

## CSANZ RT Hall Prize



The R T Hall Prize is the most prestigious research award of CSANZ and recognises the achievements of senior and established investigators.

The winner of the 2020 RT Hall prize is Prof Peter Kistler in recognition of his body of research on the management of atrial arrhythmias.

Prof Kistler leads the electrophysiology program at the Alfred Hospital and Baker Heart and Diabetes Institute in Melbourne. Over the past decade Prof Kistler has

developed the clinical program into one of the highest profile groups nationally and internationally.

The 2020 RT Hall prize was announced at the closing ceremony of the CSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting on 16 December. Prof Kistler (right) was recently presented with the RT Hall Prize plaque by 2007 RT Hall Prize winner Prof David Kaye (left) at an informal ceremony at the Alfred Hospital.

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**Do you know a leading researcher who should be recognised for their sustained and outstanding research achievement?**

**Nominations are now open for the 2021 RT Hall Prize.**

For further information regarding the nomination process go to the [website](#)

<https://www.csanz.edu.au/members/scholarships-and-fellowships/r-t-hall-prize/>

Nominations close at **5pm AEDT on Friday, 26 February, 2021.**

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## Australia Day Honours - Congratulations

**Dr Ruth Arnold OAM, Orange, NSW**

Warmest congratulations are extended to CSANZ Fellow, Dr Ruth

Arnold who was awarded an Australia Day Honour of Medal (OAM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia for service to medicine as a Cardiologist.



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## VALE - Prof Malcolm West AM and Dr Sivasambu Anandaraja

We acknowledge with deep regret the passing of two internationally renowned, outstanding cardiologists.

### **Professor Malcolm West AM FCSANZ (Qld)**

Professor West passed away on 6 January. He was actively involved in the CSANZ and was a former Chair of the Professional and Ethical Standards Committee and CSANZ Board member.



Professor West will be missed by his many colleagues and friends particularly at The Prince Charles Hospital, Brisbane. [Read more here](#)

### **Dr Sivasambu Anandaraja FCSANZ (NZ)**

Originally from Sri Lanka, Dr Sivasambu Anandaraja emigrated to New Zealand in 1974 with his partner, to Hawera where 'Ana' became a consultant physician.

His most recent placement was as Consultant Physician at Auckland City Hospital and in private practice at Waitemata Cardiology, until he finally retired in 2012, aged 82.

Dr Guy Armstrong, Waitemata Cardiology, Auckland NZ has provided us with memories of his good friend and colleague. [Read more here](#)

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## 2021 CSANZ ASM - Named Lecturers announced ...



# CSANZ 2021

69TH ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING  
OF THE CARDIAC SOCIETY OF  
AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND  
HOSTED BY CSANZ NSW

5 – 8 AUGUST 2021 | ADELAIDE CONVENTION CENTRE

[WWW.CSANZASM.COM](http://WWW.CSANZASM.COM)

**Kempson Maddox Lecturer** : Prof Diane Fatkin, Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute, NSW

**Gaston Bauer Lecturer** : Prof Markus Schlaich, University of Western Australia, WA

**Basic Science Lecturer** : Prof Sally Dunwoodie, Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute, NSW

**Cardiovascular Nursing Lecturer** : A/Prof Janet Bray, Monash University, VIC

**CLOSING DATE for all CSANZ ASM and ANZET abstracts**  
**Monday 15 March, 2021**

[Submit abstracts for CSANZ ASM](#)

[Submit abstracts for ANZET21](#)

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## Friday 5 Feb - Wear Red Day for Heart Health



This Friday (Feb 5) is #WearRedDay to show support for #HeartHealth. In case you didn't know - the whole month of February is Heart Month!

Here's some inspiration from members of the global PHRI Canada team and our President, Clara Chow who is wearing her favourite colour!

Check out what's red in your closet to wear tomorrow - it only needs to be on the top, if you're in zoom meetings on Friday! Or why not make a donation to your favourite Heart Health Charity...

*Photo courtesy: #PHRI Canada*

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## Personalised Medical Device (PMD) Regulations are Changing

[The way that custom-made medical](#)

**devices are regulated in Australia is changing. If you are manufacturing, importing or supplying custom-made medical devices, these changes will impact you.**

The following information has been developed by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), Department of Health Team for our members, to assist in the new Australian regulatory framework for personalised medical devices (PMD).



From 25 Feb 2021 a new framework commences for regulating PMD that are designed, manufactured or otherwise adapted to suit a particular individual (including specific tools requested by you for use in your practice).

