# **ANZBMS e-News**





## Australian and New Zealand Bone and Mineral Society releases widely endorsed Position Paper on Secondary Fracture Prevention: A Call to Action.



On 11 May 2015, the Australian and New Zealand Bone and Mineral Society launched its pivotal Position Paper on Secondary Fracture Prevention, calling for radical change in how people who have suffered a fragility fracture are being managed.

#### **Download position paper**

Download ABC Story- Osteoporosis: Patients suffering unnecessary fractures due to missed diagnoses, doctors say

Joint ANZBMS, MEPSA and MBSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting 1-4 November 2015, Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart, Tasmania Abstract deadline and early bird registration closes: 31 August 2015

Registration now open: http://www.anzbmsconference.com/registration.asp

Abstract submission now open: http://www.anzbmsconference.com/abstracts.asp

### Confirmed international invited speakers

Mike Briggs (Newcastle University, UK) Henry Kronenberg (MGH & Harvard Medical School, USA) Lai Guan Ng (ASTAR, Singapore) Johanne Martel-Pelletier (University of Montreal, CA) Jean-Pierre Pelletier (University of Montreal, CA) Mariusz Ratajczak (University of Louisville, USA) Jerry Turnbull (University of Liverpool, UK) Marian Young (NIH, USA)



## Australian Medical and Health Research funding

The current economic climate and the projected trajectory of funding for biomedical research pose unprecedented challenges and uncertainty to the Australian research community. As the premier advocate for bone and mineral research in Australasia, the Australian and New Zealand Bone & Mineral Society has already taken action by alerting influential state and federal politicians to this important issue. **However, we need the help of every single member to make our concerns heard and accounted for in Canberra.** 

This letter is a 'Call-to-Action' for all ANZBMS members to respond head on to the ongoing research funding crisis by making individual submissions directly to cabinet and/or your local MPs. Please use the template letter provided in the <u>link below</u> to ensure that your voice is heard and action occurs. Your participation is of pivotal importance as it not only underpins the very fabric of our society but is vital to the sustainability of our basic and clinical member base, now and in the future.

When you write your letter, please remember that:

- A letter like this is has more impact if it comes from your home address;
- Individually addressed (printed) letters to relevant members of Cabinet and Shadow Cabinet, and your local MP are most effective; a list of names and addresses is provided below.
- If you don't have time to do individual addressing, send the letter to your local MP and cc to the ministerial email contact list below. The letter to the PM will need to be sent through the online interface shown below (or by regular mail).

Only by making a strong and unified response can we hope to put cabinet on notice and affect change.

Your attention and prompt action on this matter would be kindly appreciated.

Yours Sincerely

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A Prof. Nathan Pavlos Chair, Research Subcommittee ANZBMS

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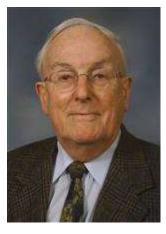
#### ANZBMS COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

The new term for ANZBMS Council (2015-2017) will commence at the Annual General Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2015in Tasmania. The new President for this 2 year term will be Professor Emma Duncan. Nominations are needed for President-elect, Treasurer and Council Member. Nomination deadline: 21<sup>st</sup> July 2015

#### **DOWNLOAD NOMINATION FORM**

#### Obituary

#### Vale - Alwyn Michael PARFITT - 1930-2015



Michael Parfitt died at home last week in Little Rock, Arkansas.

The Endocrine / Bone community of Australia first met Michael when he came from UCH, London to the Department of Medicine at the University of Queensland in 1959.

As one of his undergraduate students, and later his Registrar as a Physician trainee I admired him for his brilliant, incisive intellect, his knowledge and his physicianly example. Michael and his colleague Martyn Lloyd were the mentors who led a bunch of us in Brisbane into the developing field of Endocrinology at that time, and particularly stimulated our interest in calcium metabolism and bone.

Michael moved to USA in 1971 continuing pioneering work in metabolic bone disease, particularly bone histo-morphometry, initially at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, then in Little Rock. He continued to publish important papers, his last of 261 listed with PubMed being in 2014.

