

## About us

Formed in 2012, the primary role of Field Applied Research (FAR) Australia is to apply science innovations to profitable outcomes for Australian grain growers.



Located across three hubs nationally, FAR Australia staff have the skills and expertise to provide 'concept to delivery' applied science innovations through excellence in applied field research, and interpretation of this research for adoption on farm. They execute a wide range of field research projects partnering and collaborating with a number of higher science bodies including universities, state departments and CSIRO. The organisation is also integrally involved in extension and training of growers and advisors working with regional farming groups and the cropping levy body GRDC to provide cutting edge, field proven research outcomes for adoption by growers on farm.

## Goal

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## Purpose

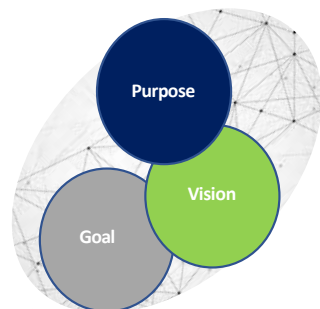
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## Vision

To build capacity and capability in agricultural Research, Development and Extension by exceeding the demands of stakeholders through quality and innovation.

## Values

- Excellence
- Independence
- Responsiveness
- Integrity
- Endeavour



## Building capacity in R, D and E

The not-for-profit status of FAR Australia allows for the re-investment of surplus funds into increased capacity and capability.



## National research programmes

Field Applied Research (FAR) Australia both leads, and collaborates in, a number of research projects across Australia that involve working with many industry partners. Research funding comes from the wider Australian grains industry, the Grains Research & Development Corporation (GRDC), state governments and the federal government. These projects have resulted in FAR Australia having an extensive network of research, industry and farming group contacts across the country.

*FAR Australia's national and regional research programmes, extensive international collaborating linkages, and field research centres combined, provide the ideal platform to independently showcase the best innovations in the Australian cropping industries.*

FAR Australia has a proven impact through pioneering the multi million-dollar Hyper Yielding Crops (HYC) project which is funded by Australian grain growers through the levy body GRDC. HYC aims to push the economically attainable boundaries of wheat, barley and canola. The project derives from the FAR Australia led Hyper Yielding Cereals project in Tasmania, which over four years demonstrated that it is possible to more than double yields in some situations through sowing the right cultivars and effective implementation of appropriately tailored management strategies.

## International linkages

Our international linkages with researchers in Europe, North America and New Zealand create excellent opportunities to fast-track new advances in field science, agronomy and husbandry being adopted elsewhere in the world.



These linkages have led to new germplasm advances in Australia as well as collaborative research programmes which create tangible benefits for Australian grain growers.

## Training

FAR Australia develops and delivers tailored training packages to suit the needs of its clients. Our diverse range of fields includes plant nutrition and fertiliser management, crop agronomy, plant physiology, farming systems and rotations and disease management.



## Crop technology centres

With Crop Technology Centres (CTCs) operating nationally across the more productive southern growing regions, FAR Australia has the perfect platform to deliver independent field applied research, offer bespoke training and to showcase innovative developments which aim to maintain a sustainable and more productive future for the Australian grains industry.

*Sustainability, productivity and profitability must go hand in hand. Field Applied Research (FAR) Australia is helping to make this happen by conducting research, development and extension to support beneficial changes in Australian agriculture*





# Industry Innovations 2025

**FAR Australia has joined forces with industry to provide innovative research solutions and industry training which aims to create a more productive and sustainable future for the Australian grains industry.**

## Conduct independent research:

- To draw together key research advances and crop solutions that will enable us to grow more productive crops tomorrow.
- To bring industry together to showcase research advances across CTCs located nationally.
- To deliver key field days specifically for I12025 partners at the Crop Technology Centres (CTCs).
- Research advances based on germplasm, nutrition, agrichemicals, soil amelioration or enabling technologies that will allow more profitable use of these key agronomic inputs.
- Enable I12025 partners to brief clients through utilising the CTC research platforms.
- Confidentiality and sensitivity will be placed around non-commercial products as per industry partner requirements.



## Conduct industry training:

- The CTCs not only offer recognised independent platforms to test new advances, they also provide a framework for training advisers, industry representatives and growers themselves.
- Training packages for larger organisations offering access to the CTCs for graduate staff in order to fast track their knowledge by utilising side by side research comparisons and/or training for more specialist staff who require more tailored or general agronomy coaching.
- Innovative group learning to enable advisers and their clients to utilise the CTCs to discuss the different approaches they use on farm, with follow up site visits to see new concepts through to harvest.
- Access to key industry expertise using the CTCs as a focal point and technical backdrop for side-by-side comparisons.

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