history
- History of Islam
- Legal history

Funds are provided for:

- Specific, temporary, research projects by way of grants for personnel, travel and material expenses
- research and PhD scholarships for German and foreign scholars
- innovative academic conferences
- publications of particularly successful projects supported by the Foundation

Sponsor: Gerda Henkel Stiftung / Gerda Henkel Foundation
RDA contact: Jo Stone extn 9533

Relation Between Education and Social Opportunity - Continuous

The Spencer Foundation provides funding for research projects that study education in the United States and abroad. The foundation funds research grants that range in size from smaller grants that can be completed within a year, to larger, multi-year endeavours. The foundation seeks to shed light on the role
education plays in reducing economic and social inequalities - as well as, sometimes, reinforcing them - and to find ways to more fully realize education's potential to promote more equal opportunity. Expanded opportunity is important not only to a society’s economic well being but to the character of its’ civic, cultural, and social life as well.

Education enriches and expands people’s lives in many ways, including through their employment opportunities, their civic and political involvements, and the quality of their personal lives. The foundation's interests therefore extend to studies that examine the ways in which differences in educational experiences (including quality and character of schooling as well as number of years in school) translate into differences in employment, earnings, and civic and social outcomes. Such work can help identify ways to change schooling investments and outcomes in the interests of a more just and prosperous society.

Research grants can range from less than $5,000 to slightly more than $400,000. It is the foundation's policy not to pay indirect costs on any proposal requesting an award of $50,000 or less. For research grant proposals requesting over $50,000, the foundation will pay indirect costs equalling up to 15 percent of the direct costs of the proposed project. The foundation does not pay government-approved overhead rates on research grants.

Sponsor: The Spencer Foundation
RDA Contact: Marise Murrie extn 81356

Workshops

Massey University Internal Funding (MURF)
The internal funding rounds are now open for academic staff to apply for Massey internal research funds. Information on the funds available can be found at: http://www.massey.ac.nz/massey/research/research-management-services/find-funding-opportunities/internal-funds.cfm

Research Management Services are hosting College-based at workshops to provide information and advice on applying for funding in 2010. Workshops will address the funds available, requirements and application processes, in addition to support available to help you prepare an application. A representative of the College Research Committee will also be present at each workshop to offer College-specific advice on what is required. If you wish to submit an application this year, you are encouraged to attend these workshops.

For the Albany campus, workshops are being held on Monday 10th May in QA1 (Quad A) at the following times:

College of Business - 10 am - 11 am
College of Science - 12 pm – 1 pm
College of Humanities and Social Sciences - 2 pm - 3 pm

For the Turitea Campus, the workshops will held as follows:
College of Education - 13 May, 1 pm – 2 pm, 7th Floor Boardroom, Tower Block - as video conference with School of Education, Albany
College of Science - 20 May, 2 pm -3 pm, REF 2
College of Humanities and Social Sciences - 19 May, - room and time TBA
College of Business - TBA
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