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International Partnerships

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Australians and New Zealanders have always looked beyond their borders. Even at the time CSANZ was established in 1951, it was agreed the organisation be affiliated with the International Society of Cardiology (now the World Heart Federation). Today, our international partners include the European Society of Cardiology (ESC), American College of Cardiology (ACC), American Heart Association (AHA), World Heart Federation and the Asia Pacific Society of Cardiology (APSC). The CSANZ has been a recognised International Chapter of the ACC since 2012, a forum for Australian and New Zealand Fellows of the ACC. In addition, our craft groups have recently established alliances with their international counterparts, for example, the Cardiac Imaging Council is an International Alliance partner of the American Society of Echocardiography (ASE) and an International Affiliated Society of European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging (EACVI).

These strategic partnerships provide a number of benefits to our members by facilitating opportunities for research and education collaborations, enabling members to showcase their research at major international meetings, and enhancing training and professional development. As well as adding additional richness and diversity to our own society's activities and meetings through this heightened international engagement. For example these relationships have also opened up other opportunities for various groups of our society, such as opportunities for the newly formed Women in Cardiology (WiC) group to engage with similar groups in the ACC and ESC.

In 2018, CSANZ continued to provide funding support for our young members to travel to international meetings including the ACC, ESC, AHA, EuroHeart Care and ESC Heart Failure to present accepted abstracts at these congresses. The ACC and ESC provided a number of free registrations for their congresses for our younger members.

This year, the CSANZ held joint sessions at several international meetings including the ESC, ACC, APSC and the Singapore Cardiology Society scientific meetings which enabled many of our members to present their research alongside international colleagues as well as participate in interactive panels. The CSANZ Scientific Committee has appointed an international liaison officer, currently Prof Gemma Figtree, to facilitate these joint sessions.

The recent year has seen an additional deepening of our relationship with the ESC. Members may be aware of CSANZ's relationship with the ESC and its support of our Annual Scientific Meeting by funding three ESC speakers for the past three meetings as well as the President, Prof Jeroen Bax. In August 2018, CSANZ signed an agreement with the ESC to further extend this partnership over the next two years which includes

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two joint CSANZ-ESC sessions at the CSANZ ASM, three funded ESC speakers, reciprocal promotion of our respective scientific congresses and sharing of meeting metrics. In October, Prof Prash Sanders was appointed as the CSANZ representative on the ESC Congress Program Committee for 2018-2020.

But it's not all about scientific meetings. The CSANZ has partnered with the ACC to hold their in-training formative exam for Australian and New Zealand cardiology advanced trainees over the past three years. The ACC also has a range of educational tools that trainees can also access to support their education and development as well as prepare for the exam. The purpose of the exam is to give advanced trainees an opportunity for self-assessment and to identify knowledge gaps and performance in the exam is benchmarked against international trainees in the same year of training. Our cardiology trainees sitting the exam are also enrolled as ACC Fellows-in-Training and have access to the ACC's online learning materials.

The CSANZ Board will continue to support and foster the Society's global partnerships and will work collaboratively with our partners to provide career development opportunities for all our members.



2018 RT Hall Prize Presentation

At the November meeting of the CSANZ Board, Prof Stephen Nicholls (*pictured left*) was officially presented with the RT Hall Prize by CSANZ President, Prof Leonard Kritharides.

Prof Nicholls is globally regarded as one of the leaders in the field of dyslipidemia, plaque imaging and cardiovascular clinical trials.

In accepting the 2018 RT Hall Prize, Prof Nicholls said he was humbled to receive the award and thanked the Board and CSANZ members.

Future CSANZ ASM Locations

- 2019** **Adelaide** – hosted by the Victorian Regional Committee
Stephen Duffy, Convenor, Tom Marwick, Scientific Program Chair
- 2020** **Gold Coast** – hosted by a national CSANZ Committee ***UPDATED***
- 2021** **Adelaide** – hosted by the NSW Regional Committee
- 2022** **Auckland** – hosted by the New Zealand Regional Committee ***UPDATED***
- 2023** **Adelaide** – hosted by the South Australian Regional Committee



Reunion of the Cardiac Surgery & Research Unit and Farewell to Frank Rosenfeldt

By Karen Hansen

Saturday 24th November's Victorian State election polling day was overshadowed by the *Reunion of the Cardiac Surgical Research Unit and Farewell Frank Rosenfeldt*. Never intended to be "all about Frank", the event at The Alfred Centre was a celebration of a chapter in cardiac surgical research in Australia. This historical chapter of Monash University and its associated hospital, The Alfred that began with the arrival of Frank Rosenfeldt in 1978 and closed in 2016 with his retirement.

