



ANZACA
AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND
ASSOCIATION OF CLINICAL ANATOMISTS

September 20,

Newsletter



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**ANZACA
CONFERENCE
4-6 DEC 2019
PERTH**

Hi to our membership.

A lot has happened in the ANZACA world since our last newsletter and we are now gearing up again for our next conference being organized by Amanda Meyer and her team over in sunny Perth! More information elsewhere in this newsletter.

You will recall that there was a lot of discussion at our last conference, and after the conference, about bidding to host the 2024 IFAA (International Federation of Associations of Anatomists) congress. With strong support from both Victorian and NSW state governments you will remember that we voted to support a bid for Melbourne and an enormous amount of work went into the development of the bid documentation. This was led by Quentin Fogg (our ANZACA Vice-President), ably assisted by a number of other members both on and outside of Council. We went agonizingly close to winning the bid but unfortunately just missed out. Thanks to Quentin and many others, including the team from Melbourne Conference Bureau and all of those in bright yellow t-shirts handing out koalas to IFAA delegates in London!

Having said that, ANZACA was a very strong participant at the IFAA congress with two symposia sponsored by ANZACA and many individual presentations by ANZACA members as well. Personally, it was great to be involved in such a large conference, but it made the choice of sessions to attend very difficult with up to 6 parallel venues running much of the time. It was also nice to see some of the sights of London and Jane and I also enjoyed a few nights down on the wild coasts of Cornwall which was a complete contrast with the hustle and bustle of London.

Great to see that our website has facilitated a relatively easy transition to the the renewal of memberships and also for the set-up of the 2019 conference. This functionality has certainly reduced the administrative load for the council executive and the conference organizers in terms of running the day-to-day business of the association.

Conference time also of course coincides with our Annual General Meeting, Council elections and [scholarship and travel fellowship applications](#). As you will see in this edition of the newsletter, a number of members successfully applied for travel fellowship funding to attend the IFAA congress and I would like to encourage members to apply for these types of funding. I would also like to encourage members to apply for a position on council (as outlined in the [constitution](#)) as these applications are due on 5th November (1 month prior to AGM)

I look forward to seeing you all in Perth in December

Happy reading!

Cheers

Rod



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16TH ANNUAL MEETING

https://anzaca.org/conference_2019/

**"THE MODERN ANATOMIST: WHERE ARE WE
NOW AND WHERE ARE WE HEADED?"**

ABSTRACTS DUE: 27 SEPTEMBER, 2019

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



DR LISA M.J. LEE
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
CELL AND DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO, USA



DR CLAIRE F. SMITH
HEAD OF ANATOMY
BRIGHTON SUSSEX MEDICAL SCHOOL,
UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX, UK

**WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER -
FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER, 2019**

**TATTERSALL
LECTURE THEATRE**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA**



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ANZACA MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Events at the ANZACA 2019 Conference include:

ANZACA Mentorship Program HOW2:
Educational Research workshop

Wednesday 4th December 3.30-5.30pm

Tattersall Lecture Theatre, UWA

Facilitators: A/Prof Michelle Lazarus, A/Prof Alexandra Webb

ANZACA Mentorship Breakfast

Thursday 5th December 7.30-8.30am

At the Bayside Kitchen, Crawley

IMPORTANT DATES

- **5th November 2019: Nominations for ANZACA Council**

Nomination forms and instructions will be distributed by email in October. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of positions, then an online vote will be conducted and the results announced at the AGM.

- **5th November 2019: ANZACA AGM agenda items and constitutional amendments**

Please email to secretary@anzaca.org

- **5th December 2019 5.30-6.30pm, Tattersall Lecture Theatre, UWA: ANZACA Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

ANZACA CONFERENCE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

In 2017 the ANZACA Council initiated the ANZACA Conference Student Scholarship to enable students undertaking anatomical research, in an Australian or New Zealand university/institute, to attend an ANZACA conference to present their work. The scholarship is intended to provide financial support, to the value of \$1500, for the expenses associated with conference registration and return economy airfare to the host city.

