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**Appendix 1: Further Detail on Projects and Research Teams**
1. ACRC research program, 1 October 2009 – 30 September 2010

Research in the ACRC, which operated for the second year as an MQRC in 2010, is advanced through a series of research programs, which act as collaborative foci for the related projects that sit within them (cf. www.acrc.mq.edu.au/research; titles of programs are signaled below in BOLD SMALL CAPS; project titles are in italics). Further detail on the some of the projects discussed here and researchers participating in them may be found in Appendix 1, to which cross-references are given below.

EXCAVATIONS IN EGYPT: Eight teams worked at various sites during late 2009 and 2010.

During November-December, 2009 Kanawati and Woods excavated the cemetery of Meir in Upper Egypt, where the tomb of a high official named Hapi-kem was discovered (App. 1, 1). In January-February, as part of the final season of the ARC-funded project Enduring is the Perfection, in January 2010 Kanawati and Woods conducted the last season of fieldwork at Saqqara. The work concentrated on the recording of the tomb of Nefer and Ka-hay, one of the best-preserved tombs in the Wenis Cemetery. As part of the same project, in January and February 2010 Ockinga led a team recording the New Kingdom levels of the cemetery at Saqqara. Although Christiana Köhler took up a position at the University of Vienna in late 2009, Macquarie maintains an association with the site under excavation at Helwan, and Macquarie students participated in the excavation season at the site in January and February 2010, again funded under the ARC project Enduring is the Perfection.

Following a survey in 2009 at Beni Hassan, a concession for the site was granted by the Supreme Council of Antiquities to Kanawati and Woods; in June-July, 2010 the first fieldwork season was conducted in the tomb of Khnum-hotep II. Beth Thompson led further surveys in Jan.-Feb. 2010 at the Old Kingdom cemetery at Tehna. In December 2009 and January 2010, Ockinga led the Macquarie University Theban Tombs Project team at Dra Abu el-Naga, which undertook epigraphic collation and conservation in Theban Tomb 147 (Neferrenpet), and epigraphic recording in Theban Tomb 233; in addition to working in 233, Choat also worked on textual artifacts from TT 233 in the Gurnah magazine (App. 1, 7). With the assistance of MQRDG funding, Parry and Choat surveyed the Western escarpment at Sohag in January 2010 as part of the project Monks in the Pharaohs’ Tombs, locating several hitherto undocumented monastic settlements (App. 1, 6). Tristant continued his work with the French Institute for Oriental Archaeology in Cairo during May-June at Abou Roach and in the Eastern Desert in the Wadi ‘Araba.

THE MAINTENANCE OF CULTURAL TRADITION IN PHARAOIC EGYPT: Kanawati and Woods worked at Beni Hassan and Meir (see above), with internal funding (with L. Evans and Gore) for the projects Civil War and its Aftermath: Interpreting the Egyptian Middle Kingdom Art and Inscriptions in the Tomb of Khnumhotep II at Beni Hassan and Between two peaks: Tracing Egypt’s cultural transition from the Old Kingdom to the Middle Kingdom at Meir.

CULTURAL EXCHANGE ALONG THE SILK ROAD: Lieu and Mikkelsen, along with local associates and international collaborators, continued work on the Corpus Fontium Manichaeorum (CFM) (App. 1, 2). The final manuscript of a CFM Subsidia 6, Greek and Latin Sources on Manichaean Cosmogony (trans. G. Fox and J. Sheldon with commentary by Lieu) was submitted to the publishers. Successful applications for funding for the project China and the Ancient Mediterranean World (App. 1, 3) were made to the ARC (Lieu, Mikkelsen, with local and international collaborators) and the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation (Mikkelsen). John Sheldon’s volume of Texts of Greek and Latin Authors on the Far East I. Texts and Translations was sent to the publishers and will appear in late 2010 or early 2011.

Mikkelsen continued work on Manichaean hymns and prayers in Chinese translation: an investigation of the gāthās in the Dunhuang Hymn-sroll, funded during 2010 on a MQNS won in 2009. Chan initiated the project Early Chinese Thought in the Newly Discovered Ancient Bamboo
Manuscripts, for which she secured MQRDG funding (2010–2012), and continued work on her Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation-funded project Translation and Interpretation of the Confucian Texts in the Excavated 4th Century BCE Guodian Chu Bamboo Slips from China.