The audience of over 50, comprised postgraduate and honours Students in Cardiac Surgical Research spanning a remarkable 38 years. Among them were no less than 23 individuals both well-established and emerging who agreed to make a presentation. The *Festschrift*, more aptly described: *Talkfest* provided a light hearted focus on achievements. Julian Smith chaired the pre-morning tea session featuring an introduction by Silvana Marasco. The *Reaching out to Fresh Fields* theme was represented by William Peters, Marc Rabinov, Juliana Van Der Merwe and Frank Miller. *Early Days* were covered by Nick Roubos and Mark Newman. Following morning tea, Silvana Marasco chaired stories of *Transplantation* retold by Gil Shardey, Bronwyn Levvey, Greg Snell, Rouchong Ou, Jono Neville and Tymon Shih. Lesley Braun and Anthony Hadj covered *Integrative Medicine*. Marina Skiba addressed *Long Papers and Projects* while Sal Pepe and Andrew Cochrane wrapped up the presentations with the then-and-now of *Heart Lung and Circulation* journal. Proposing a toast over Lunch, Brian Buxton a long-time associate of Frank recalled their joint achievements in founding the Australasian Society of Cardiac and Thoracic Surgeons, *Heart Lung and Circulation* journal and the National Cardiac Surgery Database. The fact that so many not only came to celebrate but agreed to present is testament to Frank's ability to *influence*. As presenters spoke of their most recent achievements and reminisced with stories of their days in the Cardiac Surgical Research Unit, accompanied by photos of lab action without exception the recurring adjective used to describe Frank was *persistent*. All acknowledged how valuable Frank's example of persistence had sometimes amused them but continued to serve them well in their own careers.

The photo-shopped portrayals of Frank gave a nod to his talents outside of work including a guitar-wielding rocker on the cover of Rolling Stone magazine and a racquet-wielding tennis ace.

A glossy program booklet, layout and printing of which was donated by Elsevier featured early images and stories of the devices, newspaper reports and laboratory rigs designed to preserve animal and human donor hearts.

All too soon the presentations, Frank's response, final toast, buffet lunch, hubbub of former colleagues, staff and students reconnecting were over as was the 38 year period of extraordinary progress in cardiac surgical research in Australia.

Special thanks to Prof Wendy Brown and Monash University Department of Surgery for funding the day. Dayouwell International Trading for donating the lunchtime wine. Julian Ou (Cello) and Tymon Shih (piano) for sharing their considerable musical talents.



*To all our members and their families,
the Editor and staff wish you
a safe and happy festive season
and a very happy and healthy 2019.*

CSANZ OFFICE CLOSURES

*The CSANZ Sydney and Wellington offices
will be closed from
Friday, 21 December, 2018
and will re-open on
Thursday, 3 January, 2019.*



Travelling Fellowships to the ACC.19

Applications are called for the CSANZ **Travelling Fellowships** for travel grants to enable investigators to attend the 68th **Annual Scientific Session of the American College of Cardiology** to be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, from 16-18 March, 2019. The Fellowships are intended to provide an opportunity for investigators in the early stage of their research career, to present at a major international conference.

The conditions are:

1. The Fellowships are valued at up to AU\$3,000 each.
2. **At the time of application, applicants must be current financial FCSANZ, Associate or Affiliate Members of the Cardiac Society**, with preference given to those attending their first meeting.
3. The work must have emanated from Australia or New Zealand.
4. Applicants **must** have an abstract accepted for presentation at the ACC meeting **and must be the first or senior author of the accepted abstract**. In some circumstances, consideration **may** be given to a co-first author or someone who has made a substantial contribution to the work (see item 5).
5. Applications must be accompanied by a letter from the supervisor or Director of the

laboratory or service from which the work has emanated, **clearly detailing the specific contribution made by the applicant towards the work being presented.**

6. Preference will be given to those who have not previously been awarded CSANZ travelling scholarships.
 7. Conditions apply to successful applicants **not domiciled in Australia or New Zealand.***
 8. Late applications will NOT be considered.
- Applications should be emailed to the Honorary Secretary at info@csanz.edu.au and **must** include:
- a) copy of submitted abstract(s) and ACC notification of acceptance
 - b) brief curriculum vitae (maximum 1 page)
 - c) supporting letter from the supervisor or Director

Closing Date

18 January, 2019

Please note: *if applicants have not received email confirmation of receipt of their application within one week of submission, they should contact the Secretariat at info@csanz.edu.au immediately*

New Members and Membership Changes

The following changes and new admissions to Membership occurred at the November 2018 Board meeting. The Society extends a warm welcome to all.

