



# MelNet update

20 July 2021



## Melanoma Summit

New Zealand 2021

**10 - 12 September 2021 | Sir Owen G Glenn Building, University of Auckland | Auckland**

Don't miss your chance to be involved. Standard registration is open until 8 August. Tickets are selling fast so [register now](#) to avoid missing out.

[See the programme](#)

### Travelling from outside Auckland? Let us help you.

Thanks to the generosity of Auckland Unlimited, we have funding available to support the travel costs of delegates from outside the Auckland region.

See the [Summit website](#) for more information.

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## Notice of MelNet AGM | 10 September 2021

The MelNet AGM will be held at the Sir Owen G Glenn Building, University of Auckland from 5.15 – 5.30pm on Friday 10 September 2021, immediately following day one of the 2021 New Zealand Melanoma Summit.

Members are invited to submit nominations for the Executive Committee in writing to the [MelNet Chief Executive](#) no later than 5.00 pm Friday 20 August 2021. These should include the nominee's name, a brief biography and the signatures of two members.

According to the MelNet rules, the Committee shall comprise at least eight and no more than ten members, with occupations that span the continuum. Members who will be serving the second year of their two-year term have experience in the areas of dermatology, oncology, research, nursing, general practice and pathology. Up to five additional members can be elected to the committee at the AGM. Preference will be given to those with surgical, health promotion and oncological expertise.

All members are also invited to submit any remits or other matters to be considered at the AGM to the [MelNet Chief Executive](#) no later than 5.00pm 20 August 2021.

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## Quality Statements to Guide Melanoma Diagnosis and Treatment in NZ | Thank you for your feedback

Consultation on the Quality Statements to Guide Melanoma Diagnosis and Treatment in New Zealand has closed – thank you to those who took the time to provide feedback. The National Melanoma Working Group will now review responses and make changes where appropriate.

The aim is to publish the finalised document on the [MelNet website](#) by September 2021 and launch at the 2021 New Zealand Melanoma Summit.

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## Tips and tricks | Online learning support

### Podcast: Multidisciplinary management of primary melanoma

Dr Adrian Quek (Skin Cancer GP) interviews A/Prof Jon Stretch (Plastic Surgeon) and Dr Bruna Gouveia (Dermatologist) on the multidisciplinary management of primary melanoma, including tips for making a melanoma diagnosis, how to know when to biopsy, who is indicated for a sentinel node biopsy and more.

[Watch on MIA's Education Portal](#) (free log in required)

### Presentation: Game changers in oncology: ASCO 2021 melanoma highlights

Medical Oncologist A/Prof Alex Menzies overviews data unveiled at ASCO 2021 on melanoma trials in the metastatic, adjuvant and neoadjuvant settings, and what they mean for clinical practice in Australia.

[View on MIA's Education Portal](#) (free log in required)

### Recorded webinar: The melanoma pathology report and its impact on clinical management

Pathology and surgical experts discuss the important role of pathology in primary care, key features of the pathology report, when to refer to a surgeon and more.

[Follow on MIA's Education Portal](#) (free log in required)

### Online lecture: Chameleon melanomas

Associate Professor Andreas Blum discusses chameleon melanomas and how to differentiate between melanoma and other skin lesions, especially when the dermatoscopic clues are very similar.

[Watch on HealthCert Blog](#)

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## Upcoming opportunities and events

### Online course: Dermatopathology for Skin Cancer Clinicians



[Skin Cancer College Australasia](#)'s online course [Dermatopathology for Skin Cancer Clinicians](#) is ideal for experienced skin cancer professionals looking to improve their understanding of how dermoscopy integrates with pathology.

Delivered online over 6 weeks.

[More information](#)

### GP CME South 19 - 22 August 2021



Content focused on short, sharp and to the point clinical updates to change your practice immediately. Skin cancer content includes:

- Skin Cancer Surgical Basic and Advanced Skills pre-conference workshops
- Dermoscopy pre-conference workshop
- Case study on melanoma immunotherapy

[See the programme](#) | [Register here](#) | [More information](#)

## Other upcoming opportunities and events

### August

**Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine**  
**Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine**  
**Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery**  
**Professional Diploma of Skin Cancer Surgery**  
**Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery**  
Online and optional workshop in Brisbane on 14/15 August 2021  
[Further information](#)

**Certificate of Advanced Dermatoscopy**  
14 - 15 August 2021  
Auckland  
[Further information](#)

**New Zealand Dermatological Society (NZDSI) 2021 Annual Conference**  
18 – 21 August 2021  
Queenstown  
[Further information](#)

**New Zealand Dermatology Nurses' (NZDNS) Society conference**  
19 - 20 August 2021  
Queenstown  
[Further information](#)

**New Zealand Society of Cosmetic Medicine Conference**  
26 - 28 August 2021  
Queenstown  
[Further information](#)

**Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine**  
**Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine**  
**Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery**  
**Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery**  
**Professional Diploma of Skin Cancer Surgery**  
Online and optional workshop in Sydney on 28/29 August 2021  
[Further information](#)

**Queenstown Research Week 2021**  
30 August - 2 September 2021  
Queenstown  
[Further information](#)

### September

**31st Queenstown Molecular Biology Meeting**  
1 - 2 September 2021  
Queenstown  
[Further information](#)

**Certificate of Dermoscopy**  
3 September 2021 (running over 3 weeks)  
Online  
[Further information](#)

**EUROSKIN 5th International UV and Skin Cancer Prevention Conference**  
7 – 9 September 2021  
Virtual conference  
[Further information](#)

**The Goodfellow Unit Primary Care Update**  
11 September 2021  
Webinar  
[Further information](#)

**European Society for Medical Oncology Congress: ESMO 2021**  
16 – 21 September 2021  
Virtual event  
[Further information](#)

[For more events see the MelNet events calendar](#)

## Recent MelNet website postings

Below is a selection of recent news postings on the MelNet website. Please visit the [website](#) to view all the latest news items.

[Impact of circulating and tissue biomarkers in adjuvant and neoadjuvant therapy for high-risk melanoma](#)

[Association of performing a sentinel lymph node biopsy with overall survival in intermediate thickness melanoma patients \(Dutch population-based study\)](#)

[Recent advances in the treatment of melanoma](#)

[Chimeric antigen receptor \(CAR\) T cell therapy for metastatic melanoma: Challenges and the road ahead](#)

[Re-defining the role of surgery in the management of patients with oligometastatic stage IV melanoma in the era of effective systemic therapies](#)

[Importance of strengthening the readiness of non-medical professionals to examine their client's skin](#)

[UV photography could identify areas missed by sun protection lotions](#)

[Epidemiology of cutaneous melanoma and keratinocyte cancer in white populations 1943–2036](#)

[Metabolic interplay between the immune system and melanoma cells: therapeutic implications](#)

[Melanoma In situ: A critical review and re-evaluation of current excision margin recommendations](#)

[Melanoma with osseous or chondroid differentiation: Report of eight cases including SATB2 expression and mutation analysis](#)

[Current challenges in access to melanoma care: A multidisciplinary perspective](#)



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