

Summary of Linkage Projects Proposals for Funding to Commence in 2007

Victoria

The University of Melbourne

LP0776778 Dr BM Ahmed; Dr GI Brodie; Prof P Vinden; Mr CY Adam; Dr MV Jacob; Dr GS Woods

Approved Project Title **Investigate control of in-situ termite and decay protection and control using microwave technologies**

2007 : \$ 78,133

2008 : \$ 139,592

2009 : \$ 123,679

2010 : \$ 141,220

2011 : \$ 79,000

Primary RFCD 2799 OTHER BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

APA(I) Award(s): 2

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Citipower and Powercor Australia

PCT International Pty Ltd.

Redcentre

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

Australia has a very substantial investment in timber structures for example 11,000 km of timber bridges, railway sleepers, power poles and dwellings. Timber losses each year due to fungal, termite and other insect degradation, is very significant. The use of organochlorine compounds for ground poisoning and remedial treatment has been discontinued due to environmental, health and safety concerns. Less toxic chemicals are less effective, require more regular inspection and don't address fundamental concerns associated with environment issues. This project will provide the community a cheap automated alarm system indicating when remedial treatment is required and a non-chemical technology for sterilising infected structures.

LP0776563 Dr G Bossinger; Prof AA Myburg; Dr A Spokevicius

Approved Project Title **Functional genetic analysis of wood formation genes in Eucalyptus**

2007 : \$ 32,500

2008 : \$ 65,000

2009 : \$ 65,000

2010 : \$ 32,500

Primary RFCD 3006 FORESTRY SCIENCES

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

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Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

Eucalypts are the world's most important plantation hardwood species due to their superior wood characteristics and high growth rates that make them excellent carbon sequestration platforms. Australia is the custodian of the world's natural eucalypt resource and our results will assist in their sustainable use with the potential to transform the national forestry industry by helping to streamline tree improvement efforts. This will be achieved by increasing our understanding of the development and production of wood, which will lead to increased productivity (more and better quality wood from less land). Custom designed wood also holds much promise for the production of novel biopolymers and as a renewable source for improved biofuels.

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LP0776986 Dr R Buyya

Approved Project Title **A Novel Software System for .NET-based Enterprise Grid Computing**

2007 : \$ 44,093

2008 : \$ 89,639

2009 : \$ 88,546

2010 : \$ 43,000

Primary RFCD 2803 COMPUTER SOFTWARE

APA(I) Award(s): 1

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Microsoft Pty Limited

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This ARC Linkage project, in partnership with Microsoft, aims to develop a novel Grid computing platform that enables organisations to effectively harness various IT resources and allocate them for different applications depending on their demands and priorities. The project outcomes will revolutionise the computing field by enhancing the productivity of software engineering for enterprise applications and accelerate their execution on enterprise Grids.

LP0776803 Prof K Darian-Smith; Dr J Evans; Dr P Edmonds; Ms AM Smith

Approved Project Title **Conciliation Narratives and the Historical Imagination in British Pacific Rim Settler Societies**

2007 : \$ 38,524

2008 : \$ 82,728

2009 : \$ 85,730

2010 : \$ 41,526

Primary RFCD 4301 HISTORICAL STUDIES

APDI Dr P Edmonds

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Museum Victoria

National Museum Australia

Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This project deepens Australian understandings of the negotiated forms of conciliation that occurred between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in the colonial period to present. By comparing these with conciliation events in New Zealand and British Columbia, the Australian experience is positioned within the global context of the Pacific Rim. The project's innovative approach unites historical and legal research with material culture of extraordinary heritage significance held by three major national collecting institutions (partner organisations) and others. Among the outcomes are scholarly publications, international symposia, publicly assessable web-based and educational materials, a travelling exhibition, and professional training.

