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▶ Editor's Note

The APS has been saddened to learn of the death of Humphry Cramond. Thank you to Professor Julia Fleming and Dr Paul Gray who have prepared a fitting tribute to Humphry for this newsletter. The APS has sent condolences to Professor Tess Cramond.

I welcome to the editorial office (an entity found in cyberspace) Dr Stephanie Davies who will be assisting Tracy Hallen and myself to make this newsletter relevant and informative for members. Your suggestions and contributions are invited to help us achieve this.

Stephanie is the APS State Director for Western Australia. A fellow of the Faculty of Pain Medicine, she is the Head of Service, Pain Medicine Unit, Fremantle Hospital, and is an Adjunct Assoc. Professor at the School of Physiotherapy at Curtin University and senior lecturer at UWA. She also has a private practice. Stephanie has a focus on up-skilling consumers in "co-care" – combining coordinated self-management options with evidence-based medical options. Because she set up a web resource for evidence-based practice, www.MyLibrary.net.au in 2005, Stephanie has an ongoing interest in staying current with publications and some of this expertise will be shared with readers of the APS newsletter.

It's pleasing to see how much information about pain medicine matters is being made available online for members of the APS, other healthcare workers and Australian consumers. Examples are the

website operated by Stephanie with Dr Helen Slater <http://painhealth.csse.uwa.edu.au>, our APS website which gets better and better, and in this issue you'll find a report of the resources that have been made available online by the NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation. Well done to all those involved in making these various resources available. I encourage you to use them and to share your response with the APS social media

Another item in this newsletter is the Vision, Mission and Aims of the Australian Pain Society. It's valuable to reflect from time to time on why we have this Society and what we want it to achieve. The APS Board undertook this exercise as part of the face-to-face board meeting held in Melbourne last August. Please take the time to read this item. You may wish to discuss it with others, including members of the Board: a good opportunity will be at Annual Scientific Meeting later this month. Or you can tweet or blog about it.



Regards,

Will Howard

Newsletter Editor



DR ERNEST HUMPHRY CRAMOND OAM

Prepared by Prof Julia Fleming and Dr Paul Gray

6 April 1924 – 15 March 2014

Dr Humphry Cramond, beloved husband of Emeritus Professor Tess Cramond, was a committed doctor, devoted family man and lover of rugby union. He was a committed member of the Australian Pain Society, and a regular attendee at annual scientific meetings of the society over many years.

Humphry was born in Townsville to Stuart and Mary Cramond. The Cramonds had come from Forfar in Fifeshire, Scotland, to Warrnambool in Victoria when gold was discovered in Victoria, in 1851, providing essentials to the miners heading for the gold fields. They established a general store – Cramond and Dixon – which was the forerunner to Cramond and Stark in Toowoomba, and Alan and Stark (now Myer) in Brisbane.

Stuart Cramond came to Brisbane when Humphry was five years of age, to become the Deputy Manager of the State Government Insurance Office, the precursor of Suncorp. Sadly, Stuart died when Humphry was only nine years old. Humphry attended Nudgee College in Brisbane where he participated with enthusiasm in rugby, cricket, and handball, and was editor of the Nudgee Collegian.

After school, he enrolled in Medicine, graduating in 1947. As a student, he was not only editor of “Semper Floreat and Trepine”, but the President of the University of Queensland Medical Society (UQMS) when the students took Queensland Health to court – and won – obtaining award conditions for hospital doctors which remained operative until recently, with a 54-hour week averaged over 4 weeks, i.e. no overtime until the doctor had worked for 216 hours during that period.

Dr Cramond’s medical internship was at the Brisbane Hospital – now the Royal Brisbane and Women’s Hospital. After several years, he moved to Dalby in 1950 where he served the community initially as medical superintendent of the local hospital and then as a country GP for over 35 years. However, his commitment to this



community reached much further than the duties of a country GP with activities including serving on the Hospital Board, Chairman of the local medical association, serving on the Dalby Town Council as Alderman for 21 years and as Deputy Mayor for 15 years. He was also president of the Queensland Branch of the Australian Medical Association 1984–1985.

