



**Register now – before it's too late!**

### **Dunedin Skin Lesions & Dermatoscopy Course - 1 July**

Conducted by Honorary Associate Professor Amanda Oakley, this one-day course will be held in Dunedin on Saturday 1 July at the Dunedin Art Gallery. The course will be hosted by MelNet and the Health Promotion Agency.

The course will address clinical and dermatoscopic diagnosis of common benign and malignant skin lesions, particularly pigmented lesions. All health professionals undertaking skin examinations are invited to attend, whether new to or experienced in dermatoscopy.

You can find further information [here](#).

You can register [here](#).

### **World Congress Early Bird Registration Deadline - 19 June**

19 June is the deadline for early bird registration for the 9<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Melanoma (18-21 October) in Brisbane.

MelNet will be organising a meeting of New Zealand delegates during the Congress. Please advise the [MelNet Coordinator](#) if you are planning to attend the congress.

You can find further congress information [here](#).

12 June is the deadline for submitting an abstract for The Society for Melanoma Research (part of the World Congress). You can submit here. <https://melanomacongress2017.abstractcentral.com/>

## **Melanoma Research and Therapy in New Zealand: Raising the Bar through Collaborative Action - 9 September 2017**

Be sure to register for this highly focused one-day event to be part of the Queenstown Research Week (2-9 September 2017).

The meeting will feature Australia and New Zealand's top experts in melanoma epidemiology, treatment, clinical trials and scientific research including:

- Dr Mark Shackelton, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre
- Professor Melanie Ziman, Edith Cowan University School of Medical Sciences
- Professor David Whiteman, QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute
- Professor Rod Dunbar, University of Auckland
- Professor Mike Eccles, Dunedin School of Medicine
- Mr Richard Martin, Waitemata DHB
- Professor Cris Print, University of Auckland
- Dr Mary Jane Sneyd, Dunedin School of Medicine
- Professor Peter Shepherd, University of Auckland
- Dr Rosalie Stephens, Auckland DHB.

Organised by MelNet and Melanoma New Zealand in partnership with the Queenstown Research Week (QRW), this is a must attend event for clinicians and scientists with a commitment to improving outcomes for patients with melanoma in New Zealand.

### ***Registration***

To register for this meeting you will need to create a 'new user account' for the Queenstown Research Week [here](#).

To attend the melanoma meeting only, please choose Option 6. The cost is \$200 (including an end of day social function).

If you wish to attend other meetings during the week, you can select other options and choose melanoma as an additional meeting.

### ***Poster Abstract Submission***

Delegates to the meeting are invited to submit an abstract for a poster [here](#).

### ***Further Information***

Please contact the [MelNet Coordinator](#) for further information about the day. And please help publicise the meeting by forwarding this message to colleagues.

## **Lymphoedema webinar – Tuesday 13 June**

Melanoma New Zealand invites all MelNet members to a “Lymphoedema – recognition is swelling” webinar on Tuesday 13 June at 07:00 pm. Presenters will be Michele Ulrich (certified lymphedema therapist) and Claire Doole (nurse and lymphedema educator). You can find further information and register at:

<http://omnovia.redbackconferencing.com.au/landers/page/7f5d4d>

## **Other upcoming events**

**8-11 June 2017**

[NZMA Rotorua GP CME](#)

Features main session on melanoma and dermatoscopy workshops

**17-18 June 2017**

[Health Cert Skin Cancer Certificate Courses](#)

Gold Coast

Early bird registration closes 18 May

**26-29 July 2017**

[Skin Cancer Summit and Masterclasses 2017](#)

Brisbane, Australia

## **Recent MelNet website postings**

You can find the recent joint MelNet, Melanoma New Zealand and Cancer Society of New Zealand submission to PHARMAC on the proposal to amend Nivolumab (Opdivo) and pembrolizumab (Keytruda) funding criteria [here](#).

<http://www.melnet.org.nz/uploads/PHARMAC-24-May-2017-Joint-Submission.pdf>

Also, check out our recently updated calendar of 2017 [events](#), [resources](#) and [news](#) postings, including:

[Strategies to address tanning addiction](#)

[Campaigns should challenge health benefits to reduce sunbed use](#)

[Melanoma patient imaging in the era of effective systemic therapies](#)

[Concordance with national guidelines for surgical management of melanoma in New South Wales](#)

[Rare and deadly melanomas not caused by the sun: new finding](#)

[Worldwide trends in skin cancer](#)

[Both visual and written resources needed to teach skin self-exams](#)

[Somatic driver mutations in melanoma](#)

[Culture-based meanings and values toward skin colour](#)

[Strategies to overcome resistance to molecularly targeted melanoma therapy](#)

[Immune therapy and quality of life in melanoma](#)

[Role of circulating tumour DNA in monitoring metastatic melanoma](#)

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