



MelNet update

20 March 2018

In case you missed it: Registration now open for 2018 NZ Melanoma Summit

2-3 November 2018
Cordis Hotel, Auckland

Registration is now open for the fifth New Zealand Melanoma Summit! Secure your spot and [register now](#).

We are excited to have the following international keynote speakers confirmed:

- **Associate Professor Cliff Rosendahl**, Director of the Master of Medicine (Skin Cancer) Programme, University of Queensland, Australia
- **Professor John Kelly**, Director of the Victorian Melanoma Service, The Alfred Hospital Melbourne, Australia
- **Professor John Thompson**, Professor of Melanoma and Surgical Oncology, The University of Sydney, Australia
- **Dr Donna Milne**, Advanced Practice Nurse in the Skin and Melanoma Service and a clinical nurse researcher in the Department of Cancer Experiences Research at Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre Victoria, Australia

[Further information about the Summit](#)

[Further information about all our keynote speakers](#)

[Preliminary Summit programme](#)

Invercargill Skin Lesion and Dermatoscopy course - places still available

Saturday 5 May 2018
Kelvin Hotel, Invercargill

Conducted by Honorary Associate Professor Amanda Oakley, this one-day Common Skin Lesions and Dermatoscopy course will address clinical and dermatoscopic diagnosis of common benign and malignant skin lesions, particularly pigmented lesions.

This course is hosted by MelNet with support from the Health Promotion Agency.

[Register now](#)

[Further information](#)

Last chance to register for UV Radiation workshop

4-6 April 2018
James Cook Grand Chancellor, Wellington

Hosted by NIWA, this workshop will look at the effects of UV radiation on human health and the environment. You don't want to miss out on this action-packed programme which features presentations from both international and New Zealand speakers. MelNet is a sponsor of the workshop.

[Register or find out more information](#)

Other upcoming events

Foundation Dermatoscopy and Skin Cancer Medicine Symposium

28 April 2018

Auckland

Hosted by Associate Professors Amanda Oakley and Cliff Rosendahl, and Dr Chris Boberg, this symposium is aimed at beginners in the field of dermatoscopy and skin cancer.

[Further information](#)

SCCA Certificate of Dermoscopy

28-29 April 2018

Queenstown

An ideal introduction to dermatoscopy suitable for GPs wanting to understand the basics of this essential skin cancer diagnostic technique.

[Further information](#)

SCCA Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

28-29 April 2018

Queenstown

This certificate is for GPs who want to expand their knowledge and skills in primary care skin cancer medicine. The focus is on core skills for the safe practice of skin cancer medicine.

[Further information](#)

World Congress on Cancers of the Skin

15-18 August 2018

Sydney

This event will explore the latest in skin cancer medicine, including cutting-edge developments in skin cancer treatment and prevention, as well as results of the latest research and clinical trials.

[Further information](#)

In the news

New Australian online tool to predict future risk of developing melanoma

Scientists from QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute in Australia have developed an online test to help people aged 40 and over to predict their risk of developing melanoma over the next 3.5 years. The risk predictor was developed using data from nearly 42,000 Queenslanders aged from their forties to seventies. It calculates the results based on seven risk factors for melanoma.

[See the story](#)

[See the tool](#)

Government funds essential for better sun safety

An article discussing how more Government funding is needed to support skin cancer prevention activities in New Zealand.

[See the story](#)

Recent MelNet website postings

[Gender: a melanoma risk factor](#)

[Mobile teledermoscopy - the future of early detection](#)

[Youth aged 18 - 25 not practicing sun-protective behaviours despite high level of knowledge of skin cancer risk factors](#)

[Private Facebook groups valuable in delivering indoor tanning interventions](#)

[Survival predictions vary across online melanoma prognostic tools](#)

[Understanding care needs important in developing support interventions](#)

[Social media provides a unique opportunity to reach tanners with public health messaging](#)

[Updated evidence-based clinical practice guidelines for primary cutaneous melanoma excision margins](#)

[Technology-based interventions tested as way of increasing sunsafe behaviours in construction workers](#)

[Occupational sun protection is key in preventing squamous cell carcinoma](#)