Our first CSU Research Symposium “HEALTH AND BIOMEDICINE 2016” was held on 29th November, 2016 at the Wagga Wagga Convention Centre. The Symposium brought together researchers and educators from CSU, leaders of Murrumbidgee Local Health District, Health Professionals and executives and administrators across health organisations in regional New South Wales.

The program included a panel discussion on “Perspectives on Research Priorities for Health and Biomedicine for Regional New South Wales”. The discussion resulted in collaborative linkage between organisations. Follow up will include webinar discussions in the middle of 2017 and a Research Symposium in the Spring of 2017.

The Symposium showcased three exciting plenary speakers:

- **Ewa Goldys** – A EUREKA MOMENT FOR CELL COLOUR TECHNOLOGY
- **Julien Freitag** – REGENERATIVE MEDICINE AND OSTEOARTHRITIS: PRELIMINARY RESULTS MESENCHYMAL CELL THERAPY
- **Lexin Wang** – BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH COLLABORATION BEYOND THE BORDERS: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Mr Jamie Newman – MLHD - Panel Discussion on Perspectives on Research Priorities for Health and Biomedicine for regional New South Wales

The day also included Concurrent Symposia where 24 of the 70 Posters that were submitted were orally presented to the audience.

The day concluded with a lively closing discussion reflecting on the day with canapes and refreshments.