

# Media Release



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## **AusBiotech members sweep up at national biotechnology awards**

AusBiotech, the national biotechnology organisation, has applauded the efforts of its members who were successful at the National Biotechnology Awards in Sydney last night.

The awards, held as part of the Excellence in Biotechnology Investment conference, recognised the highest levels of achievement for Australia's biotechnology companies.

AusBiotech CEO, Dr Anna Lavelle, said Australia's biotechnology industry should be proud of its achievements.

"The calibre of the winners was extremely high and this is a testament to Australia's biotech scene," she said. "I congratulate the winners and their companies for all their excellent work.

"I am particularly proud that every winner has supported AusBiotech by being an active member of the industry association. I am sure they will continue to play a leading and influential role in the sector," Dr Lavelle said.

The five category winners were:

- Broker deal of the Year (2007) – Wilson HTM Investment Group
- CEO of the Year (2007) – Dr Alan Robertson, Pharmaxis
- Transaction of the Year (2007) – Arana Therapeutics (EvoGenix / Peptech), Dr John Chiplin and Marilyn Sleigh
- Biotech debut of the Year (2007) – Advanced Surgical Design & Manufacture, Dr Greg Roger (CEO and AusBiotech Director)
- Legends Award (2007) – Dr Brian McNamee, CSL