

Rhadegund Life Sciences

Rhadegund Life Sciences (RLS, www.rls.co.nz) has just joined Natural Products NZ. The company was established in 2011 by George Slim to apply his more than 25 years experience in the science system to building New Zealand's innovative industries.

George has worked in academia, the CRI sector and government. After getting his PhD from Otago he spent a number of years the UK before returning to New Zealand as a researcher at the CRI Industrial Research Ltd (IRL). At IRL he led a large group working in bioactive natural products. The group principally worked on identifying and proving the biological activity of New Zealand natural products and developing novel, commercially applicable processes that preserve activity in the final product. After leaving IRL he worked for New Zealand Trade and Enterprise (NZTE) as IP Commercialisation Specialist. Immediately before starting RLS he worked for the Ministry of Research Science and Technology (MoRST).

George has broad experience at the interface of business, research and government. He has particular expertise in managing collaborative research to deliver commercial results as well as in strategy setting, relationship management and policy understanding.

Rhadegund life Sciences offer:

- Location and project management of science resources in New Zealand and internationally
- Business planning for science and innovation based organisations
- Consultation and management of projects involving businesses, research organizations and government agencies
- Management of collaborative technical projects
- Development of integrated research/funding/ intellectual property strategies and management plans
- Grant review and writing for funding bodies in New Zealand and internationally
- Access to networks of scientists, public agencies and businesses in the life sciences, health research and high technology sectors
- Workshop presentation and facilitation
- Stakeholder engagement on technical issues

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