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\$1.6 million in research grants for University of Wollongong

The University of Wollongong will benefit from \$1.6 million in research funding for five projects under the Commonwealth Government's *Linkage Projects Scheme*, Federal Member for Cunningham, Sharon Bird, announced today.

"The *Linkage Projects Scheme* enables universities to undertake valuable, innovative research projects in partnership with industry.

"Research areas to be covered at the University of Wollongong include civil engineering, electrical and electronic engineering, physical chemistry, computer software and environmental engineering.

"These projects will involve partner contributions from industry through cash or in-kind support as well as the Commonwealth Government's funding.

"The University of Wollongong continues to punch above its weight in helping Australia's research and innovation task", Ms Bird said.

The Commonwealth Government's investment at the University of Wollongong over the last 16 months amounts to \$165.5 million.

The Commonwealth Government announced on 11 June 2010 a \$25.1 million investment to construct a new state of the art facility at the Innovation Campus to ensure energy efficient and sustainable buildings.

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