Michael is renowned and admired by all in the field. Recognising his contributions, the ASBMR awarded him in 1997 the Frederic C. Bartter Award for outstanding clinical investigation in disorders of bone and mineral metabolism; and in 2010 the William F. Neuman Award, the oldest and most prestigious award of the society.

Those of us who attended International Medical Meetings will remember his incisive questioning of presenters, especially when, on rising to his feet, his characteristic facial tic would warn of an impending difficult question to come.

Despite distance and the years we have remained firm friends. He will be sorely missed. He is survived by his wife, Elaine and their three children.

Don Perry-Keene

#### Calendar

**17-20 June 2015** 9<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Nutritional Aspects of Osteoporosis (ISNAO 2015) Montreal, Canada Website: <u>http://www.cvent.com/events/isnao-2015-9thinternational-symposium-on-nutritional-aspects-ofosteoporosis/event-summary-7d1b628933b6460a8b12f2785db7e69f.aspx</u>

**27-30 June 2015** 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Children's Bone Health Salzburg, Austria <u>http://www.iccbh.org/</u>

**23-25 July 2015** 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of JSBMR Keio Plaza Hotel, Tokyo Website: <u>http://jsbmr.umin.jp/en/basic/</u>

**21-23 August 2015** ESA Clinical Weekend Adelaide, SA Website: <u>http://www.esaclinicalweekend.org.au/</u>

22-23 August 2015 ANZBMS Bone Densitometry Course Brisbane, QLD Website: <u>https://www.anzbms.org.au/anzbms-bone-</u> densitometry-course.asp

23-26 August 2015 ESA/SRB ASM Adelaide Convention Centre Website: <u>http://www.esa-srb.org.au/</u>

#### 2016

28 February – 1 March 2016 Herbert Fleisch Workshop 2016 Hotel Novotel Brugge Centrum Brugge, Belgium Website: http://www.ibmsonline.org/

1-4 April 2016 ENDO Boston, MA Website: <u>https://www.endocrine.org/meetings/endo-</u> annual-meetings

**30 April-4 May 2016** Australian Rheumatology Association 57<sup>th</sup> ASM Darwin, NT Website: <u>http://www.rheumatology.org.au/</u>

**21-23 July 2016** 34th Annual Meeting of JSBMR Osaka International Convention Center Website: <u>http://jsbmr.umin.jp/en/basic/</u>

**19-21 August 2016** ESA Clinical Weekend Queensland Website: <u>http://www.esaclinicalweekend.org.au/</u>

21-24 August 2016 ESA/SRB Annual Scientific Meeting Gold Coast Convention Centre Website: <u>http://www.esa-srb.org.au/</u>

**25-28 August 2016** ADS/ADEA Annual Scientific Meeting Gold Coast Convention Centre Website: <u>http://www.ads-adea.org.au/</u>

**31 August – 4th September 2016** ICE/ENDO Beijing, China Website: <u>http://www.endosociety.com/events.html</u>

**16-19 September 2016** ASBMR Annual Meeting Atlanta, Georgia, USA Website: <u>http://www.asbmr.org/meetings/annualmeetin</u> g.aspx 27-29 August 2015 ADS/ADEA ASM Adelaide Convention Centre Website: <u>http://www.ads-adea.org.au/</u>

9-12 October 2015 ASBMR 2015 Seattle, Washington, USA http://www.asbmr/meetings

**1-4 November 2015** Joint ANZBMS, MEPSA and MBSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting Hobart, Tasmania Website: <u>https://www.anzbms.org.au/</u>

#### 2017

1-4 April 2017 ENDO Orlando, Florida Website: <u>https://www.endocrine.org/meetings/endo-</u> <u>annual-meetings</u>

**17-21 June 2017** ANZBMS/IBMS Joint Meeting Brisbane, Queensland Website: <u>https://www.anzbms.org.au/</u>

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