

Australia announces grants to take research from lab to practice

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More than \$4.2 million awarded for new collaborations



Sydney researchers have been awarded more than \$4.2 million in federal government funding (plus additional partner funding), to work with industry and government partners, including Dulux and NSW Health, on research that solves existing business problems and takes research from the lab to practice.

Sydney was awarded three National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Partnership Projects and two Australian Research Council (ARC) Linkage Projects last week.

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) Professor Duncan Ivison said the University has a long history of collaborating with industry and includes Microsoft, Rio Tinto and Qantas among its partners.

For instance, <u>Professor Kate Curtis</u> was awarded \$1.49 million for an NHMRC Partnership Project to improve outcomes for the eight million patients that visit Australia's 287 emergency departments each year.

Professor Curtis and her team of Australia's leading emergency clinician, nurse and health economic researchers, will roll out a new framework across 31 hospitals in New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland to teach emergency nurses how to systematically assess and manage emergency patients.

On the other hand, <u>Professor Gemma Figtree</u> and her team were awarded \$1.41 million for a NHMRC Partnership Project for precision prevention of coronary artery disease.