

Regional News – March, 2011.

Annual Scientific Meeting News



Registration

Registration details can be found at <http://www.anzsrs.org.au/asm2011regbrochure.pdf>

Accommodation

Accommodation can be booked at the [OzAccom website](#).

Programme

Four weeks to go! The culmination of two years planning is nearly here and there is growing excitement within the LOC about welcoming our extensive list of international and national speakers to Perth including: Professor John Moxham, Professor Harm Tiddens, Professor Fiona Lake, A/Prof Phillipa Lamont, A/Prof Phil Bardin, Dr David Parsons, Dr Leanne Rodwell, Dr Jeff Pretto, A/Prof Gregory King, Professor David Hillman, Professor Christine Jenkins, A/Prof Scott Bell, A/Prof Graham Hall, Dr Bhajan Singh, Mr William Noffsinger, Ms Pam Liakakos, A/Prof Scott Bell, Mr David Robiony-Rogers, Mr Paul Guy, Mr David Schembri and Dr Peter Franklin.

This impressive list of talent will explore the **Living, Breathing and Science** that makes up part of our everyday work. The spotlight will be on breathlessness, cystic fibrosis, interpretation of pulmonary function tests, respiratory muscles weakness and its effect on lung function, CT vs physiological testing, lung mechanics and laboratory management.

As always members of the Society have put their hard work into action by submitting many excellent abstracts. We know that everyone will be impressed with the quality and breadth of topics that will be presented as orals and posters this year. Good luck to everyone as they not only enlighten us with where respiratory science is going, but vie for some excellent awards.

A first for the ANZSRS ASM will be the inclusion of a satellite symposium and training workshop on Aridol® sponsored by Pharmaxis. Information & Training will be provided on Asthma Challenge Testing and Best Practice. It includes a workshop on the Aridol Challenge Test, and how this differs from the Bronchitol Initiation Dose

Social Programme

We will begin by greeting and meeting old ('old' as in previous) and new friends at the Welcome Drinks at Bells Function Centre on the Swan River, located a short walk from the Convention Centre. The chance to network will continue on the Saturday night in Kings Park at Frasers Restaurant. The theme this year is '**A Night in the Park – Black and White**', so dress for this evening of contrasts and come along with a view to enjoy yourself, but don't think you will sit down all night, as songs from the band 'Usual Suspects' will definitely have you on your feet. We finish with a Sundowner on Sunday afternoon following the official close of the meeting. Take this chance to wind down with colleagues and members of the Trade after a weekend of thought provoking science.



Workshops

The Management and Mechanics of Breathing workshops are filling fast, so book soon to ensure you get a seat.

Breakfast Sessions

The TSANZ are holding three different breakfast sessions on the Sunday morning titled: 'Respiratory assessment of scoliosis; 'Who should we immunise' and 'Interventional pulmonology for the non-interventionist'. Contact Festival City Conventions to register if you are interested in attending these.

Sponsors

Our thanks go to the following sponsors for their generous support:-

- Platinum sponsors – Pharmaxis; Bird Healthcare (supporting the Welcome Drinks and Young Investigator Award)
- Gold sponsors - Care Fusion; Niche Medical (also sponsoring the Best Oral Award);
- Ascencia - Conference Dinner and Scholarship Award
- Abbott and Phebra - Cystic Fibrosis Symposium
- Mortara – USB's
- Compumedics – Best Poster Award



Can I just say (because it seems compulsory to add that to the beginning of each sentence these days), the LOC can't wait to welcome everyone to Perth. We are a very approachable bunch so please come up and say hello. And don't forget to introduce yourself to Barbara Dixon (NSW) as she is the one to talk to about next year's meeting in Canberra!



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Our thoughts are with all those in Christchurch, as the search continues for survivors. Thankfully our colleagues in the Christchurch Respiratory Lab are traumatised but all accounted for. The laboratory is in action but no inpatients or wheelchair cases are allowed on their floor and Spirometry has to be done in temporary quarters off the floor. Some of the staff are still without water and phone at home.

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QUEENSLAND

The Queensland Branch would like to pass on our thoughts, condolences and best wishes for those affected by the Christchurch earthquake. Obviously you are going through a very tough time. Your respiratory mates across the ditch are thinking of you all.