Humphry and his first wife, Margaret Stalcross, had four children. Tragically, his two youngest children died when they were very young and Margaret died whilst awaiting cardiac surgery. Their other two children, Gordon and Elizabeth, now have their own growing families.

On the 24th of April 1985, Humphry Cramond and Tess Brophy were married with a Nuptial Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians, in Hendra, Brisbane. Humphry and Tess knew each other from medical student days, when Tess was one of the women students who served afternoon tea at Humphry’s graduation ceremony. After their marriage, Humphry decided to move from Dalby to Brisbane to support Tess in her career in pain medicine, palliative care and anaesthesia. At the age of 59 years, this was the first time Tess was married; she would always say, “He was

worth waiting for”. Humphry continued as a general practitioner in Brisbane, retiring only recently.

Humphry Cramond continued to have many interests outside of family and medicine. From 1988, he was a member of the Order of Malta, a lay religious Catholic Order of Chivalry, whose members were committed to helping the poor and the sick. Tess was already a founding member of the Brisbane branch of the Order of Malta since 1974. This charitable involvement prompted projects such as health and education in Timor Leste, the Christian Brothers Callan Service in Papua-New Guinea and Mount Olivet Hospital.

Humphry received recognition as a Member of the British Empire and was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia for his service to medicine and the community.

His other major and ongoing interest was with Nudgee College. He actively supported the Nudgee Old Boys Association (1940 to mid-1990s), acting as President of the Association in 1991. He received the highest honour that can be bestowed from the Association – the Signum Fidei Award. Humphry continued to support Tess in her work in pain management, and

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actively encouraged her endeavours to advance pain medicine as a speciality in Queensland, nationally and internationally. Humphry and Tess regularly participated in numerous pain education evenings and conferences together, including the Australian Pain Society's Annual Scientific Meeting.

Humphry and Tess shared their faith, their commitment to family and the community, and the medical profession that they loved and served, and which served them back.

Dr Humphry Cramond will be greatly missed by many, and none more than his Tess.



Need help for your pain?

By Agency for Clinical Innovation

If you or someone you know has been living with pain that refuses to go away and it is affecting your daily life, there is now information and support resources available within local libraries across NSW and online.

Dr Chris Hayes, pain expert and Co-Chair of the Agency for Clinical Innovation (ACI) Pain Management Network explained that

chronic pain is pain that persists for more than three months or beyond the usual time for tissue healing.

"Chronic pain is real, it's not imagined. It affects one in five people living in NSW and interferes with people's lives, work and relationships," said Dr Hayes.

In 2011 the Minister for Health launched the NSW Pain Management Plan which outlined a series of actions to improve pain management services in NSW.

The ACI was tasked with developing evidence-based resources including free online learning modules and fact sheets to

improve access to specialty information for consumers and healthcare professionals working in GP practices and the community.

"The overall aim of the ACI's initiative has been to empower consumers and healthcare professionals working in the community with the latest scientific knowledge to understand chronic pain and how to better manage it," Dr Hayes said.

The ACI partnered with Chronic Pain Australia and the University of Queensland to conduct a needs analysis on consumer resources and worked with Medicare Locals across NSW to advertise opportunities for people with chronic pain to provide input.

This research identified that the most sustainable and accessible solution was to develop a website with printable resources and tools for people with pain and the healthcare professionals who look after them.

Dr Nigel Lyons, Chief Executive of the ACI, explained that the ACI's Need help for your pain website was formally launched by the Minister for Health Jillian Skinner on

25 March 2014 and is already improving access to evidence-based information on chronic pain.

"The website offers practical tools and resources, as well as inspiring personal stories of how lives have changed using self-management strategies and working in partnership with their healthcare professionals to better understand their pain and learn how to reduce it," said Dr Lyons.



Photo L to R: Peter McLeod, Web Services Manager, ACI, Jenni Johnson, Manager Pain Management Network, ACI, Chris Hayes, Co-Chair Pain Management Network, ACI, Hon Jillian Skinner NSW Minister for Health, Fiona Hodson, Project Officer Pain Management Network, ACI

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Through partnerships with the State Library and the Pharmacy Guild of NSW, the ACI is making sure that the latest scientific knowledge on pain is also being shared with NSW public libraries and pharmacies across the state.

