



#### **APRIL 2023**



Research Prize winners We are pleased to announce the following research prize winners from this year's ASM:

## **Oral Abstract First Prize:**Malgorzata (Maggie) Maciaszek

'Middle Meningeal Artery Embolization for Chronic Subdural Haematoma'

Prize: Complimentary Registration and return economy airfare to 2024 ASM

### **Oral Abstract Second Prize:** Amer Mitchelle

'CT Perfusion for the screening of vasospasm and Delayed Cerebral Ischaemia in aneurysmal Subarachnoid Hemorrhage: A Systematic Review and Metaanalysis'

Prize: Complimentary Registration for 2024 ASM

## **Trade Passport Prize:** Cassie Cooper

Complimentary full registration for 2024 ASM

### PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

After a two - year hiatus it was with pleasure that we could all meet face-to-face again on the stunning Morning Peninsula for our Annual Scientific Meeting 2023.

The meeting was so popular that we reached venue capacity, closing off registrations a week prior with 170 in-person registrations. The 3 and half day program included an excellent mix of concurrent sessions for Diagnostic and Interventional neuroradiology and head and neck radiology. The international and local faculty presenters were of an extremely high calibre, which is testament to the quality education being provided at our meeting each year. Thank you to all our speakers.

This ASM would not be possible without the dedication and hard work put in by our convenors, Elaine Lui and Ronil Chandra. I would like to congratulate them on convening such a successful meeting and extend a huge thank you to the other members of the scientific committee: Lee-Anne Slater, Ricky Lu and Shalini Amukotuwa.

ASM delegates will receive access to the recorded 2023 ASM sessions over coming weeks. Having these sessions recorded will allow delegates who have an interest in both diagnostic and intervention, to access all sessions presented throughout the ASM. Members will be granted access to this educational content in 12 months' time.

On behalf of the ANZSNR Council, we would like to thank all delegates for attending, we look forward to providing you all with details of the location and venue for our 2024 meeting which will be convened by New Zealand Council member, Dr Shane Lee from Auckland City Hospital.

See photos of the event on page 2 >

#### RANZCR CPD HOURS

Delegates attending the ANZSNR ASM can claim RANZCR CPD hours.

 $19\,RANZCR\,CPD$  hours can be claimed for attendance at the 2023 ANZSNR Annual Scientific Meeting.

This is made up of: 10.5 CPD hours under "conference attendance" as an educational activity and 8.5 CPD hours under "review of cases" as a reviewing performance activity.

Certificates of attendance have been distributed. If you cannot locate yours, please contact our events manager at nc@ncevents.com.au

#### **ASM 2023 HIGHLIGHTS**











#### **JMIRO**

The ANZSNR is pleased to support promotion of a new subsection in JMIRO on Interventional Radiology and Interventional Neuroradiology.

### WILEY



#### A new subsection within JMIRO:

Acknowledging the importance of Interventional Radiology and Interventional Neuroradiology research in Australia and New Zealand

This decision is a monumental leap forward for the interventional specialties of Radiology in Australia and New Zealand, where there will now be a formalised platform for the distribution of local and international, high-quality academic research.

In introducing this new subsection, *JMIRO* joins a growing list of international journals that are wholly or partly dedicated to presenting IR and INR research. Manuscripts in the field or IR and INR have featured in many special issues of *JMIRO* over the years, and feature regularly within the journal's existing Medical Imaging (Clinical Radiology) subsection. This subsection also reflects and supports the advocacy of RANZCR in promoting IR and INR as separate, growing and increasingly important fields of specialty practice.

In addition to IR and INR, the locally and internationally derived articles in the new subsection will cover interventional oncology, musculoskeletal IR, paediatric IR, and more. Manuscripts will also canvass broader governance issues of quality and guidelines, as well as the range of regular clinical submissions such as original research, review articles, technical notes, pictorial essays, case letters, pictorial essays and viewpoints.

Scan the QR code to read the full Editorial, and submit your IR and INR research to JMIRO!

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#### **ANSNSR AGM 2023**

The ANZSNR AGM took place on Saturday 01 April 2023. Thank you to all the members who attended the AGM, we had 37 attendees this year.

For those that were unable to attend, here is a short overview of the key updates from the AGM. Official meeting minutes have been taken by the secretariat, and will be ratified at the 2024 AGM, in accordance with constitutional protocol.

#### Membership Report

Fellow - 140

Associate - 1

Life - 6

Student - 23

**Total Members 170** 

For 2023, the society introduced a fee increase to accommodate the increased costs of running the society due to inflation.

