

MelNet update

20 April 2023

Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer One-Day Seminar

Saturday 17 June 2023
Spencer Hotel, Auckland

This one-day seminar, hosted by MelNet with the support of NZ Skin Cancer Doctors, will improve your understanding of best practice prevention, diagnosis and management of common and rare non-melanoma skin cancers. It is also an opportunity to connect with colleagues across the country and foster new connections. All health professionals with an interest in skin cancer are invited to attend.

The cost of attending is \$250 (for nurses, registrars, students on a recognised training programme, allied health professionals) or \$375 (for medical doctors).

Spaces are limited so be sure to [register now](#).

[View the programme](#) [More information](#)

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Auckland Skin Cancer Study Day for Nurses

Friday 16 June 2023
Middlemore Hospital, Auckland

Hosted by MelNet and Clinical Nurse Specialists, this study day is targeted at primary and secondary care nurses and nursing students. It will discuss skin cancer prevention, early detection, treatment and care, helping you to better understand the journey of a skin cancer patient and the critical role of a nurse throughout this journey. The cost of attending is \$85.00.

Spaces are limited and are filling up fast. [Register now](#) to avoid disappointment.

[View the programme](#) [More information](#)

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Review of Quality Statements to Guide Melanoma Diagnosis and Treatment in NZ | Consultation now open

The National Melanoma Working Group (NMWG), with support from MelNet is reviewing the 'Quality Statements to Guide Melanoma Diagnosis and Treatment in New Zealand – second edition' to ensure the document continues to reflect latest research and best practice.

We are seeking feedback on potential amendments based on new evidence and literature that has been published since our last review a year ago. We very much appreciated the feedback we received previously from several sectors which resulted in significant changes as summarised in Appendix 5 of the second edition.

To provide feedback, please submit in writing by **5.00 pm Friday 30 June 2023** to melnet@melnet.org.nz.

For further information please see the [MelNet website](#).

Upcoming opportunities and events



Join Skin Cancer College Australasia – in Queensland or online – on 19-21 May as they look ahead to New Horizons in skin cancer medicine at the Australasian Skin Cancer Congress for 2023. Learn about emerging treatments for keratinocyte cancers, look into the future of dermoscopy and skin imaging in primary care and explore surgical options for lower legs. Plus, the Great Debate is back to discuss another controversial topic, 'Grading dysplastic naevi is a waste of time!'

[Register now](#)

[More information](#)



The AOMA Virtual Summit on Saturday 24 June will bring together healthcare professionals, researchers, and consumers in ocular melanoma to share the latest research and facilitate national and international collaborations for this rare, debilitating and often devastating cancer. The program will feature four international speakers along with influential leaders in ocular melanoma from Australian and New Zealand institutions.

[Register now \(free\)](#)

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27 August - 1 September, Queenstown

[Registration](#) will open in May.

[Research Awards](#) for 2023:

The Thermo Fisher Scientific™ Award, 2023:

Thermo Fisher Scientific™ and the Queenstown Research Week have developed this prestigious award to recognize and acknowledge the high caliber of molecular biology research in New Zealand.

[Download application form and guidelines.](#)

The illumina™ Emerging Researcher Award, 2023:

illumina™ and the Queenstown Research Week have developed this award to recognize and acknowledge an emerging researcher who uses molecular biology tools in New Zealand.

[Download application form and guidelines.](#)

The 2023 Māori Researcher Award:

This award will acknowledge an outstanding Māori researcher. Information will be available in May.

[Find out more](#)

Other upcoming opportunities and events

May	June
<p>RACS 91ST Annual Scientific Congress 1 – 5 May 2023 Adelaide, Australia Find out more</p>	<p>Certificate of Dermoscopy - Online 2 June 2023 Online Find out more</p>
<p>2023 Sydney Nurse Melanoma Symposium 4 May 2023 Sydney, Australia Find out more</p>	<p>2023 ASCO Annual Meeting 2 – 6 June 2023 Hybrid event: Chicago, USA and virtual Find out more</p>
<p>Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine 19 May 2023 Online and practical workshop in Auckland on 17 June Find out more</p>	<p>Skin Cancer Study Day for Nurses 16 June 2023 Auckland Find out more</p>
<p>24th World Dermatology Congress 22 – 23 May 2023 Barcelona, Spain Find out more</p>	<p>Advanced Skin Surgery Workshop 16 - 19 June 2023 Auckland Find out more</p>
<p>4th Edition of International Conference on Dermatology and Cosmetology 24 – 25 May 2023 Hybrid event: Tokyo, Japan and virtual Find out more</p>	<p>Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer One-Day Seminar 17 June 2023 Auckland Find out more</p>
<p>The Australasian College of Dermatologists 55th Annual Scientific Meeting 27 - 29 May 2023</p>	<p>Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery 17 June 2023</p>

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Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery

18 June 2023

Perth, Australia

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For more events see the [MelNet events calendar](#)

*** For **online courses starting any time**, please refer to [Skin Cancer Education for Primary Care Practitioners](#) ***

Recent MelNet website postings

Below is a selection of recent **news postings** on the MelNet website. Please visit the [website](#) to view all the latest news items.

[Strategies to improve adherence to skin self-examination and other self-management practices in people at high risk of melanoma](#)

[Patients with a history of atopy have fewer cutaneous melanomas than those without atopy](#)

[Rare immune-related adverse events in patients with melanoma: incidence, spectrum, and clinical presentations](#)

[Surgical outcomes of lymph node dissections for stage III melanoma after neoadjuvant systemic therapy are not inferior to upfront surgery](#)

[IFN- \$\gamma\$ signature enables selection of neoadjuvant treatment in patients with stage III melanoma](#)

[Skin cancer risk self-assessment using AI as a mass screening tool](#)

[Molecular and functional landscape of resistance to immune checkpoint blockade in melanoma](#)

[Optimal management of regional node-field for high-risk T3b and T4 primary melanomas likely achieved by combining SNB and adjuvant immunotherapy for suitable patients](#)

[High survival rates for children and adolescents with melanomas](#)

[Combination dabrafenib and trametinib versus combination nivolumab and ipilimumab for patients with advanced BRAF-mutant melanoma](#)

[Comparative expression profiling reveals molecular markers involved in progression of cutaneous melanoma towards metastasis](#)

[Late-stage metastatic melanoma emerges through a diversity of evolutionary pathways](#)

[High expression of Talin-1 is associated with tumor progression and recurrence in melanoma skin cancer patients](#)

[Prognostic model for advanced melanoma patients treated with ICI](#)



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