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LP0776842 Prof CS Fraser; Prof PM Charles
Approved Project Title **Traffic Incidents: Reducing the Impacts**

2007 : \$ 60,000
2008 : \$ 120,000
2009 : \$ 120,000
2010 : \$ 60,000

Primary RFCD 2908 CIVIL ENGINEERING

APA(I) Award(s): 2

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Victoria Police
Queensland Main Roads
Queensland Police Service
Brisbane City Council
Transurban Ltd
PTV Asia-Pacific Pty Ltd
Intelematics Australia Pty Ltd
Dept. of Emergency Services - Qld Ambulance Service
Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

Road congestion due to traffic incidents in major urban areas adversely affects traveller safety and travel reliability, and is a significant cost burden to industry and the community in social, environmental and economic terms. This project will investigate the impact of traffic incidents, with the aim being to produce outcomes that contribute to more efficient traffic management, and specifically to reducing the incident duration. Outcomes will include the development of decision support tools to aid in policy and operational responses, as well as the development of faster and more comprehensive accident reconstruction based on spatial information technology.

LP0776573 Prof CF Humphreys; Dr CS Ross; Prof JR Wiseman; Dr M Frere; Dr CJ Laming; Dr KM Crinall; Ms C Nixon; Dr CL Gassner; Ms JE Griffith; Mr T Healy; Dr J Bennett; Ms C Asquini
Approved Project Title **Family Violence Reform: Using knowledge to develop and integrate policy and practice**

2007 : \$ 45,000
2008 : \$ 85,674
2009 : \$ 97,094
2010 : \$ 108,084
2011 : \$ 89,664
2012 : \$ 38,000

Primary RFCD 3212 PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES

APA(I) Award(s): 2

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Victoria Police
Dept of Human Services
DOJ
Dept of Victorian Communities
Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

Family violence is a serious threat to the health and well-being of women, children and some men, costing the economy an estimated \$8.1 billion annually. This research will address national 'hot' issues, including: the effectiveness of removing perpetrators and keeping children and women in their homes; whether the early referral of children to community services impacts on the statutory child protection system; the integration of criminal and civil justice responses; and the effectiveness of multi-disciplinary governance arrangements in metropolitan and rural regions. The research will provide continuous feedback to policy makers and practitioners, and will establish Australia as a world leader in delivering family safety.

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LP0776809 Dr AJ Jones; Dr AB McDougall; Ms MA Robertson

Approved Project Title **An Investigation into Strategies for using Information and Communication Technologies to Address Educational Disadvantage Resulting from Prolonged School Absence**

2007 : \$ 26,000

2008 : \$ 50,000

2009 : \$ 41,000

2010 : \$ 17,000

Primary RFCD 3212 PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES

APA(I) Award(s): 1

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

RCH Education Institute

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

A framework of information and communication technology (ICT) types and uses relating to accessibility problems caused by illness and recuperation will be developed. Working with 30 secondary students from a major children's hospital, teachers and hospital educators, the researchers will develop, implement and evaluate communications strategies, support structures and continuing professional development programs for effective elearning. Outcomes will aid students whose education is disrupted through illness and absence, with consequential benefits to them, the community and nation. This project focuses on students absent due to illness or accident, but has potential benefit for other students absent from school for extended periods.

LP0776735 Prof T Kilpatrick; Prof F Mastaglia; Prof GM Halliday; Ms TF Cowie; Dr JP Rubio; Prof MK Horne; A/Prof CM Sue

Approved Project Title **Development of the PD GeneChip: a research and diagnostic tool for Parkinson's disease**

2007 : \$ 76,298

2008 : \$ 129,533

2009 : \$ 53,235

Primary RFCD 2702 GENETICS

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Millenium Science

The Australian Genome Research Facility

St. Vincent's Hospital

The Royal North Shore Hospital

The Australian Brain Foundation

The Rebecca L Cooper Medical Research Foundation

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

The PD GeneChip will provide both social and economic benefits to Australia. It will be a key research platform for Australian scientists, and will facilitate collaboration both within Australia and overseas. It will assist with health care management of PD (Parkinson's disease) patients by providing a cost-effective diagnostic tool and the possibility of predicting the clinical course of disease. This information will provide the basis for tailoring treatment to a patients needs. It is anticipated that marketing of the PD GeneChip within Australia and overseas may produce revenue of at least \$40 million annually.