Annual membership subscriptions are payable in full, annually, in advance of each Membership Financial Year and are due before the first day of the Membership Financial Year. Payment must be made within three months of the due date (or such other date as the Council may determine from time to time) without prejudice to any rights of the member. Failure to pay dues by April 1, shall result in termination of membership in the Association.

Fellow - \$240 (plus GST)

Student, Associate and Corresponding - \$65 (plus GST)

Life - Complimentary membership

#### FINANCIAL REPORT - YEAR END 30 JUNE 2022

We are pleased to provide members with the financial report from the audited 30 June 2022 accounts:

Total Income Total Expenditure Surplus	\$ \$ <b>\$</b>	320, 450 271,286 <b>49, 164</b>
Breakdown of Income	<b>.</b>	07.705
Subscriptions	\$	27,795
Event income	\$	292,655
Total Income	\$	320,450
Breakdown of expenses		
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Event costs	\$	242,120
Event costs Administrative expenses	\$ \$	242,120 18,694
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Administrative expenses	\$	18,694
Administrative expenses Audit Fees	\$ \$	18,694 4,475
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Summary - Profit of \$49,164 for YE22.

Financial Position at 30 June 2022			
	2	2022	2021
Total Current Assets	\$ 68	88,817	\$ 619,681
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 2	26, 348	\$ 6,376
Net Assets	\$ 66	62,469	\$613,305

#### **COUNCIL REPORT**

#### **Council Composition Update**

We are pleased to introduce Shane Lee, an INR from Auckland representing NZ. He commenced on the council in 2022 following an EOI process.

Graham Dunn is finishing up as the NSW councillor after his first 3-year term. We wish to thank Graham for his commitment to the ANZSNR over the past 3-years.

Ronil Chandra is finishing up as the VIC councillor after his 2nd 3-year term comes to an end. Thank you, Ronil, for your 6-year contribution to the ANZSNR and congratulations for convening this years ASM.

Jen Gillespie, Head and Neck representative and Laetitia de Villiers, QLD council representative, will hold their respective positions for a second 3-year term commencing 01 July 2023.

As part of constitutional resolution, we will be asking members to formalise the paediatric NR position on council, thus granting Cristina a 3-year term commencing 01 July 2023.

Vacancies in TAS and ACT still exist. If you reside in either of these locations and wish to join the ANZSNR council, please contact Bianca at secretariat@anzsnr.org.au

Following vacancies in VIC and NSW, we are pleased to announce that Lee-Anne Slater will be the second Vic representative to the Council and Lavier Gomes, the second NSW representative to the Council for a 3-year term. Congratulations to Lee-Anne and Lavier on your appointments and we look forward to your contribution to our society over coming years.

For a full list of ANZSNR councillors, please visit www.anzsnr.org.au/governance

Members are reminded that they should contact their Branch/NZ representative should they wish to have any issue, achievement or question sent through to Council. Council meets quarterly each year, in February, May, August and November.

To contact your councillor, please do so via the Secretariat – **secretariat@anzsnr.org.au** 

Following a busy year, ANZSNR has made achievements across many areas. A summary of these, as presented at the AGM, are listed -

- Development of Terms of Reference for the ANZSNR Council
- INR Specialty recognition and training pathway progress in partnership with RANZCR and IRSA
- International Affiliations
  - > AOSNHNR
  - > WFNRS
  - > BSNR
- Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status attained in mid 2022
  - > Important step for increasing our industry partners funding arrangement for other initiatives
- Endorsement of the WFITN standard Safety Preoperative Check document
- Appointment of Laetitia de Villiers to the Australian Stroke Alliance (ASA) Pre-Hospital Stroke Council
- Endorsement of the MT White Paper
- President's Quarterly Newsletter
- Update members on the outcomes of the Council each quarter
- Endorsement and in-kind support for the UQ Health Economic Alliance for INR
- Collaborative opportunities and potential formal link with Radiology across Borders (RAB)
- MBS Review Advisory Committee Vascular Interventional Neuroradiology working group membership
  - ANZSNR appointed representativesAlbert Chui and Ken Faulder
- Tripartite Committee with RANZCR and IRSA
- Delivery of 2023 ASM
- Research Sub- Committee Formation
  - > Chair Patricia Desmond
  - > Other members Paul Parizel, Daren Gibson and Sandeep Bhuta
- Engagement of junior doctors/Interns/JMOs through:
  - > Education evening at UNSW thanks Nathan Manning for presenting on behalf of ANZSNR
- Increase members benefits
  - > International Affiliation with AOSNHNR
  - > Access to research grants for junior members

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS PASSED

Various constitutional amendments were passed at the AGM.

