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Sharon Bird MP
Federal Member for Cunningham

University of Wollongong awarded \$8.6 million in research funding

The University of Wollongong will receive \$8.6 million for 23 research projects awarded under the Australian Research Council's Discovery Projects scheme, Federal Member for Cunningham, Sharon Bird, announced today.

"The funding for the University of Wollongong is part of 845 projects nationwide that will lead to discoveries in a range of areas, including environmental sustainability, promoting good health, and frontier technologies for industry", Ms Bird said.

The Discovery Projects scheme funds excellence in fundamental research and is part of the Australian Research Council's National Competitive Grants Programme.

The criteria for funding include a researcher's track record, capacity to undertake the research work, significance and innovation of the proposed research and national benefit.

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Inquiries on individual research projects should be referred to the University of Wollongong.