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LP0776744 Prof T Kilpatrick; Dr V Perreau; Prof SJ Foote; Prof LR Griffiths; A/Prof PA Moscato; Prof RJ Scott; Dr JM Stankovich; Dr JP Rubio; Dr M Bahlo; Dr DR Booth; Dr H Butzkueven; Dr R Heard; Dr J Lechner-Scott; Prof JS Wiley

Approved Project Title **Identifying genes that influence clinical course and susceptibility in multiple sclerosis**

2007 : \$ 135,000

2008 : \$ 200,000

2009 : \$ 65,000

Primary RFCD 3207 NEUROSCIENCES

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Sydney West Area Health Service

John Hunter Hospital

MS Research Australia

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This project aims to identify the genetic basis of multiple sclerosis (MS), the most common neurologic disease in young Australian adults. MS urgently needs research to identify predisposition, aid early diagnosis and provide bona fide molecular targets for new therapies. This will benefit people with MS and those susceptible to it. Crucial new knowledge identified will benefit other major areas of MS research including epidemiology, immunology and neurobiology. Collaboration of 8 major Australian institutions is also important for this project and future studies. The team will have access to a new national MS GeneBank (platform) with samples from 2240 patients that should generate findings important to world-wide MS genetic knowledge.

LP0776737 Prof PY Ladiges; Dr DJ Cantrill

Approved Project Title **Molecular phylogeny and biodiversity of the plant family Rutaceae: evidence for Australian-New Caledonian biogeography**

2007 : \$ 32,500

2008 : \$ 65,000

2009 : \$ 65,000

2010 : \$ 32,500

Primary RFCD 2704 BOTANY

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Royal Botanic Gardens, Melbourne

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

The results will contribute biological evidence for geological models of the evolution of New Caledonia and the Southwest Pacific region. Analyses will also contribute to improvement of methods and data interpretation in the field of historical biogeography. The molecular phylogeny will be the foundation for a new predictive classification of Australian Rutaceae at the level of tribes and genera. Improved phylogenetic classification underpins the delivery of biodiversity research, goods and services in Australia. Outcomes of improved taxonomy include species identification for ecological studies, identification of rare species, geographic areas of high conservation value and plants for horticulture.

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LP0776929 Ms J Lee; Dr MR Davis; Ms R Michael; Mr A Wilkins

Approved Project Title **The Bloom Book Industry Report: an annual survey of the Australian book publishing industry**

2007 : \$ 12,000

2008 : \$ 23,750

2009 : \$ 23,500

2010 : \$ 11,750

Primary RFCD 4001 JOURNALISM, COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Thorpe-Bowker

Bloom Partners

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This project represents a university-industry partnership to document the state of play in Australian book publishing, an industry of central importance in Australian intellectual and cultural life. The data gathered will help to identify opportunities and risks for the industry at a time when it is undergoing rapid technological change and reorienting itself towards global markets. The project will be designed to facilitate comparison with studies in other countries, identify the local impact of global trends and foster forward-looking industry responses. The information gathered will be invaluable for researchers, industry personnel and policy-making bodies, and will establish the groundwork for targeted research into key industry issues.