“None of this would have been possible without the partnerships we have developed, and the generous commitment of consumers, healthcare professionals, general practitioners and expert pain specialists who have worked together to make this happen,” said Dr Lyons.

The ACI website builds on the latest scientific knowledge on how to manage chronic pain. Visitors to the website can access:

- Interactive learning and self-management modules for adolescents with chronic pain
- Online resources that promote self-management to help people to retrain their brain's response to chronic pain
- Inspirational videos of people young and old sharing their experience of how adopting an evidence-based approach to pain made a real difference to their daily lives
- Practical tools and resources to help people with chronic pain to improve daily sleep and mood, guidance on the role of pain medication, and the importance of healthy lifestyles
- A health professional toolkit that includes assessment and management tools for doctors and healthcare professionals working in the community, factsheets for patients, and information on NSW Pain Clinics.

Visit the ACI Chronic Pain website at: www.aci.health.nsw.gov.au/chronic-pain or scan the QR code below.



Pain Management Network

Need help for your pain?

www.aci.health.nsw.gov.au/chronic-pain

Pain Management Network

Does chronic pain affect someone you know?

www.aci.health.nsw.gov.au/chronic-pain

- Ask your Doctor
- Ask your Health Professional
- Ask your Pharmacist
- Ask your Librarian

Information & Downloads for...

People in Pain:

- ▶ Pain Management Strategies & Videos
- ▶ Information, Handy Hints & Useful Links
- ▶ Pain Series for Young People
- ▶ Spinal Cord Injury Resources

Health Professionals:

- ▶ Clinician Support & Management Tools
- ▶ Statewide Pain Referral Information

NSW Health | ACI NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation

SCAN THE QR CODE

About the Agency for Clinical Innovation

The Agency for Clinical Innovation (ACI) is a NSW Government agency that engages healthcare professionals, managers and consumers to design and implement new models of patient care for the NSW Health system.

The ACI Pain Management Network is focused on improving the support provided to people with chronic pain across NSW.

www.aci.health.nsw.gov.au/networks/pain-management

A further [Media Release from Jillian Skinner MP](#) NSW Minister for Health and Medical Research is available on the APS website.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Recent Publications

Thank you to Associate Professor Helen Slater of Curtin University, and her fellow APS colleagues who have contributed to the following two publications:

1. Slater H, Briggs AM, Smith AJ, Bunzli S, Davies SJ, Quintner JL. Implementing Evidence-Informed Policy into Practice for Health Care Professionals Managing People with Low Back Pain in Australian Rural Settings: A Preliminary Prospective Single-Cohort Study Pain Med, 2014

The inter-disciplinary Spinal Pain Implementation working group (Health Networks, Department of Health, WA) prioritised the funding and delivery of gPEP and modified-STEPS to Health Care Professionals and consumers, in 4 regional centres over a single weekend during 2010-2011 (Geraldton, Kununurra, Albany and Kalgoorlie)

This publication reports the impact of the modified STEPS program for consumers (6 hours only; no individual assessments). The focus was spinal pain with expansion to cover persistent pain (in general) by the interactive group process. These consumers reported general practitioners (GPs) as their primary source of information. Respondents expressed dissatisfaction

about the breadth of information provided and limitation of strategies to short-term relief. Respondents highlighted an inadequate workforce capacity in rural areas and extra burden to travel to Perth. Some individuals also relied on the internet and word-of-mouth information.

Co-ordinated by Arthritis and Osteoporosis (WA) and Rural Health West with programs delivered by members of Fremantle Hospital Pain Medicine Unit and research by Curtin University.

2. Helen Slater, Andrew M. Briggs, Kim Watkins, Jason Chua, Anne J. Smith. Translating Evidence for Low Back Pain Management into a Consumer-Focussed Resource for Use in Community Pharmacies: A Cluster-Randomised Controlled Trial; PLoS One. 2013 Aug 20;8(8)

In 2010-2013 the inter-disciplinary Spinal Pain Implementation working group (Health Networks, Department of Health, WA) supported this cluster-randomised controlled trial to determine the effectiveness of an evidence-based, pamphlet intervention in improving low back pain (LBP)-related beliefs among pharmacy consumers. The results indicate that community pharmacies provided a feasible primary care portal for implementing evidence-based information. The associated improvement in work-related LBP-beliefs for consumers receiving the pamphlet

suggests this simple intervention may be a useful component of care.