Who is eligible? current ANZACA student members

How do I apply? [ANZACA website](#)

What is the deadline? 27 September 2019

TRAVEL FELLOWSHIPS

The ANZACA Travel Fellowship was established by the ANZACA in 2008 to enable or assist ANZACA members to attend an international conference (excluding ANZACA) to present their work and/or travel to an overseas institution to further their knowledge and education in the anatomical sciences or in educational issues relevant for anatomists.

Who is eligible? current ANZACA full members and HDR student members

How do I apply? [ANZACA website](#)

What is the deadline? 30 September 2019

ANZACA TRAVEL FELLOWSHIP

Four fellowships were awarded to members to attend the 19th Congress of the International Federation of Associations of Anatomists (IFAA) in London, UK, 9-11 August 2019 and deliver presentations.

- **Manisha Dayal**, University of Western Sydney
- **Krisztina Valter**, Australian National University
- **Nicolette Birbara**, University of NSW (HDR Student)
- **Ian Johnson**, Macquarie University

Extracts and photos from their reports are presented here.

"Every session on each of the three days included presentations that were highly relevant to me which made this conference particularly valuable and all of the plenary talks were also very interesting."

"One of the most interesting and welcome features was the increasing number of presentations relating to humanities in anatomy. I had great opportunities to hear about the many ways arts and humanities are used in teaching and research, and was able to make connections with fellow academics from around the world."



"attending the conference has taught me to gain confidence in my research ideas, presentation skills and communication skills including social media."

"This congress allowed me to gauge the quality and novelty of my work in relation to that occurring internationally."

"This was an extremely overwhelming experience as there were more than 900 attendeesI learnt so much about anatomical research and current trends."

"The conference also allowed me to demonstrate to my overseas peers that I am still active in teaching and research, and that Australia is not quite as isolated as they may have thought."



UPDATES FROM MEMBERS

Jon Cornwall: A Special Issue on 'Ethics in Anatomy Education' has recently been published in Anatomical Sciences Education, co-edited by Sabine Hildebrandt and myself. This Special Issue may be of interest to ANZACA members. There are several pieces from Australasian contributors contained in the issue:

- Georgina Stephens and Michelle Lazarus: 'How does Donor Dissection Influence Medical Students' Perceptions of Ethics? A Cross-Sectional and Longitudinal Qualitative Study'
- Jon Cornwall: 'Body Donation after Medically Assisted Death: An Emerging Consideration for Donor Programs'
- Gareth Jones: 'Three-dimensional Printing in Anatomy Education: Assessing Potential Ethical Dimensions'
- Gareth Jones and Jing-Bao Nie: 'Confucian Ethics on the Commercial Use of Human Bodies and Body Parts: Yi (Righteousness) or/and Li (Profit)?'

The link to the Special Issue is: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/19359780/2019/12/4>

Vaughan Kippers: ANZACA members may be interested in this private enterprise in a small Queensland country town - <http://www.gympiebonemuseum.org.au/> - interesting!

ANZACA Life Members

At the ANZACA 2018 Annual General Meeting, two new life members of the association were announced: Professor Helen Nicholson and Associate Professor Christopher Briggs. Congratulations to both Helen and Chris on this well-deserved recognition. They join Life Members Professor Stephen Carmichael and Professor Colin Wendell-Smith (dec). All Life Member profiles will be available from the ANZACA website. *Life membership is bestowed upon those that have made a significant contribution to ANZACA or the objectives of the Association.*

Professor Helen Nicholson BSc Hons, MB ChB, MD (Bristol)

Professor Helen Nicholson is the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (External Engagement) and Professor of Anatomy at the University of Otago. Prior to taking up the role of DVC she was the Dean of the Otago School of Medical Sciences. Helen graduated with an MBChB and BSc Hons from the University of Bristol and practiced medicine for several years before returning to undertake doctoral studies and pursuing an academic career in the Department of Anatomy at Bristol.

She moved to New Zealand in 2000 to take up a Chair in Anatomy. She has research interests in the areas of clinical anatomy, reproductive biology and medical education and these have led to numerous publications as well as production of the television documentaries "Donated to Science" and "Practising Medicine".

