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Trajan and University of Tasmania Succeeds with ARC Application for \$2.1 M from Australian Government

Trajan Scientific and Medical (Trajan) is pleased to announce that the Australian Research Council (ARC) has selected the University of Tasmania (UTAS) and Trajan's proposal to create an ARC Training Centre for Portable Analytical Separation Technologies.

The program will see the Australian Government committing more than A\$2.1 million funding from 2014 over three years, to establish and provide ongoing support to the Training Centre. The partnership of Trajan and UTAS combines industry knowledge and research to innovate in product design, development and manufacturing techniques.

The ARC's Industrial Transformation Training Centres Scheme aims to foster close partnerships between university-based researchers and other research end-users to provide innovative Higher Degree by Research (HDR) and postdoctoral training for the end-user focused research industries vital to Australia's future.

Trajan encompasses a group of companies including SGE Analytical Science, Grate HDS and SciMed Precision with over 300 staff worldwide, and customers in over 100 countries.

Trajan's focus is on developing and commercializing technologies that enable analytical systems to be more selective, sensitive and specific for biological, environmental or food related measurements, especially those that can lead to portability, miniaturization and affordability.

Stephen Tomisich, Trajan's Chief Executive Officer said, "Developing the new ARC Training Centre for Portable Analytical Separation Technologies with the University of Tasmania, is aligned with Trajan's vision to engage in partnerships to deliver breakthrough solutions to the world.

"The Separation Science team at the University of Tasmania are world leaders and we are excited to be building our partnership with them.

"Our passion is to have a positive impact on the world of analytical and medical science; and this collaboration propels us towards that goal."

More Information

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1. Trajan Scientific and Medical

Trajan aspires to bring together a range of global businesses in the fields of scientific and medical analysis that have a common bond; to focus on developing and commercializing technologies that enable analytical systems to be more selective, sensitive and specific for biological, environmental or food related measurements, especially those that can lead to portability, miniaturization and affordability.

Trajan, formed in 2011, has a global presence with around 300 staff worldwide, with headquarters in Melbourne, Australia and significant operations in the USA, Europe and Japan.

In October 2011, Trajan acquired the pathology consumables business of Grate Scientific (Victoria, Australia). In June 2013, Grate Scientific acquired the consumables business of HD Scientific (New South Wales, Australia) to become a new entity, Grate HDS.

In May 2013, Trajan acquired the Chromatography and Liquid Handling businesses of SGE Analytical Science, since its foundation in 1961 has become a leader in creating components and consumables used in scientific analysis.

SciMed Precision was established in June 2013, borne from over 50 years manufacturing experience as a division within SGE Analytical Science.

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2. Australian Research Council

National Competitive Grants Program - Industrial Transformation Training Centres

The Industrial Transformation Training Centres is a scheme that will foster close partnerships between university-based researchers and other research end-users to provide innovative Higher Degree by Research (HDR) and postdoctoral training for the end-user focused research industries vital to Australia's future. Over a five-year period the ARC will award funding for up to 50 Training Centres with funding for at least ten (10) Higher Degree by Research candidates and three (3) postdoctoral fellows in each Training Centre.

The Industrial Transformation Training Priorities are research areas identified by the ARC. Funding commencing in 2014 will have a dual focus: food and manufacturing. The Program will continue to address research areas that are vital for, and assist with, Australia's future food storage, food processing, food manufacturing capabilities and product opportunities. In addition, the Program will target product design and development, manufacturing techniques, defence manufacturing and firm organisation and management.

The objectives of the Industrial Transformation Training Centres scheme are to:

1. foster opportunities for Higher Degree by Research candidates and postdoctoral fellows to pursue industrial training and to enhance competitive research in collaboration between universities and organisations outside the Australian higher education sector; and
2. strengthen Australia's Industrial Transformation Priorities to supplement the needs of industries and other research end-users.

ARC Industrial Transformation Training Centres www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/itrp/centres_default.htm