A summary of the changes are as follows:

- 1. Changes related to a change in the number of sponsors for membership, from two to one.
- 2. Changes related to adding additional in wording to describe council representatives.
- 3. Addition of a formal paediatric neuroradiology representative to Part 4 The Council
- 4. Changes related to the inclusion of additional wording to describe council representatives in wording in Part 4 - The Council
- 5. Changes related to changing approval of co-opted members from council to Executive Committee in Part 4 - The Council
- 6. Changes related to the quorum of Executive committee members for council meetings, from two to one needing to be in attendance in Part 4 The Council
- Changes related to the addition of new clauses for ANZSNR CCINR appointed delegates in Part 4 - The Council.

These changes are now incorporated into the constitution. Any members wishing to receive a copy of the constitution can do so by emailing the secretariat

- secretariat@anzsnr.org.au



#### WHITE PAPER ON MT LAUNCHED

- 1. Stroke is a leading cause of death and disability in Australia, with a \$6.2 billion direct financial cost and a further \$26 billion in lost well-being and premature death.
- 2. For several years now, mechanical thrombectomy has been considered a gold-standard treatment for this type of stroke. However, only a fraction of patients who would benefit are receiving the treatment, and there are significant inequities in access depending on where a patient lives.
- **3.** For some patients, this treatment can mean the difference between walking out of the hospital following a stroke or living with permanent and severe disability.
- **4.** Improving stroke outcomes for all Australians requires a system that gets the right patients to the right treatment centre as quickly as possible.
- 5. The White Paper: Access to Mechanical Thrombectomy in Australia looks at the barriers preventing people from accessing treatment and proposes that a national strategy be developed to help overcome these barriers for all Australians.

The ANZSNR has endorsed the development of this White Paper.

We are pleased to announce that the White Paper has been launched and can be accessed at: austrokealliance.org.au/white-paper/

# WHAT'S NEXT KEY ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIETY FOR 2024

- Allocation of research grants for eligible applicants
- Engagement of junior doctors/Interns/JMOs through another education evening in Victoria in late May 2023.
- Registered trademarking for ANZSNR
- ANZSNR representative appointment to AOSNHNR
- Further collaboration opportunities with RAB
- Potential to partner with IRSA for the 2023 Registrars Conference
- Appointment of new financial auditors

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



# RADIOLOGY: DRIVING INNOVATIONS, ENHANCING HEALTHSPAN

On behalf of the Organising Committee, it is my honour and privilege to invite you to the 14th Asian Oceanian Congress of Neuroradiology (AOCNR), held in conjunction with SGCR-WIRES 2023 (31st Annual Scientific Meeting Singapore Congress of Radiology and the 13th Workshops in Interventional Radiology Education Singapore), with this year's theme focused on neuroradiology.

- **1.** Abstracts submission is open **www.aocnr2023.org/abstracts/** please encourage especially your Residents to participate (ticket price is below cost, we are teaching the future leaders of tomorrow!): , SGD\$80 discount for paper/poster presenter, attractive prizes to be won.
- **2.** WFNRS Travel Grant x 2 to be awarded: deadline extended to June 5 www.wfnrs.org/travel-grants-programs/travel-grants
- **3.** Registration is open **www.aocnr2023.org/registration/** please sign up for early bird special price (ends 15 May).
- **4.** Preliminary program attached: we have an exciting program featuring >100 international and local speakers **www.aocnr2023.org/faculty/**

Come for the content, stay for the connections! With your active support and participation, we can look forward to a dynamic and successful congress. We look forward to seeing you in Singapore in 2023!





## ANZSNR COUNCIL MEMBERS

#### **ANZSNR Executive Team**

President Dr Con Phatouros 2022 - 2025

Past President Professor Peter Mitchell 2022 - 2025

Secretary General Dr Steve Chryssidis 2022 - 2025

The ANZSNR Council consists of the Executive plus the below elected representatives.

NZ - Shane Lee 2022-2025

NSW - Lavier Gomes 2023- 2026

NSW - Andrew Cheung 2022-2025

VIC - Elaine Lui 2022-2025

VIC - Lee-Anne Slater 2023- 2026

WA - Tim Phillips 2022-2025

QLD - Laetitia de Villiers 2023-2026

SA - Christen Barras 2022-2025

H&N - Jen Gillespie 2023- 2026

Paediatric Neuroradiology

Cristina Mignone 2023-2026

Co-opted member Alan Coulthard