Affiliate Members

Miss Vanessa Baker (NZ)
Ms Brooke Bowley (QLD)
Miss Alexandra Lee Butters (NSW)
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Dr Kerryanne Johnson (NZ)
Prof Silvan Marasco (VIC)
Dr Timothy Roberts (VIC)
Dr Yong Shen Wee (QLD)
Dr Alex Willson (WA)



CSANZ 3rd Indigenous Cardiovascular Health Conference 2019

12 - 13 JUNE 2019, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL
WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND, WWW.ICH2019.COM



Key Dates

Abstract submissions

Now open

Registration opens

12 March, 2019

Abstract submission closes

11 March, 2019

Earlybird registration closes

30 May, 2019

Named Lecturers

R T Hall Lecturer

Frank Marchlinski, University of Pennsylvania, USA

Kempson Maddox Lecturer

Jonathan Kalman, Royal Melbourne Hospital, VIC

Victor Chang Memorial Lecturer

David McGiffin, The Alfred Hospital, Melbourne Vic

Gaston Bauer Lecturer

Bruce Neal, The George Institute for Global Health, NSW

Cardiovascular Nursing Lecturer

Kimberley Bardsley, St Vincent's Hospital, Sydney

Basic Science Lecturer

Bronwyn Kingwell, Baker Heart and Diabetes Institute, VIC

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ANZET19

13th Annual
Australia & New Zealand
Endovascular Therapies Meeting

Friday 9 August – Sunday 11 August 2019
Adelaide Convention Centre

International Faculty:

Louis Bernstein Lecturer:

William Lombardi, University of Washington, Medical Center, USA

Innovations in Cardiology Lecturer:

Alan Yeung, Stanford University, USA

Jacqueline Saw, Vancouver General Hospital, Canada

Simon Redwood, St Thomas' Hospital, UK

David Sparv, Skane University Hospital, Sweden

Live Case Sites:

The Alfred Hospital, Melbourne, Victoria

Monash Medical Centre, Melbourne, Victoria

Leipzig Heart Center, Leipzig, Germany

www.anzet.com.au



CSANZ Travelling Fellowship to EuroHeartCare 2–4 May, 2019 Milan, Italy

EuroHeartCare is the annual meeting of the ESC Council on Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions (CCNAP) aimed at helping support cardiovascular nurses and allied health professionals deliver the best care possible to patients with cardiovascular disease.

Application Criteria

1. **At the time of application**, applicants must be current financial Nurse or Allied Health **Affiliate Members** of the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand, with preference given to early career applicants or clinicians attending EuroHeartCare for the first time.
2. Applicants **must** have an abstract accepted for presentation at the EuroHeartCare 2019 Congress **and must be the first or senior author of the accepted abstract**. In some circumstances, consideration may be given to a co-first author or someone who has made a substantial contribution to the work (see item 4). Alternatively, the applicant has been invited to speak in a session at the Congress.
3. The work must have emanated from Australia or New Zealand.
4. Applications must be accompanied by a letter from the supervisor or Director of the laboratory or service from which the work has emanated, **clearly detailing the specific contribution made by the applicant towards the work being presented**.
5. Preference will be given to those who have not previously been awarded a CSANZ Travelling Scholarship.
6. Late applications will **NOT** be considered.
7. The Scholarship is valued at up to \$3,000 AUD.

Applications should be emailed to the Honorary Secretary at info@csanz.edu.au and **must include:**

- copy of submitted abstract(s) and official notification of acceptance which includes the abstract title and the accepted presentation type;
- brief curriculum vitae;
- supporting letter from the supervisor or Director.

