This newsletter is for sharing information about things happening in and around the School of Biomolecular & Physical Sciences. For news from previous weeks, see http://www.griffith.edu.au/science/school-biomolecular-physical-sciences/newsletters

Griffith Awards for Excellence in Teaching

Congratulations to:

**Individual Teacher Awards**

Physical Sciences and Related Studies
Dr Martin Bridgstock

**Faculty Learning and Teaching Citations**

Science, Environment, Engineering & Technology
Dr Susan Lee
Dr Kristen Lyons
Dr Martin Bridgstock

**Dean’s Certificate of Commendation**

Dr Giovanna Di Trapani

Academic Staff Equity Development Program

Ms Madelyn Peterson has been successful in her application for Academic Staff Equity Development Program support to be released from my teaching duties during Semester 2 2008.

Madelyn will be using this time to complete the writing of my PhD, aiming to submit by end of Dec 2008.

Grants

Congratulations to:

- Dr Christine Wells, Dr Alistair Chalk and Associate Professor George Mellick were successful in their ARC international linkage application “Bioinformatics network” $75,000 over the next 3 years.

- Professor Zhihong Xu has been involved in the successful ARC Linkage International grant application ($69,700 for 2008-2010) - “Future climate change: consequences for decomposition and pathways of carbon flow through thizosphere fungal communities”, with Professor John Cairney of the University of Western Sydney as the first Chief Investigator (CI), Professor Xu the 2nd CI, and Drs. Colin Campbell and Ian Anderson of the Macaulay Institute, UK, as the Overseas Investigators. Professor Xu, Dr Chengrong Chen and postgraduate students in the Centre for Forestry and Horticultural Research will participate in the ARC Linkage International project for the next three years.
Conference

Associate Professor Debra Bernhardt attended "Statistical Physics Out of Equilibrium" at the Institut Henri Poincare, Paris 8-12th October where she presented a talk "The Dissipation Function Fluctuation Relation and its Application to Steady States".

Debra has also given talks this month at Queen Mary College - London, University of Sheffield in the United Kingdom and at the University of Basel in Switzerland.

Changes to Double Jeopardy Laws

Last Tuesday the State Government announced changes to the Double Jeopardy laws in Queensland.

Dr Alex Forrest and Dr John Garner from Forensic Science were principal forensic witnesses in the case in 2000 that brought this law up for review.

We are happy to announce that our legacy will be the changing of a law that was over 800 years old, to bring in in to line with current progress in forensic technology.

Publications


CSIRO – Positions Vacant

2007/1197 Technical Scientist
CSIRO Livestock Industries - St. Lucia, QLD Open to Australian Residents Only
To develop bioactive molecules from meat or dairy sources thus adding value to the Livestock Industries.
$48,464 - $61,681 Plus Superannuation Closing Date: 7 Nov 2007

2007/1205 Research Projects Officer - Maternity Leave Replacement
CSIRO Livestock Industries - St. Lucia, QLD Open to Australian Residents Only
This position will be employed on Food Futures project designed to isolate bioactive molecules from meat, horticulture and dairy sources.
$48K - $72K plus Superannuation Closing Date: 7 Nov 2007