**Language, Script, and Acculturation in Graeco-Roman Egypt: Evans** won ARC-funding for a major new project, ‘Words from the Sand: A Lexical Analysis of Early Greek Papyri from Egypt’ (with J. Lee, Senior Research Fellow, Macquarie University, and J. Aitken, Cambridge University). This project was officially launched on 8 April 2010, during a visit to Macquarie by Aitken. As part of the ARC-funded project Communication networks in Upper Egyptian monastic communities Choat worked on texts in Theban Tomb 233 in Luxor December 2009, while Heike Behlmer (PI) and Matt Underwood (RA) worked on texts in Theban Tomb 95 in Luxor on two occasions during 2010. Choat also continued work on a new research arc on Seeking the Bilingual Scribe in Late Antique Egypt (MQNS-funded, 2009-2010), preparing for an ARC application on the theme in 2011.

**The Makings of the Modern Mediterranean World: Dzino** initiated his ARC (APD) funded project Ancient and Medieval Identity-shifts and the Construction of Identities in Post-Yugoslav Space. With RA Duncan Keenan-Jones, Lieu continued work on satellite and electronic mapping of ancient Gallipoli for the project Gallipoli before Gallipoli (App. 1, 5). Beness and Hillard continued work on the Macquarie Dictionary of Roman Social and Political Biography.

**Animals in the Ancient World: L. Evans** continued work on her MQRF project The ancient Egyptians’ atypical relationship with invertebrates. In 2010 the project focused on data collection and, in particular, a reassessment of past scholarship on the representation of invertebrate species in ancient Egyptian art.

**The Archaeology of the Ancient Mediterranean: Hillard and Beness** continued work on the Ancient Torone Underwater Investigation, publishing three articles on the project and preparing for an ARC application on the project in 2011. As part of her MQRF project Beyond the city walls: the landscapes of Aquileia, Traviglia surveyed outside the city walls at Aquileia. Sheedy worked on Delos with two architects and an epigrapher.

**The Macquarie Papyrus Project:** Work continued on the first two volumes of the series P. Macquarie: volume 1 (ed. Choat and I. Gardner, University of Sydney) is almost ready to be sent to the publishers. Two Centre members (Choat and Evans) and 3 of the HDR students presented papers at the 26th International Congress of Papyrology in Geneva in August 2010.

**Frontier Technologies and Ancient History:** Gore and Choat were part of a team that successfully won funding for a luminescence dating facility now based at Macquarie; further funding for the facility was secured with an RIBG application. Traviglia’s MQRF project Beyond the city walls: the landscapes of Aquileia offers many opportunities for future developments in this area.

**The Early Christian and Jewish World in its Graeco-Roman Context:** Work by Nobbs, Choat, and associated researchers continued on the project Papyri from the Rise of Christianity in Egypt.

As well as Centre members presenting papers and local and international meetings and within Macquarie, the Centre also held a number of colloquia and conferences during the year (details in 7e).
2. PROGRESS AGAINST OBJECTIVES AND AGREED KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

ACRC KPIs (reproduced from MQRC Application)

1. Publications
   a. 16 A1/ B1 / C1 outputs in ERA highly ranked journals and publishers
   b. Maintain research active status of Centre Members as defined by MQ Research Office

2. Peer Recognition
   a. Track academic impact of output via citations, to be measured (in the absence of comprehensive academic citation sources) via data recorded by the MQACRC
   b. 1 invitation to present keynote or panel addresses at a major international forum
   c. 1 invitation to convene a panel / section / program unit at a major international conference

3. Education, Training, and Career articulation
   a. Maintain at least 45 HDR students under the supervision of Centre members
   b. Attract 5 new HDR students to work in the Centre
   c. 2 HDR completions
   d. Secure funding for at least one post-doctoral short-term fellowship for thesis publication
      i. 5 year KPI: Attract and secure at least 1 junior post-doc (ARC, APD, MQRF) every two years

4. International / National Collaboration and Cooperative Arrangements
   a. Maintain 5 international or national research collaborations
      i. 5 year KPI: 3 new collaborations within the first 5 years of the Centre
   b. 3 reciprocal visits between Centre members and their counterparts at overseas institutions
   c. 5 papers presented by Centre members at overseas conferences
   d. Announce and begin organisation for 1 international conference at Macquarie
      i. 5 Year KPI: Host 1 major international conference every 3 years

5. External Financial Support
   a. Apply for and attract at least 1 external competitive grant, and at least $30,000 in internal grants annually (as seed projects for external grant applications)
   b. Increase financial support from private sectors
      i. 5 year KPI: Increase both application and success rates for competitive research grants for MQACRC members