Thank you also to Dr Stephanie Davies from the Pain Medicine Unit at Fremantle Hospital, WA, and her fellow APS colleagues who have contributed to the following publication:

Davies SJ, Hogg MN, Visser EJ. Time to reconsider steroid injections in the spine?-[2]. Medical Journal of Australia: 199 (11) <http://dx.doi.org/10.5694/mja13.11206> (letter)

Comment on the Harris and Buchbinder article published in Med J Aust. 2013: Aug 19;199(4):237 on interventional pain procedures. This letter highlights that facet joint injections and local anaesthetic medial branch blocks are performed as a diagnostic interventions to provide diagnostic information prior to consideration of medial branch neurotomies. Also, provides commentary on lumbar transforaminal epidural steroid injections, which can be effective for the treatment of radicular pain associated with disc protrusion (NNT 2.7).

Have you had an article accepted for publication this year?

Reminder that we are keen that members inform us when they have publications so that this can be shared with your APS colleagues. Please send the newsletter editor (via the APS Secretariat, aps@apsoc.org.au) the title, authors and reference (i.e. the journal, volume etc.) of the article, preferably with a short explanatory note to give our readers the gist of the article, e.g. the conclusions part of the abstract; if you would like to supply a short commentary on the article, even better.

Will Howard, Editor

CURRENT SCHOLARS

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PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Topic	Mundipharma #3-APS-APRA Audrey Wang "An investigation of the role of the brain in recovery from CRPS, using fMRI"
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Topic	Janssen Cilag #2-APS-APRA Sarah Kissiwa "Pain induced synaptic plasticity in the amygdala"
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Topic	APS #5-APRA James Kang "Epigenetic influence in cognitive impairments in chronic neuropathic pain"



Personalised Pain Management: Quest for the Holy Grail

2014 Australian Pain Society
34th Annual Scientific Meeting
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SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Topical Sessions	1 August 2013
Free Papers & Posters	31 October 2013
Early Bird Registration	14 February 2014

Online Membership Applications

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The next stage of our new online membership system has been launched.

Please encourage your colleagues to [apply online here.](#)

PAST SCHOLARS

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PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Completed Topic	CSL #1-APS-APRA Lara Winter 2004 “Antinociceptive properties of the neurosteroid alphadolone”
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Completed Topic	CSL #2-APS-APRA Anne Pitcher 2006 “Conditional comfort: A grounded theory study in nursing approaches to acknowledging and responding to pain in nursing home residents with dementia”
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Completed Topic	Mundipharma #1-APS-APRA Kathryn Nicholson Perry 2007 “Pain Management Programmes in Spinal Cord Injury: Cognitive Behavioural Pain Management Programmes in the Management of Sub-acute and Chronic Spinal Cord Injury Pain”
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Completed Topic	APS #2-APRA Debbie Tsui 2008 “Preclinical studies in painful diabetic neuropathy”
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Completed Topic	Mundipharma #2-APS-APRA Zoe Brett 2011 “Individual differences in vulnerability to the development of chronic pain following injury”
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Completed Topic	APS #3-APRA Susan Slatyer 2013 “Caring for patients experiencing episodes of severe pain in an acute care hospital: Nurses’ perspective”
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Completed Topic	Janssen Cilag #1-APS-APRA Mary Roberts Due 2013 “An investigation of the role of sleep in chronic pain”
PhD Scholarship Sponsor Scholar Completed Topic	APS #4-APRA Amelia Edington 2013 “Defining inhibitor binding sites unique to the glycine transporter, GLYT2: A potential target for the treatment of chronic pain”

SPOTLIGHT: VISION, MISSION, AIMS OF APS



THE
AUSTRALIAN
PAIN SOCIETY

Vision:

All people will have timely recognition, prevention and management of pain across their lifespan.

Mission:

The Australian Pain Society is a multidisciplinary body aiming to relieve pain and related suffering through leadership in clinical practice, education, research and public advocacy.

