



# MelNet update

20 May 2024

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## **Skin Cancer Study Day for Nurses | Save the date**

**Friday 1 November 2024**

**Whenua Pupuke, Waitematā Clinical Skills Centre, Auckland**

We are very excited to host another Skin Cancer Study Day for Nurses later this year. Mark your diaries – the study day is scheduled for Friday 1 November at Whenua Pupuke, Waitematā Clinical Skills Centre in Auckland.

These study days are always very popular. They are targeted at primary and secondary care nurses and nursing students and provide an overview of skin cancer prevention, early detection, treatment and care. They are also an opportunity to network with colleagues, helping to foster new connections, collaboration and sharing of resources.

More details will be available in the coming weeks. We anticipate registrations will open in August.

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## **Nurses in Skin Cancer Special Interest Group | Seeking expressions of interest**

Nursing plays a crucial and multifaceted role in the comprehensive management of skin cancer, and New Zealand nurses have an increasingly active role in the prevention, detection and management of this disease.

The newly established [Nurses in Skin Cancer Special Interest Group](#) is an exciting opportunity for nurses working in skin cancer to come together in a collaborative and supportive environment. The group aims to help grow the number of nurses working in skin cancer and develop and support those already working in this area.

Interested in being part of this group? [Register your interest](#)

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## **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 J.I. Sutherland Medical Research Fellowship. This Fellowship provides support for a medical or non-medical graduate who wishes 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 pm on 7 August 2024. Please direct any questions to the Research Programme Manager on 09 923 1701 or email

[hannah.gibbons@medicalresearch.org.nz](mailto:hannah.gibbons@medicalresearch.org.nz)

[More information](#)

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## **Upcoming opportunities and events**



**Skin & Skin Cancer  
Conference and  
Masterclasses**

**18 - 21 July 2024 - Brisbane, Queensland**  
**Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre**

The [Skin & Skin Cancer Conference](#) on 20 and 21 July will delve into all aspects of general dermatology and skin cancer medicine, addressing questions and frustrations in daily practice. Keynote speakers and local experts will lead joint plenary sessions, followed by smaller breakouts for in-depth discussion of pertinent topics. You can also attend a Dermoscopy Masterclass prior to the conference on 18 and 19 July. The Surgery Masterclass is sold out.

[Find out more](#)



The [Melanoma and Skin Cancer Trials Annual Scientific Meeting](#) (ASM) will bring together leaders in melanoma and skin cancer clinical trials to share the latest discoveries and foster innovative research. The programme will feature a keynote address, presentations on Melanoma and Skin Cancer Trials clinical research, consumer sessions, and other relevant talks. The Melanoma and Skin Cancer Trials ASM is a satellite meeting of the [Australasian Melanoma Conference](#) (AMC), to be held on 25-26 October 2024, also at the Hyatt Regency Sydney.

[Find out more](#)

### Other upcoming opportunities and events

June	July
<p><b>GP CME</b> 6 – 9 June 2024 Rotorua <a href="#">Find out more</a></p>	<p><b>Advanced Skin Surgery Workshop</b> 5 – 8 July 2024 Christchurch <a href="#">Find out more</a></p>
<p><b>Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine</b> Starts on 7 June 2024 Online &amp; practical workshop in Christchurch <a href="#">Find out more</a></p>	<p><b>Certificate of Dermoscopy – Online</b> Starts on 12 July 2024 Online <a href="#">Find out more</a></p>
<p><b>2024 AOMA Virtual Summit</b> 15 June 2024 Online <a href="#">Find out more</a></p>	<p><b>Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine</b> Starts on 19 July 2024 Online &amp; practical workshop in Sydney, Australia <a href="#">Find out more</a></p>
<p><b>5th Edition of International Conference on Dermatology and Cosmetology</b> 24 – 26 June 2024 Hybrid event: Paris, France &amp; online <a href="#">Find out more</a></p>	<p><b>Certificate of Dermoscopy 2024</b> 27 – 28 July 2024 Auckland <a href="#">Find out more</a></p>
	<p>For more events see the <a href="#">MelNet events calendar</a></p>

**Online skin cancer education courses** for Primary Care Practitioners **starting anytime** can be found [here](#).

## 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.

[Genomic deletions explain generation of alternative BRAF isoforms conferring resistance to MAPK inhibitors in melanoma](#)

[Brain MRI remains gold standard compared to PET-CT to detect cerebral metastases in melanoma patients](#)

[Vascular mimicry as a facilitator of melanoma brain metastasis](#)

[Acral amelanotic melanoma: Increased vigilance and proactive diagnostic approach needed to increase early detection rates and improve prognostic outcomes](#)

[Preferences of physicians for treatment-related toxicity vs. recurrence in melanoma](#)

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