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THE ANZBMS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AWARD

This award is offered by the ANZBMS to support travel to attend the **IBMS Herbert Fleisch Workshop**, to be held in Brugge, Belgium, from 16 to 18 March 2014 (http://www.ibmsonline.org/p/cm/ld/fid=202).

The objective of this workshop is to provide a Gordon-conference style forum for students, post-docs and early stage principal investigators to present work in progress, discuss thoroughly and network with peers, and get constructive feedback from experienced senior scientists.

The aim of this award is to facilitate travel to participate in what the ANZBMS believes to be an excellent opportunity for the development of emerging researchers within bone and mineral-related fields. The award is open to financial members of ANZBMS who have already registered for, and submitted an abstract to attend the workshop. Up to three (3) awards valued at \$1,000 (AUD, GST inclusive) each will be awarded, based on application merit and applicant track record.

Deadline: COB Thursday 5 December 2013

Further information and application form:

https://www.anzbms.org.au/grants-and-awards.asp

The 24th Annual Meeting of the Australian and New Zealand Bone and Mineral Society

Sunday 7 September – Wednesday 10 September 2014 Millennium Hotel, Queenstown, New Zealand



ASBMR Young Investigator Award

Congratulations to Joshua Lewis who received a Young Investigator Award at ASBMR, with his supervisor Richard Prince.



Calendar

7-9 November 2013 13th International Conference on Cancer-Induced Bone Disease, **Miami, Florida** USA Website: www.ibmsonline.org

17-20 November 2013

ASMR National Scientific Conference Ballarat Lodge, Victoria http://asmr-nsc.org.au/

20-22 November 2013

Frontiers in Skeletal Biology
Garvan Institute, Sydney
http://www.garvan.org.au/symposium/frontiers

2-3 December 2013 2nd Annual Hip Fracture Management Conference, Melbourne http://www.healthcareconferences/healthcare/hip-fracture-management-

Scholarships to qualified clinicians to undertake Research Higher Degree (PhD or MPhil) at the University of Queensland Diamantina Institute.

Biomedical science is on the cusp of making major breakthroughs in the significant human diseases that affect society on a global scale. The emergence of rapidly developing technologies has afforded substantial knowledge generation in the many disciplines encompassed by biomedical science. However, with knowledge generation has come the awareness that an integrated approach to solving medical problems is now paramount. Nowadays, most of the discoveries and new knowledge are typically the result of non-clinicians and may not arise directly from observed clinical problems. Its translation to the clinic, the production of clinically relevant research with direct patient outcome, is inevitably reliant on clinician involvement.

Given the explosion of knowledge generation and sophistication of research technologies, clinicians need to be equipped with the knowledge and skills to complex scientific methods and become even more discerning to the needs and problems of the patients under their care. Put succinctly, science needs to engage with the clinic in order to target and translate research findings to the patient and fight disease. There is, however, a globally recognised shortage of scientifically engaged and qualified clinicians capable of bridging basic research and clinical practice. As medical training increases in length, this problem has become more severe, and unless addressed will greatly reduce the dividend that should come from the investments being made in preclinical, basic, biomedical research.

The University of Queensland Diamantina Institute (UQDI) is a modern research facility where clinical and basic science converge in the translational research of cancer and disorders of immune regulation. Headed by Professor Matthew Brown, the Institute is host to over 250 researchers, students and support staff. It lays claim to global, world-changing discoveries such as the world's first cervical cancer vaccine.

UQDI is part of the Translational Research Institute (TRI). UQDI and the TRI are based at the Princess Alexandra Hospital in Brisbane enabling UQDIs strong clinical interactions. TRI is an Australian-first and will see Australia play a leading role in international efforts to address cancers, osteoporosis, diabetes, arthritis and other autoimmune diseases. As one of the southern hemisphere's largest facilities of its kind, TRI is one of only a few places worldwide where new biopharmaceuticals and treatments can be researched, discovered, manufactured, and clinically tested in one location. The Translational Research Institute - 'translating laboratory success into benefits for patients' - is a major step forward in growing Australia's research capacity.

