

MEDIA RELEASE

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Find out what's going on in the IPRI labs

The talented researchers at the Intelligent Polymer Research Institute (IPRI) at the University of Wollongong's Innovation Campus, North Wollongong will open their labs to the public on Thursday 17 August 2017 to celebrate National Science Week.

You are invited to come and experience some of the many ways that UOW is leading the world in scientific research.

Meet the brilliant minds behind the soft robotic prosthetic hand, stem cell research, nerve and muscle regeneration projects, the Bionic Bra and the Biopen.

Visitors can tour the world class lab facilities and learn from friendly researchers about their cutting-edge technologies. Half hour tours will operate between 9am and 4pm.

Director of the [ARC Centre of Excellence for Electromaterials Science](#) (ACES) Professor Gordon Wallace said the IPRI Open Day was an important way for the community to learn about the ground breaking scientific research being undertaken at IPRI.

"We are all conscious as scientists that it is our community that we are working for, so it is important to open our doors to let people have a look at what is happening right on their door step," Professor Wallace said.

"We are the headquarters for a national research centre that is globally connected. There are many opportunities for established, emerging and new commercial enterprises to benefit from this, and in turn our community will benefit through the creation of the jobs of the future."

IPRI is also the lead node the ARC Centre of Excellence for Electromaterials Science (ACES) and home of the Australian National Fabrication Facility (Materials Node).

Bookings are essential and can be made at <https://iprilabtours2017.eventbrite.com.au>.

Media opportunity:

Please contact ACES Communication and Media Officer Lisa Hutton on 02 4221 3239 or lhutton@uow.edu.au for any media enquiries.

The ARC Centre of Excellence for Electromaterials Science (ACES)

Based at the University of Wollongong's Innovation Campus, ACES is a multidisciplinary research group with a focus on developing functional devices for applications including batteries, solar cells and systems that interact with living tissue.

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