6. Marketing of MQACRC Activities and Public Impact
   a. Increase media coverage of MQACRC projects
   b. Create an MQACRC website projecting Macquarie’s image and attracting web-traffic
   c. Institute a seminar series to promote the Centre and attract potential external collaborators

7. Management Effectiveness
   a. Appoint Centre Director, Executive, and Advisory board
   b. Develop effective pathways for new members to join the Centre, including mentoring, grant-writing training and support, and inclusion in collaborative research projects
   c. Induct 2 new members who meet MQACRC entrance criteria into the Centre
   d. Ensure the maintenance of synergy between Research Centre, Faculty Research Plan, and MQ strategic goals
      i. 5 Year KPI: Successfully maintain initial 5-year budget and income stream to support all MQACRC grant projects and activities
      ii. 5 year KPI: Prepare for benchmarking against Centre for Archaeology & Ancient History (Monash University), Institute for the Study of the Ancient World (New York), Centre for the Study of Ancient Documents (Oxford), and Oriental Institute (Chicago)
Progress against these KPIs was as follows:

1. Publications
   (a) Members of the centre published 66 DEST proxy outputs during the period January – October 2010 (cf. 8, below).
   (b) All Centre Members maintained research active status as defined by Macquarie University Research Office.

2. Peer Recognition
   (a) A trial method of recording citation data for ACRC members was trialed was not considered cost-effective, and the Executive encouraged Centre members to keep track of citations of their own work.
   (b) A number of centre staff gave invited lectures overseas (see 8b, c).
   (c) Lieu was appointed Walker Ames Visiting Professorship at University of Washington at Seattle in April.
   (d) ACRC members participated in the ARC ERA exercise, with the aim of contributing to a successful performance by Macquarie in HCA cluster, especially within the FoR codes 2101 (Archaeology), 2103 (Historical Studies) and 2204 (Religion and Religious Studies).

3. Education, Training, and Career articulation
   (a) The total number of HDR students supervised by ACRC members at the time of the report was 105 (see 8b).
   (b) This included 33 candidates who commenced Higher Degree Research in the Centre in 2009 (see 8a)
   (c) 7 ACRC HDR candidates completed during 2010 (listed below at 8c).
   (d) The ACRC or candidates associated with it attracted the following funding:
      (i) Funding for travelling fellowships for HDR candidates was secured from the Society for the Study of Early Christianity and Tyndale House; and from Mrs Janet Gale and the estate of Dr Bill Gale, who funded a 9-month scholarship to the British School at Rome and two Travelling Fellowships in Graeco-Roman History.
      (ii) External funding ($25000) was secured from Mrs Valerie Rundle which enabled a competitive short-term fellowship for thesis publication.
      (iv) External funding ($21000) was secured from Mr Bryce Courtney which enabled a competitive short-term fellowship for HDR Thesis completion.
      (v) Via University and Faculty funding, and donations, 2 postdoctoral fellows in the field of Early Christianity were appointed in July 2010 to three-year fellowships (Dr Brent Nongbri, PhD Yale 2008; Dr Cavan Concannon, PhD Harvard 2010). A Foundation to raise money for a perpetual fellowship in the field was launched.
      (vi) A candidate (Dr Danijel Dzino) sponsored by an ACRC member (Gillett) won an APD ARC fellowship and began working in the Centre in 2010.
      (vii) A candidate (Dr Ariana Trevalia) sponsored by an ACRC member (Hillard) won an MQRF fellowship and began working in the Centre in 2010.

4. International / National Collaboration and Cooperative Arrangements
   (a) The existing international and national research collaborations were maintained, including e.g, those of Choat with I. Gardner (USyd) and H. Behlmer (Göttingen). Two new major international collaborations were inaugurated:
      (i) T. Evans, along with J. Lee (Honorary Senior Research fellow) established a new collaboration with J. Aitken (Cambridge University), in the project Words from the sand: A lexical analysis of early Greek papyri from Egypt, for which ARC funding was obtained for 2010–2014.
(ii) **Lieu** and **Mikkelsen** established a new collaboration with J. Markley (CSU Fullerton), N. Sims-Williams (SOAS, London), G. Greatrex (Ottawa) and T. Loden (Stockholm), in the project *China and the ancient Mediterranean world*, for which ARC funding was obtained for 2010–2012.

(b) ACRC members both visited overseas colleagues, and hosted them: among these reciprocal visits were:

(i) **Choat** visited Göttingen in July to work with H. Behlmer.

