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### **ANA's Vice President appointed Head of Science, Australian Synchrotron**

The Australian Nanotechnology Alliance welcomes the announcement of Professor Ian Gentle's appointment of Head of Science at the Australian Synchrotron.

ANA President, Mr Steve Healy said "Ian Gentle is not only an internationally acclaimed scientist in the area of fabrication and characterisation of thin films, he is also recognised as an advocate of encouraging industry/research collaborations.

"Ian has worked with myself and the ANA board since its formation in 2005, and has been my vice-president for the last 12 months.

"For many in the Queensland business community, Ian is a recognisable face that leads many industry based workshops given his ability to communicate complex scientific theories and his understanding that research and industry need to work hand in hand to achieve better products for all," Mr Healy said

The Australian Synchrotron, which opened in 2007, provides some of the best synchrotron based research opportunities worldwide. Through the use of the bright synchrotron light, advances in research and development in diverse fields from mineral and agricultural research through to bioscience and medical research is being undertaken.

The ANA congratulates Ian on his appointment and looks forward to continuing our strong relationship with him, as he takes up this position in Melbourne.

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