



MelNet update

20 July 2023

Skin Cancer in the Elderly | Registration now open

8.30 am – 12.30 pm Saturday 19 August 2023

Online course via Zoom

New Zealand continues to have the highest skin cancer incidence and mortality rates in the world, and our elderly population is most at risk. Hosted by MelNet, this online course is targeted at primary care practitioners and those who provide health care services to residential care facilities. Improve your recognition of suspicious lesions in elderly patients, better understand how melanoma and non-melanoma skin cancers should be managed in older persons and gain practical advice on managing skin cancer wounds in elderly skin cancer patients.

This course has been endorsed by RNZCGP for up to 3.5 CME credits for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) purposes.

Cost: \$80 (including GST)

[More information](#)

[Register now](#)

[See the preliminary programme](#)

Dermoscopy for beginners online course | Save the date

Saturday 16 September 2023 (morning)

Online course via Zoom

Are you keen to get into dermoscopy?

Join Adjunct Associate Professor Amanda Oakley in her online 'Dermoscopy made easy' course. This beginner course will provide an overview of the common elements of dermoscopy and the clinical and dermatoscopic characteristics of benign and malignant lesions.

Information on how to register will be available soon. In the meantime, block Saturday 16 September 2023 from 8.00 am – 12.30 pm in your diary.

This course has been endorsed by RNZCGP for up to 4 CME credits for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) purposes. CME endorsement is being sought from RACS.

Melanoma Research and Therapy Special Interest Group (SIG) meeting

9.00 – 10.30 am Thursday 21 September 2023

Napier War Memorial Centre, Napier

Don't forget to register for the next Melanoma Research and Therapy Special Interest Group meeting which will be held in conjunction with the New Zealand Society of Oncology (NZSO) Annual Scientific meeting.

Topics to be discussed are:

- Neoadjuvant treatment of early-stage disease
- Audit of brain metastases in New Zealand

Please register to attend via the [NZSO website](#). No virtual option will be available.

For those wishing to attend this meeting only, registration is \$50 for Registrars/Scientists/Nurses/Students and \$300 for Senior Medical Officers. This fee provides access to all Thursday SIG meetings and sessions - see the programme [here](#).

SCC and BCC Guidelines | Recently released by NZ Skin Cancer Doctors Society

New Zealand Skin Cancer Doctors Society have recently developed guidance on clinical margins and follow-up intervals for patients who have had non-melanoma skin cancers.

These guidelines have been distilled from Australasian and American publications. They are not meant to be an exhaustive academic analysis of the evidence, but rather a usable easy reference document to aid clinicians in their decision-making.

NZ Skin Cancer Doctors is the official society representing New Zealand Skin Cancer Doctors and Professionals. Their vision is to achieve best-practice skin cancer care in New Zealand by enabling collaboration, credentialing, ongoing education and professional support for New Zealand Skin Cancer Doctors and Professionals. NZSCD consistently strives to establish robust and clear standards that define the qualifications and criteria necessary to be recognised as a Skin Cancer Doctor.

[Access the Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer Guidelines](#)

[Find out more about NZ Skin Cancer Doctors](#)

Auckland Medical Research Foundation | Call for applications for melanoma or other skin cancer Fellowship

The Auckland Medical Research Foundation (AMRF) is calling for applications for the JI Sutherland Medical Research Fellowship. This Fellowship is open to medical or science graduates with New Zealand residency, permanent residency or citizenship who wish to undertake full-time medical research for a PhD or an MD in the specific field of melanoma or other skin cancer research.

Applications must be made through the [AMRF portal](#) and received by **5.00 pm, 2 August 2023**. Please direct any questions to the Research Programme Manager on 09 923 1701 or email hannah.gibbons@medicalresearch.org.nz.

[More information](#)

Upcoming opportunities and events



SKIN CANCER SYMPOSIUMS

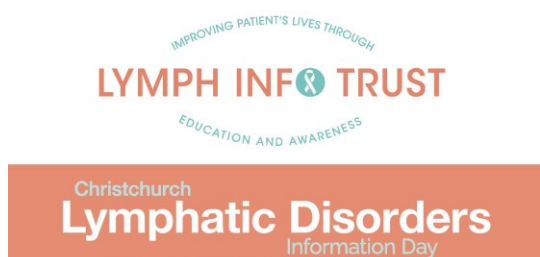
Advanced Certificate of Dermatoscopy 2023
with Dr Cliff Rosendahl & Dr Amanda Oakley
29–30th July 2023 at the University of Auckland
Price: \$1795 + GST Ph: 09 888 8540

Early bird, registrar and nurse discounts available
www.skincancersymposiums.com

Free Dermatoscope & textbook worth \$569!