LP0776747 Prof GM MacNaughton; Prof EH Wertheim; Ms EA Freeman

Approved Project Title **Creating Culturally Respectful Primary Schools: Enhancing Relationships through Strategic Professional Learning**

2007 : \$ 30,000

2008 : \$ 60,000

2009 : \$ 30,000

Primary RFCD 3303 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF TEACHERS

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Scanlon Foundation

Australian Psychological Society

Catholic Education Office Melbourne

Haig Street Primary School

St Anthony's Primary School

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

A critical issue facing Australian school communities is how to best support teachers to build sustainable whole school approaches to respecting cultural diversity in times of increasing tension about Australia's multiculturalism. This project will investigate an innovative professional learning program to build teacher capacity to help children to think about and respond to differences constructively and to creatively problem solve ways to meet diverse needs. Outcomes will include policy and practice recommendations for the national education sector policy about how primary schools can contribute to wider social cohesion through the development of inclusive and culturally respectful school communities.

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LP0776708 Prof TL McCormack; Mr BM Oswald; Prof SB Kaye

Approved Project Title **International Operations and the Australian Federal Police: Devising a legal framework**

2007 : \$ 31,514

2008 : \$ 56,514

2009 : \$ 62,998

2010 : \$ 37,998

Primary RFCD 3904 LAW ENFORCEMENT

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Australian Federal Police

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

As a major player in the maintenance of regional peace and security, Australia is increasingly using Australian Federation Police (AFP) in a range of international operations. The extent of deployments and the expectations both governments and communities place on these operations is unprecedented. This project, in collaboration with the AFP, will draw upon recent experiences to provide a clear legal framework, advancing the capacity for AFP deployments to maintain their high commitment to the rule of law. The project is of international significance and will consolidate Australia's reputation as innovative and influential in the planning, management and conduct of police in international operations.

LP0776719 Dr J Moss; Dr KN White

Approved Project Title **Health, Freedom and Independent Contracting**

2007 : \$ 25,225

2008 : \$ 49,991

2009 : \$ 46,991

2010 : \$ 22,225

Primary RFCD 4401 PHILOSOPHY

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Kunexion

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

The project will offer significant insights into the effects of independent contracts on the key area of rural health. The project will be able to gauge whether independent contracts offer significant improvements to the health and well being of those who use them, as well as the advantages to industry. In addition, the project will also consider the important ethical issue of whether independent contracts enhance the freedom of individual workers and in what ways.

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LP0776936 Dr MD Mulcahy; Ms JA Kriewaldt; Prof DJ Clarke; Mr JN Hutchinson; Ms AL Dempster; Ms FA Cosgrove
Approved Project Title **Strengthening Standards of Teaching through Linking Standards and Teacher Learning: The Development of Professional Standards for Teaching School Geography**
2007 : \$ 25,000
2008 : \$ 53,000
2009 : \$ 42,500
2010 : \$ 14,500
Primary RFCD 3303 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF TEACHERS

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Australian Geography Teachers Association
Geography Teachers' Association of Victoria
Victorian Institute of Teaching

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This research project will advance the Commonwealth Government's social and economic agenda by addressing the national strategy to raise the quality of teachers and the status of teaching. In seeking to improve the practice of geography teaching in schools, it will also address, albeit indirectly, the national research priority of achieving an environmentally sustainable Australia. Teaching standards and associated professional learning resources that can enable improvement of this practice are an important tool for teachers in both metropolitan and rural settings, Australia-wide. This project addresses a significant need to contribute to the development of ways of bridging the gap between teaching standards and teacher learning.

LP0776462 Dr RA Mulder; A/Prof PO Dunn; Prof SC Donnellan
Approved Project Title **Conservation genetics of the threatened Malleefowl**
2007 : \$ 22,500
2008 : \$ 37,500
2009 : \$ 30,000
2010 : \$ 15,000
Primary RFCD 2707 ECOLOGY AND EVOLUTION
APA(I) Award(s): 1

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

South Australian Museum
Nature Foundation SA Inc
Department of Sustainability and Environment
Malleefowl Preservation Group

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This project will provide national benefit at four levels. First, our comprehensive genetic analysis will provide our industry partners with vital information for sustainable management of the Malleefowl. The research findings will also enrich educational and ecotourism activities in rural Australia. The publication and popular dissemination of our findings will enhance Australia's international profile as a leader in conservation genetics research. Finally, our research will promote undergraduate and postgraduate education by providing cutting-edge training and research opportunities for young scientists.