Helen was involved in the formation of ANZACA and was elected the inaugural president in October 2004. In 2009, Helen was elected to the Executive of the International Federation of Associations of Anatomists where she has held the role of Editor of Plexus.



Dr Christopher A. Briggs Dip Ed (Exeter) BSc, MS, PhD (Oregon)

On completing his PhD in 1974, Chris taught at the University of Oregon for 15 months and in 1975 was appointed to a lecturing position at the University of Melbourne, promoted to Associate Professor in 2004. He was initially a member of staff of the Department of Human Movement Studies, transferring to the Department of Anatomy in 1981, retiring from the Department of Anatomy and Neuroscience in 2017.

His major areas of research and scholarship have included musculoskeletal structure and function and in the development of Anatomedia, a modular multimedia-based project for teaching and learning anatomy. . Chris is one of four principal authors on this project. During his University career Chris supervised several PhD and MSc candidates as well as

Honours and Masters Preliminary students. From 1991 until 2015 he held a sessional appointment in forensic anthropology at the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine and was Honorary Associate Professor in the Department of Forensic Medicine at Monash University. His publications extend across multiple fields, including medical education, anatomy and forensic anthropology/pathology. Chris was involved in teaching anatomy to a broad range of undergraduate students in Science, Biomedicine, Dentistry and Physiotherapy, and also taught in the Medical program. From 2011-2017 he coordinated the Graduate Diploma in Surgical Anatomy at Melbourne.

Externally, Chris was a guest lecturer at LaTrobe University, RMIT University, the University of Otago and James Cook University as well as external examiner at several institutions both in Australia and overseas. He was Vice President of ANZACA from 2008-10 and President from 2010-12, and presented at many of the annual conferences.

Chris continues to be active in the profession, holding a number of roles including Professor of Anatomy, School of Medicine, Deakin University (part time); Honorary Fellow & Associate Professor, Department of Anatomy & Neuroscience, University of Melbourne; Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Forensic Medicine, Monash University; Visiting Associate Professor, College of Medicine & Dentistry, James Cook University



Calendar

- Australian and New Zealand Association of Clinical Anatomists (ANZACA) Conference. Perth, Australia. 4-6 December, 2019
- The American Association of Anatomists (AAA). San Diego, USA. 4-7 April, 2020
- The American Association of Clinical Anatomists (AACA). New York City, U.S. 15-19 June 2020
- The British Association of Clinical Anatomists (BACA).
 - Winter Meeting University of Newcastle. 17 December 2019
 - Summer Meeting University of Exeter. 7 July 2020
- Australian and New Zealand Association for Health Professional Educators. Melbourne, Australia. 12-15 July 2019
- 23rd Annual International Association of Medical Science Education (IAMSE) Meeting. Denver USA. 13-16 June, 2019
- Anatomical Society
 - Winter Meeting University of Lancaster. 18-20 December 2019
 - Summer Meeting University of Glasgow. 15-17 July 2020

Invitation to participate in a survey: perceptions of academic faculty regarding altmetrics

Jessica Byram, Kirsten Brown, Adam Wilson, and Michelle Lazarus are beginning a study to **assess general perceptions of medical education academic faculty regarding altmetrics**. Altmetrics or 'alternative metrics' are non-traditional metrics that cover not just citation counts, but also downloads, social media shares (e.g. Twitter, Academia.edu, Mendeley), and other measures of the impact of research outputs. These measures are gathered automatically by computer programs in order to provide a measure of one's reach in the academic and public spheres.

Our goal is to gain better understanding of what extent certain factors (e.g., primary professional role, research focus, frequency of social media use, etc.) influence how academics rate the absolute and comparative value of altmetrics.

For this purpose, please complete a short online survey by November 31st.
The survey link is: <https://bit.ly/2kAo40N>

All data collected from the survey will be anonymous. At the end of the survey you will be asked to provide your email address if you agree to participate in a follow-up interview. We will analyse the results and report the findings at future professional meetings. This survey has been examined and the study deemed exempt by the Institutional Review Board at Indiana University, study #1907014142.

NEWSLETTER EDITORS

Please email any reports, articles or photos for the next newsletter.



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