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Leading Research Company builds Residue Study capacity

GLOBAL optimism is driving demand in the agricultural research sector compared to 18 months ago.

As a result, Peracto Pty Ltd, one of Australia's fastest growing agricultural research companies, has added another Study Director to its team.

Peracto Managing Director, Ian Macleod, said the addition of Pat Farrell now compliments a team that is already highly regarded for its expertise in the management of chemical residue trials.

"Our expanding workload in both Australia and New Zealand has dictated the need for another expert to assist our already first-rate residue team," Mr Macleod said.

Mr Macleod said that, in 2003, it became mandatory that all data from residue studies submitted to the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA), for the purposes of supporting product registrations, be compliant with the OECD's Principles of Good Laboratory Practice. This ensures the quality and validity of test data for determining its safety.

He added that in Australia, GLP compliance was overseen by the Federal Government-endorsed compliance monitoring authority for the OECD – NATA (National Association of Testing Authorities).

For the past 15 years, Pat Farrell has worked extensively across the globe managing GLP compliant projects.

In coming to Peracto, Mr Farrell said he envisaged Peracto's work expanding to include Northern Hemisphere companies "...eager to shorten the time lag taken to complete residue studies and therefore needing a southern hemisphere partner to assist".

"A lot of my recent work has been with European companies wanting to complete a two-year study in one – this is possible given Australia's vast agricultural conditions," he said.

"And Peracto has the test sites across the country, as well as excellent Study Directors that offer both local and international clients a 'one-stop-shop' for good management of residue studies."

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