Aims:

- To promote the provision of healthcare services for pain management
- To promote equity of access to pain management services
- To actively engage with key stakeholders and contribute to their activities
- To provide a contemporary forum to discuss issues relating to pain research and treatment
- To foster and support a broad spectrum of pain-related research
- To share and promote the expertise of all disciplines involved in the treatment of pain
- To promote the formulation and use of Evidence Based Guidelines as they relate to pain
- To foster and support the prevention of persistent pain
- To promote and facilitate pain related education for health professionals and the community
- To promote the development and use of standards and outcomemeasures in everyday clinical practice



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2014 Australian Pain Society 34th Annual Scientific Meeting



IMPORTANT DATES

Free Papers & Posters **31 October 2013**

Registration Opens **November 2013**

Early Bird Registration **14 February 2014**

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Dr Jane Ballantyne trained in Anaesthesia at



John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, then moved to Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard University, Boston in 1990. She was appointed Chief

of the Division of Pain Medicine at MGH in 1999. Dr Ballantyne became University of Washington (UW) Medicine Professor of Education and Research in 2011. Her research focuses on development of opioid management tools utilising electronic outcomes assessment and rapid learning methodology. She edits several leading journals & is a widely published author.

Professor Jeffrey Mogil is currently the E.P.



Taylor Professor of Pain Studies and the Canada Research Chair in the Genetics of Pain at McGill University in Montreal,

Canada. He has authored over 170 journal articles and book chapters since 1992, and he has given over 220 invited lectures in that same period. He currently serves as a Section Editor at the journal *Pain*, and he chaired the Scientific Program Committee of the 13th World Congress on Pain held in 2010.

Dr Andrew Moore graduated with a Doctor



of Science from the University of Oxford and has over 30 years experience in biomedical research. He is currently Director of Pain

Research, Nuffield Department of Anaesthetics, Oxford, and Chairman of the International Association for the Study of Pain Systematic Review and Evidence special interest group. Dr Moore is founding editor of the evidence based journal - *Bandolier* and has contributed 500+ scientific and clinical publications & 200 systematic reviews including 80 Cochrane reviews.

TOPICS

- Pain and genetics
- Low back pain
- Visceral pain
- Opioid prescription issues
- Pain in older persons
- Understanding self-management
- Pathophysiology of nerve compression
- Osteoarthritis
- Orofacial pain
- Evidence and pain



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You are invited to attend the Pain in Childhood Pre-Conference Workshop

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13 - 16 April 2014
Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart



When: Sunday 13 April
2014, 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm

Where: Grand Chancellor
Hotel, Hobart

Cost: \$110 per person –

Early Bird Deadline:
14 February 2014

This workshop is intended for clinicians from all disciplines with an interest in pain in childhood.

Presenters include Canadian clinical psychologist Dr Christine Chambers

Topics will include:

Developmental neurophysiology of pain in childhood

Pain assessment in childhood – what's new?

Paediatric analgesic pharmacology – guidelines and controversies

...plus much more!

To register or for further information please visit,
www.dccconferences.com.au/aps2014/Pre-Conference_Workshops

You are invited to attend the Physiotherapy in Pain Management Pre-Conference

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Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart



When: Sunday 13 April 2014, 1.30 pm – 5.00 pm

Where: Grand Chancellor Hotel, Hobart

Cost: \$110 per person –
Early Bird Deadline: 14 February 2014

This workshop is designed for any Physiotherapist who works with people in pain.

Topics will include:

The role of specific Psychological interventions in pain management

Update on the ever-changing range of medications used in pain management

What educational resources available to Physiotherapists

...plus much more!

To register or for further information please visit,
www.dccconferences.com.au/aps2014/Pre-Conference_Workshops

You are invited to attend the Acute Pain Day Pre-Conference Workshop The Acute Pain Service at the bedside: Optimising patient care

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This workshop is aimed at anyone with an interest in acute pain management. The focus is to emphasise the role of the acute pain service from the bedside management of difficult patients through to discharge and beyond.