**Lieu** worked in Cambridge in first semester 2010, and lectured at Ottawa, Stanford, UCLA and CSU at Fullerton

**T. Evans** worked in Oxford in September–October 2010.

**Chan** visited the Research Centre for Excavated Texts and Philological Studies at Fudan University in July.

**Welborn** spent five weeks working at the library at Corinth.

(ii) International collaborators visiting the ACRC (examples)

• Dr James Aitken (Cambridge University) visited in April 2010 to work with T. Evans on the project *Words from the Sand*.

• Prof. Salima Ikram (American University in Cairo) and Dr. Aidan Dodson (Bristol, UK) spoke at the conference ‘Death, Tombs and Mummies’ (7.8.2010).

• Dr Lucy-Anne Hunt (Manchester Metropolitan University, UK) visited to take part on the Conference *The Real Picture of Jesus – Text and Image* (8.5.2010)

• Prof. Hannah Cotton (Hebrew University Jerusalem) visited as the Sir Asher Joel Fellow for 2010 in August.

• Professors Dietrich Wildung (Egyptian Museum, Berlin), Andreas Mehl (University of Halle), Bezalel Porten (Hebrew University, Jerusalem), and John Rich (University of Nottingham) visited and gave papers during 2010.

(c) 18 papers were presented by Centre members at overseas institutions or conferences (listed in full at 8b,c).

(d) Plans were finalized for the symposium ‘Epistolary Conversations: Opening the Letter of Classical and Late Antiquity’, to be held on 15.11.2010 as a joint symposium with the Centre for Early Christian Studies, Australian Catholic University

5. External Financial Support

(a) Two ARC-DP applications by Centre members (T. Evans; Lieu and Mikkelsen) were successful. A team including ACRC members (Gore, Choat) won a ARC LIEF grant (7a). 5 ACRC projects were awarded internal funding (see 7b).

(b) ACRC members, in particular Nobbs, secured commitments from external donors to help support a postdoctoral fellowship in Early Christian Studies.

6. Marketing of MQACRC Activities and Public Impact

(a) The ACRC maintained its public profile and outreach activities during 2010; as an example, Dzinov’s work was featured in the *Oslobodenje* daily newspapers (Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina) on 10.9.2010.

(b) The website for the centre (www.acrc.mq.edu.au) was maintained and updated.

(c) ACRC members contributed regularly to the Ancient History Seminar Series.

7. Management Effectiveness

(a) The Advisory board met on August 5 2010. The Executive met 3 times during the year.

(b) A written guide for ECRs was developed and will be put online in 2011

(c) Six new members, three of them ECRs, were inducted into the centre (see at 5).

(d) Synergy between the ACRC, Faculty Research Plan, and MQ strategic goals was maintained.
3. Proposed Activities for the Coming 12 Months, and Related KPIs

Research, Publication, and Peer Recognition (KPI 1–2, 4)

During 2011, the ACRC will continue to advance the projects within its collaborative research programs (www.acrc.mq.edu.au/Research.html). These will be augmented by the new projects for which funding was won during 2010 (see below, 7). Eight archaeological missions are planned during late 2010 and 2011 in Egypt and Italy. This will include continued participation by the ACRC in the excavations at Helwan, for which $30000 has been provided from Macquarie University via the support of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Arts (and ex-officio member of the ACRC advisory board) Professor John Simons.

Centre members will continue to publish the results of these projects and thus maintain research active status. The Centre will also have a strong presence at peak international events such as the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Congress (San Francisco, USA) (KPIs 2 b-c; 4c).

Education, Training, and Career articulation (KPI 3)

The ACRC aims to maintain its roster of HDR students (see below, 8), attract at least 5 new HDR students, and have at least 2 completions. Based on preliminary recruiting and checking of progress of current HDR students, both seem entirely achievable. Centre members will devote considerable energy to maintaining the current external sponsorships for short-term postdoctoral fellowships and doctoral grants in aid.

International and National Collaboration (KPI 4)

A number of international research colleagues have already been invited to Macquarie for 2011. These include:

- The Society for the Study of Early Christianity Fellow 2010, John Fitzgerald (Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity at Miami University and Yale Divinity School).
- Professor Claudia Rapp (Department of History, UCLA).
- Dr Michel Amandry (Curator, Cabinet des Médailles in the Bibliothèque nationale de France).
- Dr Timothy Luckritz (Moravian University)
- Dr Laurie Brink (Catholic Union Chicago)
- Dr David Wheeler-Reed (University of Ohio, Dayton / University of Toronto)
- Dr Thomas Blanton III (Luther College)
- The Gale Fellows in Egyptology, Professors Tamas Bacs from Budapest and Karol Mysliwiec from Warsaw.