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LP0776850 Ms CL Newton; Dr D Hes; Dr S Wilks; Prof KG Dovey; Dr K Fisher

Approved Project Title **Smart Green Schools: Educational and Environmental Outcomes of Innovation in School Building Design**

2007 : \$ 50,000

2008 : \$ 105,000

2009 : \$ 120,000

2010 : \$ 65,000

Primary RFCD 3101 ARCHITECTURE AND URBAN ENVIRONMENT

APA(I) Award(s): 2

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Department of Education & Training

H2o Architects

McGauran Giannini Soon Pty Ltd

Hayball Leonard Stent

Government architect

Sustainable Built Environments

Mary Featherston Design

Rubida Research

McBride Charles Ryan

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

The research touches upon many of the key National Research Priorities. Children spend a large proportion of their waking hours within a school environment. A healthy school environment which efficiently uses energy resources and information technology will help 'strengthen Australia's social economic fabric' in the longer term and support student engagement. Children's inhabitation of virtual space as 'native' users of information rich 'frontier technologies' will be complemented by buildings acting as 3D textbooks educating children about an 'environmentally sustainable Australia' and providing feedback on design innovations intended to save 'water' and 'minimise environment impacts' on land and climate.

LP0776950 Prof KA Nugent; A/Prof A Roberts; Mr D Marquardt

Approved Project Title **Next generation front projection screens**

2007 : \$ 30,000

2008 : \$ 60,000

2009 : \$ 60,000

2010 : \$ 80,000

2011 : \$ 50,000

Primary RFCD 2404 OPTICAL PHYSICS

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Herma Projection Screen Technology Pty Ltd

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

Consumer electronics is a huge international market and home theatre is one of the most rapidly growing sectors. A critical part of the home theatre system is the projection screen, an area of technology that has seen only incremental development over the last fifty years, or so. In this project we will take some advanced design concepts developed at the University of Melbourne for laser technology and adapt them to the development of novel approaches to improving the brightness and resolution of projection screens. The project will look at the design process and address the manufacturing challenges for novel projection screen technology.

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LP0776287 Dr RH Osborne; A/Prof R Buchbinder; A/Prof L March; Prof IP Wicks; Dr IN Ackerman

Approved Project Title **The consequences of osteoarthritis in Australia: Work productivity loss and health service utilisation**

2007 : \$ 60,000

2008 : \$ 109,000

2009 : \$ 61,813

2010 : \$ 12,813

Primary RFCD 3212 PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES

APA(I) Award(s): 1

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This project will determine the burden of osteoarthritis in Australia. Although osteoarthritis is one of the most common and costly conditions affecting the developed world, little is known about the number of Australians living with hip or knee osteoarthritis, the population need for health services or the impact of the condition on the workforce. Directly addressing Australia's National Action Plan for Arthritis, this research will be used by health policy makers in planning future resources to appropriately meet the needs of people with osteoarthritis. This work is of national importance because osteoarthritis is the single largest cause of workplace disability and a major contributor to lost productivity.

LP0776532 Prof JR O'Toole; Prof BV Burton; A/Prof RA Ewing; A/Prof AM O'Brien; A/Prof PJ Bundy; Dr KJ Donelan; Dr MJ Anderson; Dr J Hughes; Dr CE Sinclair; Mr NA Jordan

Approved Project Title **Accessing the cultural conversation: investigating participation and non-participation of young people as audiences of live theatrical performances in Australia**