When: Sunday 13 April 2014, 8.45 am – 5.00 pm

Where: Grand Chancellor Hotel, Hobart

Cost: \$165 per person –
Early Bird Deadline: 14 February 2014

To register or for further information please visit,
www.dconferences.com.au/aps2014/Pre-Conference_Workshops

You are invited to attend the Fundamentals of Pain Pre-Conference Workshop

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Interested in Pain? Where do you start?

If you are a nurse, physiotherapist, psychologist or GP, this workshop will train you in the basics of pain medicine, including the mechanisms of pain, the factors that influence the perception of pain and finally, the agents to treat pain.

When: Sunday 13 April 2014, 8.30 am – 5.00 pm

Where: Grand Chancellor Hotel, Hobart

Cost: \$165 per person –
Early Bird Deadline: 14 February 2014

To register or for further information please visit,
www.dconferences.com.au/aps2014/Pre-Conference_Workshops

The Neuromodulation Society of Australia and New Zealand would like to present the **9th Annual Scientific Meeting Neuromodulation-Over The Horizon**

When: Sunday 13 April 2014, 8.20 am – 5.00 pm

Where: Grand Chancellor Hotel, Hobart

Cost: \$190 per person

Early Bird Deadline: 14 February 2014
Followed by **Society Dinner** at Smolt Restaurant

International Speakers:

Dr Ganesan Barani – UK | Stuart Bruce – USA | Professor John Chae – USA | Dr KY Ho – Singapore | Professor Dirk de Ridder – Belgium/NZ | Dr Thomas Smith – UK | Dr Thomas Yearwood – USA

A great range of topics will be covered.

Please visit the website for more information and to register,
www.dconferences.com.au/aps2014/NSANZ_ASM

Are you living with pain? Do you have an interest in pain? Do you want to have a say on pain services?

LIVING WELL WITH PAIN

Consumer Symposium & Forum

When:
Sunday 13th April
Where:
Grand Chancellor,
Hobart
Time:
1.00pm to 4.30pm
Tickets:
\$15/\$10 Concession

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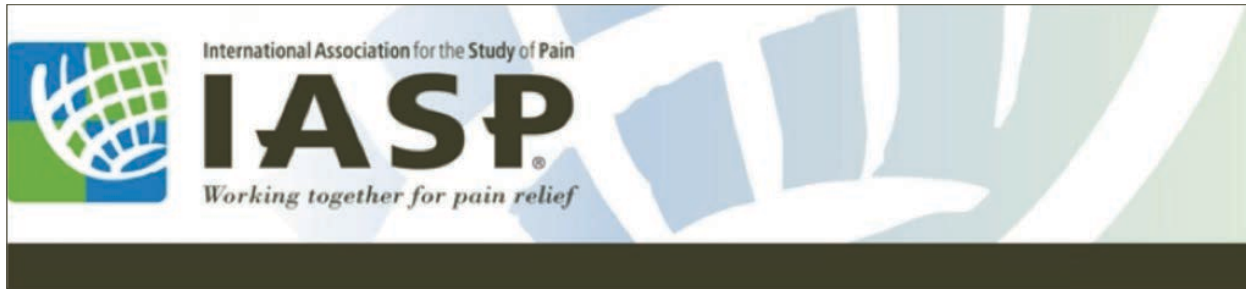
Topics

- Complex and Chronic Disease
- Cancer / Haematology
- Pain, Palliative and Supportive Care
- Paediatrics
- Mental Health – removing the stigma
- Primary and Acute Care
- Professional Issues and Leadership
- Research

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'Save the date'



Plan now for the World Congress on Pain

Join the world's top scientists and clinicians in Buenos Aires, October 6–11, to discover, explore, and share advances in the study and treatment of pain. Plan today to attend IASP's World Congress on Pain—the premier professional forum for pain research, clinical practice, and education.

Big Ideas From Top Experts

A diverse program of [Plenary Lectures](#) will address new scientific developments and the ways these advances will affect how you manage and treat pain. Learn about innovations affecting the work of physicians, psychologists, dentists, nurses, physical therapists, pharmacists, and other professionals.



Act Fast on Poster Abstracts, Financial Aid, and Registration Submit your [poster abstract](#) and financial aid application right away! The deadline for both is March 7.

Congress registration opens late February! Check the IASP website for registration information and rates.