There's still time to register for this two-day course hosted by Skin Cancer Symposiums. It is designed to equip healthcare providers with a systematic and practical approach to assessing skin lesions that are suspicious of malignancy. All health professionals are invited to attend.

[Register](#) | [Programme](#) | [More information](#)



IMPROVING PATIENT'S LIVES THROUGH
LYMPH INFO TRUST
EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

Christchurch
Lymphatic Disorders
Information Day

Hosted by [Lymph Info Trust](#), this Information Day will be held in Christchurch on 12 August. Experts in the field will share knowledge about lymphoedema, lipoedema and phlebolymphoedema including causes, risk factors, self-care, prevention, treatment and management.

[More information](#) | [Purchase a ticket](#)



Together for a brighter future

21-23 SEPTEMBER 2023 | NAPIER



This Annual Scientific Meeting will commence with a day dedicated to Special Interest Group meetings (SIG) – including the [Melanoma Research and Therapy SIG meeting](#) – and the inaugural Early to Mid-Career Networking Function. Conference sessions take place on 22 and 23 September.

[More information](#) | [Programme](#) | [Register](#)



Looking to expand your skills in skin cancer medicine?

Skin Cancer College of Australia's last course dates for 2023 are filling up. Sign up now to secure your spot and advance your skills ready for 2024. Be sure to check out their Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine (Christchurch) on 18 November 2023. A combination of online learning and a practical face-to-face workshop, this is the perfect starting point for GPs wanting to expand their knowledge and skills in primary care skin cancer medicine.

[More information](#)

Other upcoming opportunities and events

August

New Zealand Dermatological Society Incorporated

Conference and AGM

2 – 5 August 2023

Queenstown

[Find out more](#)

New Zealand Dermatology Nurses' Society (NZDNS) conference

3 - 4 August 2023

Queenstown

[Find out more](#)

ASCO Breakthrough

3 – 5 August 2023

Yokohama, Japan

[Find out more](#)

Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

4 August 2023

Online and practical workshop in Brisbane on 2 September

[Find out more](#)

Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery

Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery

5 August 2023

Adelaide, Australia

[Find out more](#)

Immuno-Oncology Summit 2023

7 – 9 August 2023

September

Certificate of Dermoscopy - Online

1 September 2023

Online

[Find out more](#)

Advanced Skin Surgery Workshop

1 – 4 September 2023

Brisbane, Australia

[Find out more](#)

Dermatopathology for Skin Cancer Clinicians

8 September 2023

Online

[Find out more](#)

Dermoscopy made easy online course

16 September 2023

Online via Zoom

More details coming soon

Melanoma Research and Therapy Special Interest

Group meeting (in conjunction with NZSO Conference)

21 September 2023

Napier

[Find out more](#)

Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

22 September 2023

Online and practical workshop in Sydney on 21 October

[Find out more](#)

Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery

Hybrid event: Boston, USA and virtual

[Find out more](#)

Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

18 August 2023

Online and practical workshop in Melbourne on 16 September

[Find out more](#)

Skin Cancer in the Elderly: an online course

19 August 2023

Online

[Find out more](#)

New Zealand Society of Cosmetic Medicine Conference

25 – 27 August 2023

Christchurch

[Find out more](#)

Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

Professional Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery

26 August 2023

Sydney, Australia

[Find out more](#)

Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

Professional Diploma of Skin Cancer Surgery

27 August 2023

Sydney, Australia

[Find out more](#)

Queenstown Research Week 2023

27 August - 1 September 2023

Queenstown

[Find out more](#)

23 September 2023

Brisbane, Australia

[Find out more](#)

Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine

Advanced Certificate of Skin Cancer Surgery

24 September 2023

Brisbane, Australia

[Find out more](#)

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.

[Lactate dehydrogenase as independent prognostic value for patients with melanoma brain metastases](#)

[The GENESIS-UV study on UVR exposure levels in 250 occupations helps to foster epidemiological and legislative efforts to combat NMSC](#)

[Updated data of neoadjuvant combination therapy show high survival rates for patients with macroscopic stage III melanoma](#)

[Age predictive scoring systems may aid decision-making when considering surgical intervention for elderly BCC patients](#)

[Greater sun protection legislation recommended for Australia, NZ and G7 countries](#)

[Surgical research progress of sentinel lymph node biopsy in melanoma](#)

[Adjuvantly treated stage III melanoma patients under real-world conditions: treatment and outcome](#)

[Treatment-free survival after nivolumab vs pembrolizumab vs nivolumab-ipilimumab for advanced melanoma](#)

[Adjuvant immunotherapy for resected melanoma: Preference of adjuvant immunotherapy over no adjuvant immunotherapy, and treatment that improves efficacy, safety](#)



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