Further visitors, including an expert in ancient Judaism invited as the Sir Asher Joel Fellow 2011, will be announced early in 2011, along with visits by collaborators on ARC funded projects. A number of ACRC members will also travel to present at international meetings and work with overseas colleagues, such as Hillard, who will present a paper in Athens in 2011 as the Annual Visiting Fellow at the Australian Archaeological Institute in Athens.

As many as fourteen ARC DP applications in 2011 are planned by the following teams (KPI 5):

Choat, H. Behlmer (Göttingen), plus further international collaborators, ‘The Bilingual Scribe in Late Antique Egypt’.
Dzino, ‘Negotiating Local and Global: Religion in ancient and early medieval Dalmatia’.


Lieu, McKechnie, and J. Lieu (Cambridge), ‘After Marcion – Religious diversity and the transformation of Judaico-Christianity 2nd-3rd C CE.’

Ockinga and S. Binder, ‘The Tomb as Sacred Space: Its Use, Reuse and Abuse as illustrated by the New Kingdom Tombs of Thebes (Egypt)’.

If unsuccessful in the 2010 round, the five applications listed below at 6 will also be resubmitted. Three ARC APD applications sponsored by Centre members will also be made.

The following colloquia and conferences will be held under the auspices of the ACRC (KPI 6):

Macquarie University excavations in Egypt
Australian Centre for Egyptology (ACRC) Mini Conference, Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club, April 2011.

This event will report on the excavations undertaken in 2010-2011 by members of the ACRC.

Corinth: Paul, People, and Politics
Society for the Study of Early Christianity Annual Conference, Macquarie University, 14 May 2011.

John Fitzgerald, Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity at Miami University and Yale Divinity School, will be the invited keynote speaker at this event. An evening event on the same day will feature presentations by Professor Claudia Rapp (Department of History, UCLA) and Dr Michel Amandry (Curator, Cabinet des Médailles in the Bibliothèque nationale de France).

Australian Centre for Egyptology (ACRC) Annual Conference
Macquarie University, August 2011.

The topic for next year’s conference is not yet determined. The invited speakers will be Professors Tamas Bacs from Budapest and Karol Mysliwiec from Warsaw.

Ptolomy I and the Transformation of Egypt
Macquarie University, September 2011.

The third installment of this series of international congresses on Ptolemaic Egypt will be organised by McKechnie

By way of fulfilling KPI 7c, in 2011 the Centre will continue to seek new researchers who meet the entry criteria for research activity and research potential identified by the Centre Executive. Potential candidates to be assessed include the two new research fellows who began work in the Department of Ancient History in 2010, and several other research active staff members in the Department of Ancient History.
4. Finance and Budget

(a) Financial summary 2010

Operating Income: $30000 (MQRC funding)

This funding was allocated and spent as follows:

$2000: Contribution to the costs of holding the ACRC Symposium ‘Epistolary Conversations: Opening the Letter of Classical and Late Antiquity’
$1200: Travel and accommodation costs for Chairman of the Advisory board to attend Advisory Board meeting.
$26,800: Administrative Assistance, breaking down as follows:  
  $14800: Anna Mourad-Latifia, Centre Administrative Assistant and assistant to the Director.
  $6000: Rachel Yuen-Collingridge, Desktop Publication.
  $6000: Jon Dalrymple: Centre Administrative Assistant.

Research Income
External: $ 365,115
Internal: $ 99,356

This funding was expended on project costs during 2010 according to the budgets of the individual projects.

(b) Projected cash flow and budget 2011

Operating Income: $30000 (MQRC funding)

The projected budget for this funding is:

$2000: Maintenance of Centre Website (assistant to be appointed).
$5000: Desktop Publication (Rachel Yuen-Collingridge).
$5000: Centre Grant writing assistance (Dr Linda Evans).
$18,000: Administrative Assistance for Centre and Centre Director (Anna Mourad-Latifia and others as appointed)

Research Income (secured; to be supplemented by any further grant success in late 2010)
External: $123,750
Internal: $111,312

This funding will be expended on project costs during 2011 according to the budgets of the individual projects.
5. CENTRE MEMBERSHIP, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AND ADVISORY BOARD

