

## **Policy on intellectual property and benefit sharing where research is undertaken on Indigenous native plant materials**

*ARC Industrial Transformation Training Centre for Uniquely Australian Foods*

When undertaking research on genetic resources (ie native foods or plant materials) collected from, or by, Indigenous partners and communities, the ARC Industrial Transformation Training Centre for Uniquely Australian Foods will be guided by the following principles.

### **Intellectual Property**

Intellectual property that arises from Training Centre projects using native plant materials collected from Indigenous communities will be owned by the Indigenous communities or jointly owned by the Indigenous communities and the industry partners based on their prior agreement. This will not apply to theses, reports and publications relating to the native plant materials, where the copyright will remain with the authors.

The owners of any intellectual property that arises from Training Centre projects will allow the University of Queensland to use the intellectual property protected material for teaching and research.

In the event that project research results are commercialised, a proportion of the profits will be dedicated to support research on a topic to be determined jointly by the University of Queensland, participating Indigenous communities, and other project partners.

### **Benefit Sharing**

Although the specific benefits provided by the University of Queensland to Indigenous communities that provide genetic resources will be decided on a case-by-case basis, at *minimum* the University of Queensland will:

- share research results with Indigenous partners and communities,
- acknowledge the role played by Indigenous partners and communities in all related publications and research outputs,
- provide relevant Indigenous partners and communities with the opportunity to be named as co-authors of project publications and research outputs,
- undertake capacity building programs for Indigenous partners and communities, and
- provide education and training for Indigenous partners and communities.