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KCA Annual Conference: Global Partnerships & Commercialisation

9-10 September 2021, Virtual
All program times listed are AEST

DAY 1 – THURSDAY 9 TH SEPTEMBER	
10:30-10:35am	<p>Opening Address Dr. Erin Rayment, Chair, KCA <i>Executive Director, Industry Engagement at Queensland University of Technology</i></p>
10:35-10:40am	<p>Welcome message from the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources Anthony McGregor, General Manager – Research and Collaboration</p>
10:40-11:25am	<p>Keynote Session: The future outlook for research commercialisation and global partnerships Introduction by Doug Horton, Principal, Spruson & Ferguson Moderator: Simon Wilkins, Director (Sponsorship), KCA; Venture Creator, Business Development & Innovation (RIC); A/Professor, BioDesign Innovation at Melbourne Business School & Co-founder, Translating Research at Melbourne (TRAM) Keynotes: Professor Duncan Maskell, Vice Chancellor, The University of Melbourne Anne-Marie Birkill, Venture Partner and Director, One Ventures</p> <p><i>What is the outlook for global partnerships and commercialisation and how might we think about local and international experiences in the context of a challenging year for research funding and the sector, but also a standout year for venture capital investment? Learning the lessons from the COVID response, climate science and beyond, the keynote panel discussion will help set the context for the conference at large.</i></p>
11:25-11:35am	<p>BREAK Take the opportunity to network with your industry colleagues and sponsors.</p>
11:35-11:55am	<p>Survey of Commercialisation Outcomes from Public Research (SCOPR) 2021 Report – Results, Trends & Analysis Dr. Erin Rayment, Chair, KCA <i>Executive Director, Industry Engagement at Queensland University of Technology</i></p> <p><i>KCA’s Survey of Commercialisation Outcomes from Public Research (SCOPR), delivered by commercialisation company Gemaker, showcases the vital work of Technology Transfer professionals who move research from the lab into everyday use.</i></p> <p><i>SCOPR enables benchmarking of participating institutions’ research industry engagement and commercialisation results relative to the sector, to inform their policies and planning. For the wider community, it shows the real-world impact and dollar outcomes of public sector research.</i></p>
11:55am-12:15pm	<p>Technology Transfer: International Benchmarking and How we Compare Dr. Tim Boyle, Director, KCA <i>Director, Innovation & Commercialisation at the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation</i></p>

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	<p><i>Recent media has claimed that “Australia’s level of research commercialisation is one of the worst in the developed world”. Concurrently the Australian Minister for Education has launched a comprehensive policy reform through the University Research Commercialisation Taskforce and referenced the US, UK, Japan and Israel as nations with commercialisation success we should aspire to. But how does Australian research commercialisation performance really measure up with respect to our international peers? In this session Tim Boyle, Chair of ATTP will present the surprising outcomes of a longitudinal review benchmarking global commercialisation metrics.</i></p>
<p>12:15-12:35pm</p>	<p>SHORT BREAK Take the opportunity to network with your industry colleagues and sponsors.</p>
<p>12:35–1:15pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vaccine commercialisation during a global pandemic Moderator: Linh Nguyen, Principal, Linhlaw</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Contractual and negotiation approach to the vaccine development and commercialisation of the technology</i></p> <p>Professor Trent Munro, Senior Group Leader, Australian Institute for Bioengineering & Nanotechnology at The University of Queensland</p> <p><i>The emergence of SARS-CoV-2 and the resultant COVID-19 pandemic highlighted both the need for both rapid vaccine platform advancement and the importance of academic partnership with industry. Few within the scientific community would have predicted that multiple vaccines would be rolled out into the community in less than 12 months. I will present a snapshot of the range of commercial partnership that that were required to drive the UQ vaccine program forward and also discuss the important of industry and academic collaboration when it comes to solving global challenges, such as future pandemic preparedness.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Data transparency: a modern requirement and challenge for vaccine development</i></p> <p>Dr. Kirsty Short, Senior Lecturer, School of Chemistry and Molecular Biosciences at The University of Queensland</p> <p><i>Dr. Short will draw on her extensive science communication and media experience to talk about the essential role that communication plays in successful vaccine commercialisation and uptake. Using the example of the AstraZeneca vaccine roll-out in Australia she will discuss the challenges associated with the public need for data availability and transparency and the IP and commercial requirements of vaccine developers.</i></p>
<p>1:15-2:10pm</p>	<p>What can we learn about research commercialisation from start-ups and spin outs? Start-up stories and case studies Introduction by Simon Wilkins, Director (Sponsorship), KCA</p> <p><i>Start-ups and spin outs are a particular focus for many stakeholders right now, including the government, research institutions and, of course, investors; but how can universities best support and engage with start-ups? Should research commercialisation teams focus on creating spin-outs, or just “get out of the way”? This session will examine the observations from the sector as a whole, through the lens of the findings of the Innovation & Impact Journal’s 2nd annual edition, as well as the specific perspectives and experience of an investor, an ASX-listed university spinout, a student-led start-up collaborating with a university on a grant and a university spin out that has recently raised its first investment round.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderator: Mike Molinari, Managing Director at IP Group Australia Panellists: Dr. Maher Khaled, Director, Business Development at ResApp Health</p>