Membership
Dr Shirley Chan (Lecturer, Dept. of International Studies)
Dr Malcolm Choat (Lecturer, CORE in Ancient Cultures)
Dr Danjel Dzino (ARC APD, Dept. of Ancient History)
Dr Trevor Evans (Lecturer, CORE in Ancient Cultures)
Dr Linda Evans (MQRF, Dept. of Ancient History)
Dr Victor Ghica (Associate Lecturer, Department of Ancient History)
Dr Andrew Gillett (Senior Lecturer, Dept. of Ancient History)
Assoc. Prof. Damian Gore (Dept. of Environment and Geography)
Professor Naguib Kanawati (Dept. of Ancient History)
Professor Sam Lieu (Dept. of Ancient History)
Assoc. Prof. Paul McKechnie (CORE in Ancient Cultures)
Dr Gunner Mikkelsen (Lecturer, CORE in Ancient Cultures)
Professor Alanna Nobbs (Dept. of Ancient History)
Assoc. Prof. Boyo Ockinga, (Dept. of Ancient History)
Dr Ken Parry (Senior Lecturer, CORE in Ancient Cultures)
Dr Ken Sheedy (Senior Lecturer, Dept. of Ancient History; Director, Australian Centre for Ancient Numismatic Studies)
Dr Arianna Traviglia (MQRF, Dept. of Ancient History)
Dr Yann Tristant (Lecturer, Department of Ancient History).
Professor Laurence Welborn (CORE in Ancient Cultures)
Dr Alexandra Woods (Lecturer, CORE in Ancient Cultures)

In accordance with the Centre KPIs, two researchers who met the criteria for ACRC membership were invited to join the Centre: in 2010 these were Assoc. Prof. Tom Hillard and Dr Lea Beness. Centre members Drs Heike Behlmer and Christiana Köhler left Macquarie to take up positions in Europe during 2009. In their place Drs Yann Tristant and Victor Ghica (experts in the same field appointed to Macquarie in 2010) were invited to join the centre. In accordance with the Advisory Board’s decision that new Research Fellows in the field of Ancient Cultures should be automatically deemed to have met the funding and research activity criteria for admission, Arianna Traviglia and Danjel Dzino were also invited to become Centre members.

Executive
Director: Professor Naguib Kanawati (Dept. of Ancient History)
Deputy Directors: Professor Alanna Nobbs (Dept. of Ancient History),
Professor Sam Lieu (Dept. of Ancient History)
Dr Malcolm Choat (Lecturer, CORE in Ancient Cultures)
Dr Linda Evans (MQRF, Dept. of Ancient History)
Assoc. Prof. Andrew Gillett (Dept. of Ancient History)
Assoc. Prof. Boyo Ockinga (Dept. of Ancient History)
Dr Ken Sheedy (Senior Lecturer, Dept. of Ancient History; Director, Australian Centre for Ancient Numismatic Studies)

In accordance with a decision of the Advisory Board meeting in 2009, Dr Sheedy was invited to join the Executive. At its October 2010 meeting the Executive also decided to invite Dr Trevor Evans to join the Executive.
Advisory board
Chair: Robert Milns (Emeritus Professor, School of Philosophy, Religion & Classics, University of Queensland)
Deputy Chair: Emeritus Professor Max Coltheart (Macquarie Centre for Cognitive Science)
Professor Andrew Buck, Associate Dean Research, Faculty of Arts
Professor Naguib Kanawati, MQACRC Director
Professor Alanna Nobbs, MQACRC Deputy Director
Dr Linda Evans, MQACRC member
Professor Salim Ikram (American University in Cairo), External Advisor
Dr Aiden Dodson (Bristol University), External Advisor

The Advisory board met in 5th August 2010, presided over by Em. Prof. Bob Milns. During this meeting, decisions taken by the Executive over the previous 12 months were reviewed and approved. The budget for 2011 was discussed and approved; and centre research plans for 2011 were discussed and an overarching research plan for 2011 approved.
6. EXTERNAL FUNDING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED IN 2010

ARC Discovery Project Applications

McKechnie, P., Ockinga, B., Bosworth, B.; Baynham, E. (University of Newcastle), ‘The transformation of Egypt in the period from Cambyses (525 BC) to Ptolemy Soter (d. 282 BC)’.


Sheedy, K., Gore, D., ‘Funding Tyranny’.

