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## Super Science Fellowships

### Key Points

- The Government will provide \$27.2 million over four years to run two rounds of three-year early-career fellowships, to ensure our most promising young researchers continue to have opportunities to work in areas of national significance during the global recession.
- Fellowships will be offered in three areas of existing research strength:
  1. Space science and astronomy;
  2. Marine and climate science; and
  3. Future industries research – biotechnology and nanotechnology.

### Facts and Figures

- The scheme will offer 100 fellowships in total (50 fellowships per round), each worth up to \$72,500 per annum.
- The first round of fellowships to commence funding in 2010, with applications called in the second half of 2009.

- Fellowships will be available to researchers in universities and publicly funded research agencies within the targeted science fields.

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- Super Science Fellows will be expected to participate in science engagement and education activities over the life of their Fellowship, to share their scientific achievements with the community and inspire the next generation with the wonder of scientific discovery.
- The new fellowships will be administered by the Australian Research Council under the existing Discovery Scheme of the National Competitive Grants Program.