

Table 1
New ARC funding awarded to Group of Eight universities,
for applications submitted from 2003 to 2006, by ARC scheme¹

ARC scheme	2003	2004	2005	2006
Discovery Projects	\$164,240,413	\$215,880,164	\$199,103,384	\$204,005,049
Discovery Indigenous Researchers Development	\$33,512	\$327,639	\$136,028	\$548,413
Federation Fellowships	\$28,874,490	\$31,766,863	\$33,618,277	\$0
Linkage - Projects	\$69,317,609	\$63,349,908	\$64,614,717	\$40,426,961
Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities	\$18,220,807	\$21,339,330	\$23,834,887	\$19,149,270
Linkage - International	\$2,372,062	\$1,727,590	\$2,405,672	\$1,909,757
ARC Centres of Excellence	\$0	\$76,000,000	\$0	\$0
ARC Research Networks	\$0	\$27,300,000	\$0	\$0
Special Research Initiatives	\$1,665,000	\$2,485,330	\$6,600,000	\$0
Total Go8	\$284,723,893	\$440,176,824	\$330,312,965	\$266,039,450
Total ARC funding	\$430,640,408	\$648,788,275	\$480,352,645	\$367,798,504
Go8 share	66.1%	67.8%	68.8%	72.3%

Table 2
New ARC funding awarded by university grouping and ARC scheme,
for applications submitted from 2003 to 2006¹

Year / ARC scheme	Group of Eight	Australian Technology Network of Universities	Innovative Research Universities Australia	New Generation Universities
2003				
Discovery Projects	\$164,240,413	\$13,655,048	\$30,697,667	\$3,566,549
Discovery Indigenous Researchers Development	\$33,512	\$0	\$144,184	\$46,444
Federation Fellowships	\$28,874,490	\$0	\$6,078,840	\$0
Linkage Projects	\$69,317,609	\$19,180,985	\$12,848,095	\$5,593,712
Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities	\$18,220,807	\$3,114,221	\$3,956,096	\$601,620
Linkage International	\$2,372,062	\$342,692	\$518,838	\$108,020
ARC Centres of Excellence	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ARC Research Networks	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Research Initiatives	\$1,665,000	\$210,000	\$400,000	\$50,000
Total for University Grouping	\$284,723,893	\$36,502,946	\$54,643,720	\$9,966,345
Total ARC funding	\$430,640,408	\$430,640,408	\$430,640,408	\$430,640,408
University Grouping share	66.1%	8.5%	12.7%	2.3%
2004				
Discovery Projects	\$215,880,164	\$19,537,543	\$32,629,221	\$5,031,591
Discovery Indigenous Researchers Development	\$327,639	\$0	\$60,720	\$76,573
Federation Fellowships	\$31,766,863	\$3,463,250	\$3,503,250	\$0
Linkage Projects	\$63,349,908	\$19,167,869	\$14,616,792	\$5,994,831
Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities	\$21,339,330	\$897,196	\$3,267,729	\$969,326
Linkage International	\$1,727,590	\$850,336	\$309,767	\$0
ARC Centres of Excellence	\$76,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
ARC Research Networks	\$27,300,000	\$4,750,000	\$7,950,000	\$2,000,000
Special Research Initiatives	\$2,485,330	\$458,261	\$240,254	\$70,000
Total for University Grouping	\$440,176,824	\$49,124,455	\$62,577,733	\$14,142,321
Total ARC funding	\$648,788,275	\$648,788,275	\$648,788,275	\$648,788,275
University Grouping share	67.8%	7.6%	9.6%	2.2%
2005				
Discovery Projects	\$199,103,384	\$17,575,135	\$28,034,489	\$5,976,085
Discovery Indigenous Researchers Development	\$136,028	\$0	\$159,713	\$0
Federation Fellowships	\$33,618,277	\$1,581,110	\$0	\$0
Linkage Projects	\$64,614,717	\$24,826,292	\$8,588,967	\$6,819,294
Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities	\$23,834,887	\$3,430,000	\$5,716,240	\$624,000
Linkage International	\$2,405,672	\$146,185	\$341,870	\$28,000
ARC Centres of Excellence	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ARC Research Networks	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Research Initiatives	\$6,600,000	\$0	\$0	\$3,400,000
Total for University Grouping	\$330,312,965	\$47,558,722	\$42,841,279	\$16,847,379
Total ARC funding	\$480,352,645	\$480,352,645	\$480,352,645	\$480,352,645
University Grouping share	68.8%	9.9%	8.9%	3.5%

2006				
Discovery Projects	\$204,005,049	\$14,205,087	\$24,250,110	\$5,879,955
Discovery - Indigenous Researchers Development	\$548,413	\$149,000	\$185,701	\$125,000
Federation Fellowship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Linkage Projects	\$40,426,961	\$7,848,608	\$5,936,500	\$1,543,949
Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities	\$19,149,270	\$1,550,000	\$4,516,680	\$101,967
Linkage - International	\$1,909,757	\$509,176	\$221,624	\$20,080
Centres of Excellence	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ARC Research Networks	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Research Initiatives	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total for University Grouping	\$266,039,450	\$24,261,871	\$35,110,615	\$7,670,951
Total ARC funding	\$367,798,504	\$367,798,504	\$367,798,504	\$367,798,504
University Grouping share	72.3%	6.6%	9.5%	2.1%

¹ The University Groupings are comprised as follows: **Group of Eight** - Monash University, The Australian National University, The University of Adelaide, The University of Melbourne, The University of New South Wales, The University of Queensland, The University of Sydney and The University of Western Australia; **Australian Technology Network of Universities** - University of South Australia, Queensland University of Technology, University of Technology, Sydney, RMIT University and Curtin University of Technology; **Innovative Research Universities Australia** - Flinders University, Griffith University, La Trobe University, Macquarie University, Murdoch University and The University of Newcastle; **New Generation Universities** - Australian Catholic University, Central Queensland University, Charles Darwin University, Edith Cowan University, Southern Cross University, University of Ballarat, University of Canberra, University of the Sunshine Coast, University of Western Sydney and Victoria University. The Groupings do not include all universities and administering organisations eligible for ARC funding.

Amounts are indicative funding over the lives of projects approved on the basis of proposals submitted to the ARC in each of the years shown. Funding for proposals submitted in 2004 includes rounds for ARC Centres of Excellence and ARC Research Networks. Funding for proposals submitted in 2006 excludes funding for rounds yet to be finalised eg Linkage Projects Round 2 and Federation Fellowships, and also excludes funding for a small number of activities, where proposals were not submitted electronically.

By comparison, total cash disbursements from the ARC in the calendar years 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 were \$355.843m, \$409.894m, \$505.452m and \$571.140m.

Source: Australian Research Council, November 2006