

## **Announcement of the 2020 Annual Scientific Meeting**

We are delighted to announce that the 2020 Annual Scientific Meeting will be a joint meeting of three major scientific societies, High blood pressure Council of Australia (HBPRCA), Australian Vascular Biology Society (AVBS) and Australian Atherosclerosis Society (AAS).

Date: December 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Venue: RACV City Club, 501 Bourke Street, Melbourne

Mark your diaries now for a fantastic week of science and networking opportunities. Stay tuned for further details on our website, Twitter and FB.

## **Highlights from ASM 2019**

AAS would like to thank the members of the organising committee, Belinda Di Bartolo, Blake Cochran and Stephen Nicholls for organising such a successful meeting. AAS would also like to thank “Your Secretariat” Natasha Whitwell and her team who have done a great job in the background organization of the meeting.

### **SCOLAR Young Investigator session:**

The meeting started with SCOLAR Young Investigator session. This year’s incorporated SCOLAR Young Investigator session represented wonderful talks from Adele Richart, Peter Psaltis, Denuja Karunakaran and Karlheinz Peter.



### **2019 ASM Award Winners:**

**Finalists:** Congratulations to our ECRs and Students finalists and award winners from the 2019 ASM.



And the winners were:

**ECRs:**

Oral: Arpeeta Sharma, Oxidative stress Laboratory, Baker Heart and diabetes Institute.

Poster: Jocelyne Mulangala, SAHMRI, Vascular Research Centre, Lifelong Health Theme

**Students:**

Oral: Joint prize between Josif Vidimce (Institute) and Thomas Hansen (Institute)

Poster: Harry Carpenter (Institute)



**Poster viewing session:**

Participants had several opportunities to discuss the displayed posters during dedicated poster viewing sessions and lunch and coffee breaks. The quality of posters was very high. Congratulations to all participants on high quality poster presentations for generated scientific discussion.



**Multiple Scientific sessions:**

The scientific meeting was subdivided into several scientific themes/sessions including sessions for Mechanisms of diseases, Vascular biology and functions, Angiogenesis, diabetes and Imaging. Wonderful talks were delivered by the experts in each session including Andrew Murphy, Karlheinz Peter, Danielle Kamato, Karin Jandeleit-Dahm, Judy De Haan, Jonathan Golledge and Vlado Perkovic. The meeting also held clinical master classes on Atherosclerosis and the future landscape on the Friday afternoon. Clinical Master classes for Metabolic challenges and genetics were held on Saturday.



### Membership Renewal:

All members are reminded to renew their membership. Please ensure you renew membership ASAP and update your details. Membership renewals are due March 31<sup>st</sup> 2020. Click [HERE](#) to take you to your membership page.

### AAS Trust Travel Awards report

Jocelyne Mulangala, PhD Candidate at SAHMRI, Vascular Research Centre, Lifelong Health Theme

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge and give my sincere gratitude to being awarded the AAS Travel Trust award. This award contributed greatly towards funding my travel to attend the 2019 American Heart Association Scientific Sessions in Philadelphia, USA. This conference helped me build my networks and connect with other researchers around the world. The highlight of the conference was being able to disseminate my research findings and gain feedback and ideas which were useful for my PhD studies. As a young researcher, I enjoyed attending the ATVB Early Careers & Women's Leadership Reception at the conference. I found it very useful in networking with postdocs in different fields and I received amazing career advice. I was privileged and honoured to also receive the Paul Dudley White International Scholar Award for the highest ranked abstract from Australia, a great recognition of my PhD work.



### **The AAS Trust Travel Awards:**

The AAS Trust Travel Awards are to assist with travel to an international conference. Applicants must apply in the Round in which their conference date falls. Applicants will be able to receive funds retrospectively. Applications will be assessed together and ranked by the Trustees after the close of each Round. The successful applicants will have been ranked as the top two in each Round. Consideration will be given to the prestige of the conference, its alignment with the aims and mission of the AAS and the type of presentation that is being given (i.e. poster/oral). Applicants must show evidence of abstract acceptance and presentation type.

Eligibility criteria:

1. Must be a current financial member and a member for at least 2 consecutive years.
2. Currently enrolled in a PhD or less than 10 years postdoctoral.
3. Less than 5 years postdoctoral for medical graduates.
4. Maximum of 1 grant per person over a 5 year period



Two travel awards will be available every 6 months valued up to a maximum value of \$1500 each. Applications for Round 1 of 2020 (for travel between January 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>) close April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### Upcoming Clinical Education Masterclass

The Clinical Council of the AAS are holding our flagship Clinical Education Masterclasses. Invitation only for clinicians meeting being held at the Amora Jamison, Sydney on June 13th and 14th - save the date, registration opening soon. This meeting is primarily for clinicians.

### Upcoming Conferences

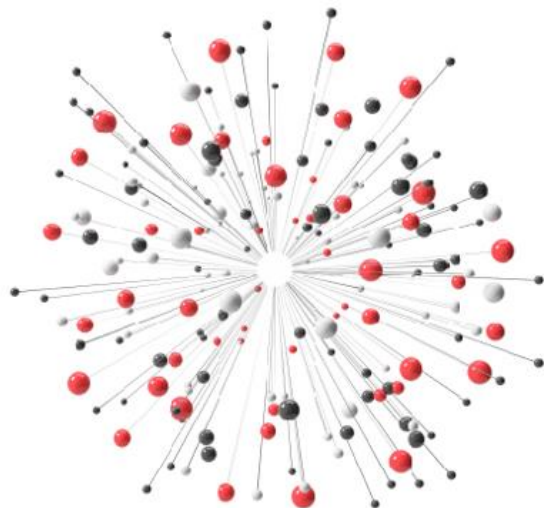
Just an update on some upcoming interesting international conferences:

ESC Congress 29 August – 2 September, Amsterdam 2020

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