



FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Our new rules of Association were accepted by Consumer Affairs Victoria without change. These will come into operation from our next Annual General Meeting. However the ASSCR Ordinary Committee has agreed to conduct an election for the first committee under the new structure prior to the AGM in November, 2014. This will allow the new committee to immediately take over at the end of the conference. The election will be conducted electronically and administered by ASN Events under the watchful eye of ASSCR scrutineers. Besides 3 executive positions (Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) there will be an election for 5 ordinary committee members, who will each be expected to head up one of the subcommittees

- Membership/Communications/Website/Newsletter;
- Policy and Translation/Ethics/ Public Policy/Clinical Translation;
- Sponsorship/Fundraising/Industry;
- Conference and Awards;
- Professional Development/JI/member trainees

We expect to call for nominations in August and more information with details will follow. In the interim, please consider nominating members or seek nomination yourself for the new ASSCR committee. It is an exciting time to steer the ASSCR through its next stage of development.

Caroline Gargett

ASSCR CONGRATULATES ISSCR TRAVEL AWARD WINNERS

The ASSCR and the Australian stem cell research community congratulate the following scientists who have won a prestigious ISSCR travel award to attend the 12th Annual Meeting of the ISSCR in Vancouver, Canada later this month. The 5 Australian scientists to be given a travel award are Helen Abud (Monash University, Victoria), Sarah Best (The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute, Victoria), Pritinder Kaur (Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Victoria), Phong Nguyen (Monash University, Victoria) and Minoru Takasato (The University of Queensland, Queensland).

In addition, the National Stem Cell Foundation of Australia has funded 5 travel awards for PhD students or early career researchers to attend the conference. The awardees are Jean Tan (Monash Institute of Medical Research, Victoria), Gautam Wali (Griffith University, NSW), Nilay Thakard (University of Queensland, Queensland), Julie-Ann Hulin (Flinders University, SA) and Luke Aris Diepeveen (University of Western Australia, WA).

Congratulations to all awardees.



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REMINDER: ASSCR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Narrowing the Gap Between Stem Cell Science and Cell Therapy

9 - 11 November 2014,
Mantra Lorne, VIC



We are delighted to announce the Inaugural Joint Scientific Meeting of the Australasian Society for Stem Cell Research, the International Society for Cellular Therapy (Australia/New Zealand region) and Stem Cells Australia.

REGISTRATION AND ABSTRACT SUBMISSION IS NOW OPEN

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