2007 : \$ 52,085

2008 : \$ 113,688

2009 : \$ 111,974

2010 : \$ 127,370

2011 : \$ 77,000

Primary RFCD 4101 PERFORMING ARTS

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

The Australia Council for The Arts

The Sydney Opera House

Sydney Theatre Company

Bell Shakespeare

The Brisbane Powerhouse

Queensland Theatre Company

Queensland Performing Arts Centre

Arena Theatre Company

Malthouse Theatre

the Arts Centre

Arts Victoria

NSW Ministry for the Arts

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

In order to promote the healthy development of young Australians, where health in middle and late childhood is crucial (National Research Priority 2) a thriving arts sector is essential. For young people to see themselves as real participants in civic engagement with their society not as a marginalised group but as a legitimate sub-group of society, they need access to active participation in the cultural conversation, including live theatrical performance. For this, the arts community, policy makers and arts educators need to better understand young people's engagement with the major providers of theatre, and what factors inhibit or exclude them.

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LP0776894 Dr R Scutella; Dr RK Wilkins; Prof K Mavromaras; Prof P Gregg; Dr J Wadsworth; Mr DJ Perkins

Approved Project Title **Job retention and advancement of disadvantaged job-seekers**

2007 : \$ 28,765

2008 : \$ 53,765

2009 : \$ 50,500

2010 : \$ 44,644

2011 : \$ 19,144

Primary RFCD 3402 APPLIED ECONOMICS

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Brotherhood of St Laurence

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This project will use empirical methods to help determine what is necessary for job retainment and career advancement of disadvantaged jobseekers. Job retainment and advancement are essential to prolonged workforce participation and the development of human capital of disadvantaged jobseekers re-entering the workforce. Understanding and supporting the drivers of workforce participation is identified as a National Research Priority. Therefore, the project findings will be of considerable importance to employment policy development in Australia to help ensure that future policy developments improve the human capital of disadvantaged entrants to the labour market and alleviate longer-term poverty and social exclusion.

LP0776373 Prof GW Stevens; A/Prof DB Gore; Dr I Snape

Approved Project Title **Development of in Ground and on Site Technologies for Low Cost Metal Remediation of Remote Contaminated Sites**

2007 : \$ 53,500

2008 : \$ 109,000

2009 : \$ 121,500

2010 : \$ 66,000

Primary RFCD 2906 CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

APA(I) Award(s): 1

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

PANalytical Spectris Australia Pty Ltd

Veolia Environmental Services Pty Ltd (formerly Collex Pty Ltd)

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

Australia has taken a leading role internationally in promoting environmental awareness and is committed to both tackling existing pollution and mitigating future hazards. The clean-up of contaminated Australian, Antarctic and sub-Antarctic sites is seen as a national priority and research into in-situ technologies is central to meeting established remediation goals. Successful development of a low-cost in-ground remediation scheme will provide vital protection for remote Australian, Antarctic and sub-Antarctic areas. It will also do much to cement Australia as a global leader in environmental protection, offering as it does a generic remote regions metal contamination remediation solution.

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LP0776733 Dr AG White; Dr KF Jones; Dr E Koh; Dr N Veis

Approved Project Title **Framing Marginal Art: Developing an ethical, multi-dimensional framework for exhibiting art by people who experience mental illness and/or psychological trauma.**

2007 : \$ 26,470

2008 : \$ 36,470

2009 : \$ 10,000

Primary RFCD 3212 PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES

Collaborating/Partner Organisation(s)

Cunningham Dax Collection

Museum Victoria

Mental Health Foundation of Australia (Victoria)

Administering Organisation The University of Melbourne

Project Summary

This project develops an ethical, multi-dimensional framework for exhibiting creative works by people who experience mental illness and/or psychological trauma. Providing such a framework will enable these works to be exhibited ethically, which will serve the public interest by enhancing the contribution of creative programs to individual and social well-being. Furthermore, by educating the public about mental ill-health it lessens stigma and encourages those affected by illness to seek early, preventive treatment. This project, which leads to better understanding of illnesses that affect one-fifth of the population in their lifetime, will create better health outcomes for significant numbers of Australians.