

## MUCAB new fee structure (5/6/2006)

### ELS

**\$30 per day per equipment item booked\***

**\$15 half day (<4 hours) per equipment item booked**

**Maximum yearly charge of \$3,000 per research group**

### Other, University

**\$40 per day per equipment item booked**

**\$20 half day (<4 hours) per equipment item booked**

**Maximum yearly charge of \$4,000 per research group**

*This charge will cover the cost of some HPLC solvents, basic parts, and standard columns only. Major users will be expected to individually purchase their own chromatography columns. Users of the biosensor will need to purchase their own sensor chips. User fee will include instructions at an introductory level (up to one day/instrumentation) on arrangement with MUCAB manager. \*Note, excludes mass spec.*

*Early career researches (ECR) can apply for reduced fee charges in writing, prior to commencement of current billing period. An ECR is within 5 years of a research or academic appointment at Macquarie University and is within 5 years of completion of a PhD. An ECR cannot hold any grants from major external funding bodies in excess of \$50K/year (ie ARC, NHMRC)*

- New fee charges to commence **1<sup>st</sup> July 2006**
- Accounts for **1st January 2006 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006** to be sent as 'half' the 'three-tiered' fee structure (ie Low use: <10 days/half year = \$250; Intermediate Use: 10-20 days/half year = \$750; High use/half year: >20 days = \$1500.)
- Reduced fees for Early Career researchers.
- Fees for mass spec facility to be charged separate to all other MUCAB instrumentation, as per current fee structure for Shimadzu LCMS
- No research group will be financially 'worse off' under the new fee structure. For example, the following are the savings that can be achieved under the new rates when compared to the 'three tiered user' fee structure:
  - Low user (<10 days/year, was \$500) = minimum savings of \$200
  - Intermediate user (10-20 days/year, was \$1500) = savings of \$900 to \$1,170 (i.e. 19 days or 11 days use, respectively)
  - High user (> 20 days, was \$3000) = maximum savings of \$2370 (ie 21 days of use). Days of use in excess of 100 days/year are not charged.