The TRI building will house up to 900 researchers and support staff. State of the art facilities includes physical containment level 2 (PC2) and level 3 (PC3) laboratories, a vivarium, a Cell Therapies clean room facility, staff support spaces, a large lecture theatre and advanced education facilities. The associated and adjacent biopharmaceuticals facility houses a pilot drug manufacturing facility to bring discoveries to pilot commercialisation.

12-15 December 2013 IOF Regionals – 4th Asia Pacific Osteoporosis Meeting, Hong Kong Website: http://www.iofbonehealth.org/hongkong-2013

28-31 March 2014

The Eight Clare Bone Meeting Clare, SA

http://www.themeetingpeople.com.au/CLARE

3-7 May 2014

ECE 2014

Wroclaw, Poland http://www.ece2014.org/

17-20 May 2014

41st European Calcified Tissue Society Congress Prague, Czech Republic http://www.ectscongress.org/2014/

21-24 June 2014

ICE/ENDO 2014

Chicago, USA

https://www.endocrine.org/meetings/ice-endo-2014/endo-2014#/nav/

25-28 August 2014

ESA/SRB ASM

Melbourne Convention Centre

http://www.esa-srb.org.au/

27-29 August 2014

ADS/ADEA ASM

Melbourne Convention Centre

www.ads-adea.org.au

7-10 September 2014

24th ASM of ANZBMS

Queenstown, New Zealand

https://www.anzbms.org.au/

4-7 October 2014

ASBMR 2014

Houston, Texas, USA

http://www.asbmr/meetings

16-19 October 2014

7th International conference on Osteoporosis and Bone research We would like to actively bridging the gap between the clinic and research with the recruitment of newly qualified clinicians into research higher degree training programs at the University of Queensland Diamantina Institute (UQDI). In order to do so, we are offering substantial scholarships that we hope are suitably financial substantial to compensate for the loss of income these clinicians will inevitably incur. We have four scholarships available that each provides a \$25,000 stipend to suitable candidates over the course of their research higher degree (RHD) studies to produce a new generation of clinician-scientists with a focus on translational research. This will be in addition to any University, Hospital, Commonwealth or Philanthropic scholarships they might also be awarded. We currently envisage most participants in this scheme will undertake MPhil studies which can be completed in 1.5-2yrs although we are also keen to take on students who wish to commit to PhD studies.

We are therefore writing to yours and other clinical organisations with whom our research interests strongly align. We would very much appreciate if you could aid us in our search for potential clinician-researchers by advertising these opportunties amongst your membership.

Further information about our research focus, potential projects and details of this scheme can be found on our website: www.uqdi.uq.edu.au, or contact me (Gethin Thomas: gethin.thomas@uq.edu.au or 07 3443 7048)

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Please do not hesitate to enquire further you have any questions.

Regards,

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www.csobmr.org.cn/2014

5-8 March 2015

ENDO 2015

San Diego, CA, USA

https://www.endocrine.org/meetings/endoannual-meeting-related-pages/past-and-futureendo-meetings

9-12 October 2015

ASBMR 2015

Seattle, Washington, USA

http://www.asbmr/meetings

The first 2013 meetings Sydney Bone Group meeting will be held on the **Wednesday 6th November 2013**.

The Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron Shell Cove Room, Top Floor 33 Peel Street, Kirribilli (Parking available underneath, free of charge)

Co-conveners for the 2013 SBG are: Hala Zreiqat (hala.zreiqat@sydney.edu.au) and Katherine Benson (katherinebenson@iinet.net.au)

Wednesday 6th November 2013 Time: 6:00 pm drinks for a 6:30 pm start

Presentations:

Genomic and functional elucidation of the disease process in ankylosing spondylitis - beyond GWAS Gethin Thomas

A case of sarco-osteoporosis: More serious than we thought

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RSVP: We will dine during the talks, so if people could get back to me by <u>Thursday 31st October</u> so that I can confirm numbers with the club, I'd be very grateful.

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