Financial Aid

Financial aid to attend the Congress is only available to IASP members from developing countries, countries with currency exchange restrictions, or trainees in developed countries. Take advantage of this great opportunity offered to IASP members. View complete guidelines for financial aid applications.

We look forward to seeing you in Buenos Aires!

Visit us online or follow us on Facebook or Twitter for regular updates on the Congress:

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2014 Australian Pain Society 34th
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channel



FYI

Items of interest for our members:

- **Painaustralia eNewsletter** latest issue, available online at <http://www.painaustralia.org.au/media-news/e-news.html>
- **Facility Directory Update**
Please advise the APS Secretariat of any updates so we may endeavour to keep the Facility Directory current: <http://www.apsoc.org.au/facility-directory>
- **Secret World of Pain**
Don't miss this informative BBC documentary featuring Professor Irene Tracey. See it now on our list of Video and Weblinks: <http://www.apsoc.org.au/useful-links>
- **New APS Online Membership System**
Please remember to update your member profile on the new online membership system to ensure we can stay in touch: <https://www.apsoc.org.au/Profile.aspx>
- **AMA (SA) President Opinion Piece in Adelaide Advertiser**
Online link to full article published 20FEB14: <http://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/opinion/patricia-montanaras-many-urgent-health-challenges-need-to-be-tackled-so-that-no-one-is-left-behind/story-fni6unxq-1226833128053>
- **Chronic Pain ABC 7:30 Report**
SAPlease see this link to a recent news item broadcast on 21FEB14: <http://www.abc.net.au/news/2014-02-21/chronic-pain/5276716>
- **AMA (SA) Key Priorities for Health 2014 and beyond**
Full document download via our website: http://www.apsoc.org.au/PDF/Publications/AMA_SA_election_2014_Health_Priorities.pdf
- **The Pain Toolkit Newsletter (UK) Spring 2014 issue** available at: http://www.apsoc.org.au/PDF/Publications/Pain_Toolkit_Spring_newsletter_q1_2014.pdf
- **Chronic Pain Channel 9 News**
Please see this link to a recent news item broadcast on 25MAR14 regarding the launch of the ACI Pain Management Network: <http://video.news.ninemsn.com>
- **Pain Management Network**
website developed by the NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation (ACI) and launched on 25 March 2014: <http://www.apsoc.org.au/useful-links>

NEW MEMBERS

New Member list at 28 March 2014:

Title	First Name	Surname	Discipline Group
Dr	John	Akers	Anaesthesia
Dr	Adam	Black	Anaesthesia
Mrs	Corena	Caltabiano	Physiotherapy
Dr	Suzanne	Cartwright	Anaesthesia
Mr	Anthony	Cole	Psychology
Mr	Darren	Doherty	Physiotherapy
Ms	Danielle	Dowell	Pharmaceutical
Mr	Michael	Fleischmann	Osteopathy
Miss	Bronwyn	Gulliver	Exercise Physiologist
Mr	Nalin	Gunawardana	General Practice
Dr	James	Jarman	Anaesthesia
Dr	Rebecca	Martin	Anaesthesia
Ms	Andrea	Mastrogiannis	Pharmaceutical
Ms	Sarah	Millar	General Practice
Miss	Valentina	Milosescu	General Practice
Ms	Laura	Morrison	Physiotherapy
Mrs	Caroline	Morton	Physiotherapy
Ms	Bronwyn	Munro	Education
Mr	Daniel	Stone	General Practice
Dr	Kylie	Tucker	Science Research

APS Membership Renewals 2014



THE AUSTRALIAN PAIN SOCIETY
www.apsoec.org.au

Renewal notice email reminders for 2014 were sent to members last November.

[Login here](#) and renew online via the APS Website.

Thank you for your continued support and membership of the APS.