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	<p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Charlie Day, CEO at Jupiter Ionics Alex Newton, CEO; and A/Prof. Christiane Theda, CMO at Navi Medical Technologies Fatima Nasrallah, Editor, I&I Journal & Senior Research Scientist, The Queensland Brain Institute, UOQ</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Australian edition of the Innovation and impact journal aims to bring together siloed innovation hubs from across Australia to highlight successes, failures, and the lessons learnt. In 2021, we publish the 2nd edition of our publication with the continued support from KCA. The issue brings forward expert opinions on the role of policy in driving innovation forward and highlights entrepreneurial experiences in the different Australian ecosystems.</i></p>
<p>2:10-2:20pm</p>	<p>BREAK</p> <p>Take the opportunity to network with your industry colleagues and sponsors.</p>
<p>2:20-3pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">KCA 2021 Awards Presenter: Dr. Tim Boyle, Director, KCA</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The KCA Awards celebrate the achievements of members, and highlight “top tier work” in Australasian tech transfer. This year the KCA Awards are expanding to 4 categories as a response to change and growth in the profession and to be inclusive of the activities of KCA members.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Finalists for the KCA Award for Best Industry Collaboration will pitch their submissions for an audience selected Popular Choice Award:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">“COVID-19 Recovery Programs for impacted small to medium enterprise” Dr. Cerasela Tansescu, Director, La Trobe Innovation and Entrepreneurship</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“REMi non-invasive aged-care resident monitoring and alert system - Collaboration between RMIT University, Sleptite and Sleepzee Bedding Australia” Professor Madhu Bhaskaran, Co-Leader, Functional Materials and Microsystems, RMIT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“v2food CSIRO - industry collaboration” Phil Morle, Partner, Main Sequence & Chair, v2food</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The 2021 KCA Award categories are:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KCA Award for Best Industry Collaboration, Sponsored by AbbVie • KCA Award for Best Licensing Deal, Sponsored by AbbVie • KCA Award for Best Spin-out, Sponsored by Phillips Ormonde Fitzpatrick • KCA Award for Best Knowledge Exchange Initiative <p style="text-align: center;">KCA Annual Awards is Sponsored by</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
<p>3:15-3:30pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">KCA Annual General Meeting *KCA Members Only</p>

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DAY 2 – FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

