## Media Release



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## CHC congratulates award-winning UWS researcher

The Complementary Healthcare Council of Australia (CHC) congratulates UWS researcher, Professor Alan Bensoussan, on his recent achievement in receiving the prestigious *International Award for Contribution to Chinese Medicine*.

This award is the only world-wide prize in Chinese medicine awarded by the Chinese Government. Three prizes were awarded this year and Professor Bensoussan is the only recipient based outside the People's Republic of China.

Executive director of the CHC, Dr Wendy Morrow, stated that she was very pleased to see the recognition received by Professor Bensoussan for his outstanding contribution to complementary medicine research, and specifically Traditional Chinese Medicine.

"Professor Bensoussan's achievement is further evidence of the exceptionally high standard of expertise within the Australian complementary medicine research sector", said Dr Morrow.

"The National Institute of Complementary Medicine (NICM), of which Professor Bensoussan is Director, has developed a strong reputation as a leader in the complementary medicine field and has a demonstrated ability to bring industry and researchers together to deliver great outcomes", Dr Morrow concluded.

Australia is at the forefront in complementary medicine R&D, and in the translation of evidence into clinical practice, and this international recognition of Professor Bensoussan's work highlights that Australia has the capacity to continue to make a world-class contribution.

Professor Alan Bensoussan will be presenting on: *Establishing Australia's National Agency in Complementary Medicine* at the CHC National Conference in Sydney this September. For more information on the CHC National Conference and to register visit the Conference page of the CHC website at www.chc.org.au/Conference-2013.

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