2011 Meetings

Meetings for 2011 have been booked for the year. Same place, same time, same great entertainment, slightly different dates.....**AGAIN!**

Venue –

Brisbane Private Hospital
Level 8
Arnold Jansen Centre
Trout Conference Room
Wickham Terrace
Brisbane

Meeting Time –

5:15pm for a 5:30pm to 5:45pm start

Entertainment –

Local and National scientific talent!

Meeting Dates –

- 1. Wednesday 9th March 2011 -> NOTE CHANGE OF DATE!**
2. Wednesday 4th May 2011
3. Wednesday 22nd June 2011

4. Wednesday 24th August 2011
5. Wednesday 19th October 2011

CRFS Exam

CRFS applications close 25th March with the exam scheduled for 29th April. Happy studying for those attempting it this year!

Case of the Month

Kevin Gain has kindly kept us informed of when our Case of the Month duties are.

REGION	ITEM	COPY DUE BY	MONTH OF PUBLICATION
Queensland	Case	27 th June, 2011	July 2011
Queensland	Discussion	25 th July, 2011	August 2011

I suggest everyone keeps an eye out for an interesting case. You never know who will get the honour of submitting for Queensland. I will let you pick the lab responsible for the case at our May branch meeting.

With no meetings being held as yet, the Queensland branch is fairly quiet this month. We are all, however, looking forward to the ASM in Perth. For those Queenslanders presenting, good luck. You'll be great! Looking at the weather report it appears we will be going from hot (QLD) to very hot (WA). Shirts off!

Until next month! And to all the scientists out there, don't forget March 14thit's Albert Einstein's birthday, who said,

"Any man who can drive safely while kissing a pretty girl is simply not giving the kiss the attention it deserves".

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Hello again,
just a short update this month.

Dates for your diary

Our clinical meetings for this year are scheduled for the following dates:

- Thursday 23rd March (Princess Margaret Hospital - CCRF)
- Thursday 16th June
- Wednesday 17th August
- Wednesday 23rd November

And in addition to this, the WA combined ANZSRS/TSANZ ASM will be held in Mandurah on:

- Saturday & Sunday 22nd-23rd October

With the Respiratory Symposium to be held at the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research on the:

- Monday 24th October

Other News

For our WA members we are looking forward to this week's excursion to see a mouse perform plethysmography at the Telethon Institute of Child Health and Research centre. Speaking of mice, a big thankyou to Kevin for again being our QA subject, visiting labs around Perth this week. *Don't forget* please get your RSVP in for the upcoming branch meeting in March.

The big meeting in Perth is only 1 month away, so we are sure Sharon and her LOC'ers are very busy with last minute preparations- we hope it all goes smoothly for them.

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ANZSRS important dates 2011

February	14	Early Bird Rego for Perth 2011 due
	24	ERS abstracts due
March	2	NSW/ACT branch meeting - Concord Hospital
	9	QLD branch meeting - Brisbane Private Hospital NOTE CHANGE OF DATE!
	23	WA branch meeting - Princess Margaret Hospital
	25	Application due for CRFS Exam
April	1 - 4	ANZSRS National ASM
	2 - 6	TSANZ National ASM
	29	CFRS Exam
May	4	QLD branch meeting
June	9	NSW/ACT branch meeting - Westmead Children's Hospital
	16	WA Branch Meeting
	22	QLD branch meeting
	30	Deadline for membership fee payments

July	31	APSR abstracts due
August	17	WA branch meeting
	23	NSW/ACT branch meeting - St George Hospital
	24	QLD branch meeting
September		
October	19	QLD branch meeting
	20	NSW/ACT branch meeting - Royal Prince Alfred Hospital
	22 - 23	WA joint TSANZ/ANZSRS meeting - Mandurah
	24	WA Respiratory Symposium
	28	Application due for CRFS Exam
November	23	WA branch meeting
	25	CRFS Exam
December	9	NSW/ACT - Christmas Dinner

Register for the
Perth 2011 ANZSRS ASM now at
[http://www.anzsrs.org.au/asm2011
registration.html](http://www.anzsrs.org.au/asm2011registration.html)
Early Bird Rego due 14th Feb 2011

International Meetings in 2011

ATS: Denver: May 13-18
ERS: Amsterdam: Sept 24-28
ASTA: Sydney: Oct 27 -29
APSR: Shanghai: Nov 3-6
AARC: Tampa: Nov 5-8