Traviglia, A., Veal, R. (University of Sydney), Borzacconi, A. (University of Trieste), ‘Layers of Landscape: the transformation of Aquileian territory from Romanisation to ruralisation’
7. NEW INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL GRANTS SECURED, OCTOBER 2009 – SEPTEMBER 2010

(a) External


Westaway, K., Hesse, P., **Gore, D.** Fanning, P., Fryirs, K., **Choat, M.**, Goodwin, I., Goff, Skilbeck, Morwood, ‘Single-grain optically-stimulated luminescence and dosimetry instruments to service the Sydney metropolitan and greater New South Wales region’ (ARC LIEF LE100100094, 2010): $110,000.

(b) Internal


Westaway, K., Goodwin, I., Fryirs, K., Hesse, P., Geroge, S., **Choat, M.**, Fanning, P., Cohen, T., ‘Luminescence dating facility - dosimetry and detection’ (RIBG 2010): $15,000
(a) Publications by Centre Members

A1 (6)


A3 (6)


B1 (25)


White, D., Fink, D. and Gore, D. B., ‘Cosmogenic nuclide evidence for enhanced sensitivity of an East Antarctic ice stream to change during the last deglaciation’, Geology (MS G31591) (in press).


Pütz, B. and Sheedy, K., ‘Bad hair day’, *Antichthon* 44 (2010), 33–49.


C4 (3)


E1 (6)


(b) Conference Presentations (17)

International (11)


Invited papers at Overseas Institutions (7)


(d) Other Outputs (8)


(e) Conferences, Colloquia, and Outreach Events convened by ACRC Members or under the auspices of the ACRC (5)


Department of Ancient History Research Seminar Series. Convened by T. Evans.


‘Death, Tombs and Mummies’, Australian Centre for Egyptology Annual Conference, Australian Centre for Egyptology, Macquarie University, Sydney, August 7, 2010.
**HDR STUDENTS DIRECTLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACRC**

(a) Commenced in 2010 – 33 students

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APPENDIX 1: FURTHER DETAIL ON SELECTED PROJECTS AND RESEARCH TEAMS REFERRED TO IN THIS REPORT

1. Between two peaks: Tracing Egypt's cultural transition from the Old Kingdom to the Middle Kingdom at Meir.
Researchers: Kanawati, L. Evans, Woods.
Funds were awarded to clear and record the tomb of Hepi at the site of Meir, and to examine the tombs of father and son Pepyankh-henykem/Hennit-kem (A2) and the nearby Middle Kingdom tomb of Wekh-hotep (B4). Although separated by c. 200 years, these tombs show a remarkable similarity in their wall decorations, as scenes in B4 appear to have been copied directly from those in A2 (via the use of grid lines). They thus provide evidence that Middle Kingdom artists working at Meir looked to past examples for both the content of tomb scenes and the traditionally sanctioned proportions for figures, a retrospective approach that may account for the continuity of artistic traditions, not only at Meir, but also across the country.

2. Corpus Fontium Manichaeorum (CFM)
Researchers: Lieu, Mikkelsen, Parry, Greg Fox, John Sheldon.
This ongoing international research project, now in its fifteenth year saw the twelfth volume going to press. Work has started on other volumes on Greek and Latin texts but the team has suffered a massive loss in the premature death of Professor John Kevin Coyle of the University of Ottawa (Canada) with whom we have very strong contacts in Australia. Professor Sam Lieu visited him in April and gave a public lecture at the university. Lieu was appointed to the prestigious Walker Ames Visiting Professorship at University of Washington at Seattle in April and he was able to lecture also at Ottawa, Stanford, UCLA and USC at Fulleton.

Parry is in the process of completing his contribution to Series Archaeologica Vol. 2: Medieval Christian and Manichaean Remains in Quanzhou. We do not expect this to volume appear before 2012 because of the book's length and scope and complexity which necessitate a lengthy process of external assessment and checking. The project received a mark of ‘satisfaction’ at the annual assessment of the Union of International Academies.

Researchers: Lieu, Mikkelsen, Jonathan Markley (California State University Fullerton), A/Prof. Geoffrey Greatrex (Ottawa), Duncan Keenan-Jones, Gil Davis and John Sheldon.
The project had an excellent first year under its ARC DP funding. The funding has enabled Lieu to visit Ottawa for collaborative research with A/Prof. Geoffrey Greatrex and LA for collaborative research with A/Prof. Jonathan Markley. He was also able to assist John Sheldon in completing the first major publication of the project. There was a serious problem over copyright issues relating to the original French edition of the texts which formed the basis of the research but these were sorted out in due course. However the time taken by the lawyers was unnecessarily long and this may result in the book appearing in early 2011 but with a 2010 date. (See under Publication). Work on Vol. 2 Commentary on the Texts by Mr John Sheldon by now also very advanced.