Closing Date

25 February, 2019

Please note: *if applicants have not received email confirmation of receipt of their application within one week of submission, they should contact the Secretariat at info@csanz.edu.au immediately*



**Criteria for CSANZ Heart Failure Council travel grant for the
International Society for Heart & Lung Transplantation
3-6 April, 2019, Orlando, Florida USA**

1. Applicants must be current financial FCSANZ, Associate or Affiliate Members of the Cardiac Society, with preference given to early career applicants attending their first meeting.
 2. The work must have emanated from Australia or New Zealand.
 3. Applicants **must** have an abstract on a topic relevant to Heart Failure, accepted for presentation.
 4. Applications must be accompanied by a letter from the supervisor or Director of the laboratory or service from which the work has emanated, clearly detailing the specific contribution made by the applicant towards the work being presented.
 5. Preference will be given to those who have not previously been awarded a CSANZ Travelling Scholarship.
 6. Conditions apply to [successful applicants not domiciled in Australia or New Zealand.](#)
 7. Late applications will **NOT** be considered.
 8. The Scholarship is valued at up to AUD\$3,000
 9. Successful recipient must agree to present in the next CSANZ Heart Failure Council Program during the CSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting:
 - i. A summary of the highlights of the meeting and an overview of the top 5 Heart Failure papers they attended at the ISHLT Conference.
 - ii. An oral presentation of their abstract.
 10. Successful recipient to email the Heart Failure Council Secretary at info@csanz.edu.au confirming availability to present in the next CSANZ Heart Failure Council Program (See item 9).
- Applications should be accompanied by:
- a) copy of submitted abstract(s) and official notification of acceptance;
 - b) brief curriculum vitae;
 - c) supporting letter from the supervisor or Director;
- Applications should be emailed to info@csanz.edu.au
- Closing Date**
- 11 February, 2019**
- Please note:** *If applicants have not received email confirmation of receipt of their application within 1 week of submission, they should contact the Secretariat at info@csanz.edu.au*



Criteria for CSANZ Heart Failure Council

Henry Krum Memorial

Travel Grant for the

European Society of Cardiology

–Heart Failure Meeting

25-28 May, 2019

Athens, Greece

1. Applicants must be current financial FCSANZ, Associate or Affiliate Members of the Cardiac Society, with preference given to early career applicants attending their first meeting.
 2. The work must have emanated from Australia or New Zealand.
 3. Applicants **must** have an abstract on a topic relevant to Heart Failure, accepted for presentation.
 4. Applications must be accompanied by a letter from the supervisor or Director of the laboratory or service from which the work has emanated, clearly detailing the specific contribution made by the applicant towards the work being presented.
 5. Preference will be given to those who have not previously been awarded a CSANZ Travelling Scholarship.
 6. Conditions apply to successful applicants not domiciled in Australia or New Zealand.
 7. Late applications will **NOT** be considered.
 8. The Scholarship is valued at up to \$3,000
 9. Successful recipient must agree to present in the next CSANZ Heart Failure Council Program during the CSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting:
 - i. A summary of the highlights of the meeting and an overview of the top 5 Heart Failure papers they attended at the ESC Heart Failure Conference.
 - ii. An oral presentation of their abstract.
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 - b) brief curriculum vitae;
 - c) supporting letter from the supervisor or Director;
- Applications should be emailed to info@csanz.edu.au

Closing Date

1 April, 2019

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Forthcoming Meetings

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

CSANZ 3rd Indigenous
Cardiovascular Health Conference

12 – 13 June, 2019

Wellington, New Zealand

www.ich2019.com

CSANZ New Zealand
Annual Scientific Meeting

13 – 15 June 2019

Wellington, New Zealand

www.csanzasm.nz

CSANZ2019

8 – 11 August, 2019

Adelaide, South Australia

*Hosted by the CSANZ Victorian
Regional Committee*

www.csanzasm.com

ANZET19

8 – 11 August, 2019

Adelaide, South Australia

www.anzet.com.au

ACHD Symposium 2019

5-7 December, 2019

Queenstown, New Zealand

NORTH AMERICA

ACC19

16 – 18 March, 2019

New Orleans, USA

www.cardiosource.org/acc

AHA19

16-28 November, 2019

Philadelphia, USA

www.scientificsessions.americanheart.org/

EUROPE

ESC Congress 2019

31 August – 4 September 2019

Paris, France

www.escardio.org

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and events can be viewed on the
Society's website

www.csanz.edu.au