Before renewing online, please ensure you **update your member profile.**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>11-12 Apr 2014 Australian Medicare Local Alliance <i>Pain Management Symposia - Melbourne</i> Bayview on the Park, Melbourne VIC http://amlalliance.com.au/events/pain-management-symposia/pain-management-symposia-melbourne</p>	<p>13-16 Apr 2014 Australian Pain Society 34th Annual Scientific Meeting <i>Personalised Pain Management: Quest for the Holy Grail</i> Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart TAS http://www.dconferences.com.au/aps2014/</p>	<p>13 Apr 2014 PainAustralia <i>Living Well with Pain Consumer Symposium & Forum - Half Day event</i> Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart TAS http://trybooking.com/EERV</p>
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<p>4 May 2014 Faculty of Pain Medicine Refresher Course Day <i>Pain at the cutting edge: Surgery and pain</i> Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre, Singapore http://www.fpm.anzca.edu.au/events/2014-refresher-course-day</p>	<p>5-9 May 2014 Combined Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA) Annual Scientific Meeting and Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (RACS) Annual Scientific Congress <i>Working together for our patients</i> Sands Expo and Convention Center, Marina Bay Sands Singapore http://www.racsanzca2014.com</p>	<p>18-21 May 2014 Royal Australasian College of Physicians RACP Congress 2014 <i>Future Directions in Health</i> Auckland Convention Centre, Auckland New Zealand http://www.racpcongress2014.com</p>
<p>23-24 May 2014 Australian Medicare Local Alliance <i>Pain Management Symposia - Perth</i> Rendezvous Perth Central, Perth WA http://amlalliance.com.au/events/pain-management-symposia/pain-management-symposia-perth</p>	<p>23-25 Jul 2014 Primary Health Care Research Conference <i>Integrating knowledge exchange to improve primary health care outcomes</i> National Convention Centre, Canberra ACT http://www.phcris.org.au/conference/</p>	<p>24-26 Jul 2014 Cancer Nurses Society of Australia 17th Winter Congress <i>Cancer Nursing - Leading in a time of Change</i> Pullman Albert Park, Melbourne VIC http://www.cnsawintercongress.com.au</p>

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<p>11-12 Sep 2014 Australian Disease Management Association 10th Annual National Conference <i>CDM the 2020 Vision - Managing the Rising Tide of Chronic Conditions</i> Melbourne Convention Centre, Melbourne VIC http://www.adma.org.au/images/ConferenceFlyer2014.pdf</p>	<p>20-21 Sep 2014 New York School of Regional Anesthesia - NYSORA 13th Annual Symposium <i>Regional Anesthesia, Pain and Perioperative Medicine</i> Marriott Marquis Hotel, New York USA http://www.nysorasymposium.com</p>	<p>1-4 Oct 2014 Lievensberg Hospital, Holland <i>4th Biannual International Multidisciplinary Pain Congress</i> Van der Valk Hotel Eindhoven, Eindhoven The Netherlands http://www.paincongress.org</p>
<p>4-7 Oct 2014 Australian Society of Anaesthetists <i>National Scientific Congress 2014</i> Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre, Gold Coast QLD http://www.asa2014.com.au/</p>	<p>6-11 Oct 2014 International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP) <i>15th World Congress on Pain</i> La Rural Convention Centre, Buenos Aires Argentina http://www.iasp-pain.org/Meetings/WorldCongress.aspx?ItemNumber=714</p>	<p>9-11 Oct 2014 Royal Australian College of General Practitioners RACGP <i>GP14 Lead. Inspire.</i> Adelaide Convention Centre, Adelaide SA http://www.gpconference.com.au</p>
<p>16-18 Oct 2014 Medical Research Support - MedicReS <i>2014 World Congress on Good Medical Research</i> Marriot New York Downtown, New York USA https://www.medicres.org/gmr-congress-2014.html</p>	<p>3-5 Dec 2014 Australian Pain Management Association and Palliative Care Queensland <i>Fifty Shades of Pain: Managing complex pain across the continuum</i> Southbank Institute of Technology, Brisbane QLD http://www.painaustralia.org.au/images/pain_australia/5020Shades20of20Pain20Flyer.pdf</p>	<p>15-18 Mar 2015 Australian Pain Society 35th Annual Scientific Meeting <i>Managing Pain: From Mechanisms to Policy</i> Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, Brisbane QLD</p>
<p>31 May - 4 Jun 2015 IASP Pain in Childhood SIG and Seattle Children's Hospital Research Foundation <i>10th International Symposium on Pediatric Pain</i> TBA, Seattle Washington USA http://www.ispp2015.com</p>		

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