10:30-10:32am	<p align="center">Day Two Opening Quin Chang, Deputy Chair, KCA <i>Senior Manager, Research Partnership at RMIT University</i></p>
10:32-10:45am	<p align="center">Q&A with Australia's Chief Scientist Dr. Cathy Foley, Australia's Chief Scientist Quin Chang, Deputy Chair, KCA <i>Senior Manager, Research Partnership at RMIT University</i></p> <p><i>Australia's Chief Scientist, Dr. Cathy Foley sits down with KCA's Deputy Chair, Quin Chang to discuss her perspective on research commercialisation in Australia, the latest SCOPR survey results and the cultural shift that is occurring in research organisations.</i></p>
10:45-11:30am	<p align="center">Commercialisation in Australia and New Zealand: do we have it right? Moderator: Mark Ashton, Executive Director, Intellectual Property Commercialisation at Uniquist Panellists: Professor Mark Harvey, Vice President, Business Development at Queensland University of Technology Dr. Alastair Hick, Senior Director, Monash Innovation at Monash University Debra Hall, Director, KiwiNet Stella Xu, Senior Associate, Main Sequence Ventures</p> <p><i>Does Australia have the right settings for commercialisation to thrive? Are other countries doing it better? Our expert panel explores and discusses the recent University Research Commercialisation Scheme (URCS) which aims to better translate and commercialise university research outputs.</i></p>
11:30-11:40am	<p align="center">BREAK Take the opportunity to network with your industry colleagues and sponsors.</p>
11:40am-12:10pm	<p align="center">Indigenous knowledge translation – examples, mechanisms and pathways Moderator: May Low, COO, Kiwi Innovation Network Ltd <i>This session focuses on commercialisation and translation of Indigenous IP and Traditional Knowledge, both in New Zealand and Australia. In particular, the ways in which Indigenous IP and Traditional Knowledge should be considered and treated and how to work collaboratively with and share benefits with communities</i></p> <p align="center">TTO's and indigenous knowledge Graham Strong, Commercialisation Manager, Otago Innovation <i>Universities are crucibles of medical and pharmaceutical innovation, and indigenous knowledge is a significant contributor to that innovation. Using Māori medical knowledge in manuka as an exemplar, I suggest a simple but key element that technology transfer offices might consider when working with indigenous knowledge in the inventive process.</i></p> <p align="center">The approach taken to translate Kuuku l'Yu food and medicine in plants Dr Susan Semple, Senior Research Fellow, University of South Australia <i>As part of developing a management plan for their homelands, the Chuulangun Aboriginal Corporation initiated the Kuuku l'yu medicinal plants project in collaboration with the University of South Australia. This</i></p>

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	<p><i>project has investigated food and medicinal plant species to share Western scientific and Traditional Knowledge perspectives on their properties and effects, and to create a model for equitable partnership.</i></p>
12:10-12:15pm	<p>RTTP Accreditation: Successful candidates announced Dr. Tim Boyle, Director, KCA <i>Director, Innovation & Commercialisation at the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation</i></p> <p><i>Announcement and presentation of the 2021 Registered Technology Transfer Professionals (RTTP) recipients.</i></p>
12:15-12:35pm	<p>Getting your RTTP Accreditation: Tips, Tricks and How to Apply Dr. Melissa Mail, RTTP Peer Review Panel Member <i>Knowledge Transfer Manager at Meat and Livestock Australia</i></p> <p><i>Are you a knowledge transfer or commercialisation practitioner working in universities, industry or government labs? Looking for international recognition for your ability to translate knowledge and research into impact in society and the economy?</i></p> <p><i>Join Dr Melissa Mail, a member of the RTTP Review Panel, as she demystifies the application process and shares tips on how to highlight RTTPs core competencies, skills and experience to prepare the strongest application possible.</i></p>
12:35-12:40pm	<p>KCA Networks – how to connect after the KCA Conference Dr. Bayode Ero-Phillips, Chair, KCA WA Network <i>Senior Research Commercialisation Officer, The University of Western Australia</i></p>
12:40-1PM	<p>SHORT BREAK</p> <p>Take the opportunity to network with your industry colleagues and sponsors and be sure to take a few minutes to stretch your legs!</p>
1-2PM	<p>KCA and ARMS Panel Discussion: Opportunities for better collaboration Moderator: Evelyn Body, Board Director, KCA <i>Director of Commercialisation, UniServices</i> Dr. Erin Rayment, Chair, KCA <i>Executive Director, Industry Engagement at Queensland University of Technology</i> Dr. Ross McLennan, President, ARMS <i>Executive Director, Research Services at Macquarie University</i> Dr. Bayode Ero-Phillips, Chair, KCA WA Network <i>Senior Research Commercialisation Officer, The University of Western Australia</i> Lisa Elliot, Head of Research Development Team, Griffith University</p> <p><i>The Grants office vs the IP office, who does it better? KCA and the Australasian Research Management Society (ARMS) join forces to deliver a session that examines the different perspectives of each office and their role in the research cycle. With government and universities placing increasing emphasis on university-business collaboration and commercialisation, the changing landscape highlights the need for these offices to better collaborate and coordinate.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">  Australasian Research Management Society </p>



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2-2:05PM	<p align="center">Closing remarks <i>Dr. Bayode Ero-Phillips, Deputy Chair, KCA Conference Committee</i></p>
2:15-3PM	<p align="center">KCA CONFERENCE CLOSE VIRTUAL NETWORKING</p> <p align="center">Sponsored by</p> 

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