A/Prof. Markley is in the process of completing a monograph related to the project for the series Silk Road Studies. This is based on his much-lauded Macquarie PhD thesis. Great progress has also been made by Lieu, Sheldon and Davis on inscriptions on trade and cultural contacts and these will be available for all scholars via the project’s website (see below).

With the very able assistance and high level technical input by Dr Duncan Keenan-Jones, the project quickly established a major website ‘SERICA’ (http://www.acrc.mq.edu.au/serica/
This has attracted a great deal of positive comments and was fundamental in helping the project to receive a mark of ‘felicitation’ (the highest) at the annual assessment of major international projects by the Union of International Academies.

4. Studia Antiqua Australiensia (SAA)  
Researchers: Lieu, John Sheldon, Greg Fox

The main focus of this publishing project is the completion by John Sheldon of Volume 4 of the series: *Texts of Greek and Latin Authors on the Far East I. Texts and Translations* (to appear early 2010). See under 11. Work has begun in late 2010 on Volume 5: *Aspects of the Roman East - Papers in Honour of Professor Sir Fergus Millar, Vol. 2*. Two-thirds of the contributions have now been received and funding of $5000 has been approved from the Centre’s 2009 Budget to appoint Ms. Rachel Yuen-Collingridge to edit this complex manuscript which requires a great deal of Greek data-processing.

5. Gallipoli before Gallipoli  
Researchers: Lieu, Greg Fox (with Harvey Broadbent, Mod. History in an advisory capacity).

This new project aims at producing a major website for research on the pre-1915 history of Gallipoli – a region which was famous in the Ancient and Byzantine periods as well as being the scene of a tragic clash between East and West in 1915. With the assistance of Dr Duncan Keenan-Jones, a preliminary website is likely to be launched by mid November, 2010. Prof. Lieu and Mr John Sheldon have also completed a major study of onomastics (esp. with names like the Dardanelles, Gallipoli, Cape Helles, Bulair etc.)

6. The Sohag Survey Project.  
Researchers: Parry, Choat

The first season of survey work on monastic settlements near the White and Red Monasteries in Upper Egypt was carried out by Parry and Choat in January 2010. The second season of survey work will be undertaken in December 2010. The project is financed by a MQRDG and will provide data for an ARC DP application in 2011.

7. Macquarie University Theban Tombs Project  
Researchers: Ockinga, Choat, Susanne Binder

From 1st December 2009 to 6th January 2010 the Macquarie University Theban Tombs Project continued its work at Dra Abu el-Naga. The team consisted of the following members: Ockinga (Director), Susanne Binder (Deputy Field Director), Judith Brophy (Senior Research Assistant), Choat (Coptic and Greek specialist), Robyn Luhrs (Conservator). The work this season was devoted to epigraphic collation and conservation in TT 147 and epigraphic recording in TT 233.

**TT 147 the Tomb of Neferrenpet**

In TT 147 the work of conservation and epigraphic recording was continued.

1. Conservation: The work of conservation concentrated on the filling of small areas of wall loss in order to prevent any further damage, as well as the consolidation of areas of loose plaster.

2. Epigraphic Recording: The epigraphic work conducted in this season concentrated on the collation of all of the drawings made of the walls in the previous seasons (Nov-Dec 2006–2008) in
both the Long Hall and the Broad Hall. In addition, working photographs were made of the walls to document the restoration and conservation work carried out.

**TT 233 the Tomb of Saroy and Amenhotep/Huy**

Work in the tomb of Saroy and Amenhotep/Huy concentrated on the study and documentation of the Coptic inscriptions on the northern half of the Broad Hall, as well as the Coptic ostraca and papyri and the Greek papyrus discovered in the courtyard of the tomb, now stored in the central Gurna Magazine.

From 11/12/09 until 17/12/09 Choat worked in the Study Magazine at the Gurna Magazine, conserving the Greek and Coptic papyri from TT 233. Further joins were made between the papyrus fragments, particularly in the better preserved Coptic letter TT 233:341 etc and the Greek letter TT233:344 etc; other joins were also made, and the entire collection of papyrus fragments was placed between glass. Several smaller fragments of Greek papyri were also identified among the collection, showing that Greek was still used, if sparingly, during the last phase of tomb’s use. During this season Choat also worked in TT 233 collating and photographing the Coptic graffiti on the North East wall of the broad hall. Of the graffiti that are still legible, nearly all were successfully deciphered.