Read the full guidance for the new PMD framework on the [TGA website here](#)

**CSANZ** will be partnering with the **TGA** in the coming months to provide more information to the sector, including a dedicated educational webinar if there is sufficient interest. You can inform the TGA of your interest through this short survey.

- [Take the survey](#) to register your interest in receiving additional information.

The majority of custom-made PMD will need to be included in the ARTG. Manufacturers and sponsors of PMD should:

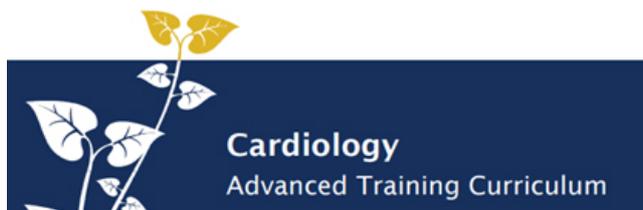
- [Notify the TGA](#) that you are producing or supplying a custom-made medical device.
- [Register to access the transition period](#) by 25 August 2021.
- [Submit an application for inclusion](#) in the ARTG by 1 November 2024.

NB: The above is an abridged version, [read full doc from the TGA here](#)

*Please note: If your device is required to be included in the ARTG and you do not submit a transition notification form before 25 August 2021 you will not be able to continue supplying the device until you have a valid inclusion in the ARTG.*

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## Cardiology Curriculum Review - call for expressions of interest



**CLOSING DATE extended to  
Monday, 15 February, 2021**

The RACP Advanced Training Committee in Cardiology is forming two Curriculum Review Groups (CRG) to develop new advanced

training curriculum in both adult and paediatric cardiology.

The RACP is calling for expressions of interest from cardiology Fellows and trainees for membership of these groups.

Full details can be found on the RACP website:

If you have any questions regarding the review contact Jennifer Collins, Project Administrator at the RACP on 1300 697 227 or email [memberservices@racp.edu.au](mailto:memberservices@racp.edu.au)

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## LAST CALL - for Prostheses Reform Consultation Open

Submissions close on 15 February, 2021.

The Australian Department of Health is seeking feedback from clinicians and other interested parties on proposed options for reforms and improvements to the Prostheses List. The Department released two reports which provide context to the [Consultation Paper](#) (1.1MB) and facilitate more complete consultation on potential reform options:

- [Review of the General Miscellaneous Category of the Prostheses List](#) (Ernst and Young)
- [Options for a Revised Framework for Setting and Reviewing Benefits for the Prostheses List](#) (Prostheses List Revised Benefit Setting and Review Framework Industry Working Group)

For further information go to the [consultation website](#).

CSANZ will be preparing a submission in response to the consultation, if any members would like to provide feedback for consideration for inclusion in the CSANZ submission, please email: [info@csanz.edu.au](mailto:info@csanz.edu.au). Members may also submit individual feedback directly via the consultation website.

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## Webinars

This year, the [Royal Australasian College of Physicians](#) will host an [Evolve webinar](#) series that will explore interesting topics relevant to low-value practice.

The inaugural webinar will feature [Professor Ian Scott](#) who will be presenting on [‘Cognitive biases in clinical decision making’](#) held on Tuesday, 16 February 2021, 6pm-7pm (AEDT) / 8pm-9pm (NZDT).

Professor Scott will present on the cognitive biases that physicians experience in their clinical decision making and how this can play a role in the continued delivery of low-value care.

[Register or read more about the webinar here](#)

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## Events

## EUROGUICH 2021

**Tuesday, 04 May 9:00 - Wednesday, 05 May 2021 18:00 CEST**

Annual Meeting of the ESC Working Group on Adult Congenital Heart Disease (ACHD)

[Register Now](#)

**Topics to be presented:** Valvular, Myocardial, Pericardial, Pulmonary, Congenital Heart Disease

## GLOBAL TRIALS SUMMIT 2021

**Friday 12 Feb from 5:00pm to Saturday 13 Feb 5:00pm (GMT)**

(AEDT)

Day 1 - 4:00am to 9:45am on Sat 13 Feb;

Day 2 - 8:00pm on Sat 13 Feb to 4:00am on Sun 14 Feb

A two day Virtual Conference including discussions on Heart Failure Trials, Atherosclerosis Trials, Diabetes Trials and Kidney Disease Trials.

Registration is FREE - but essential to access - [Register Now](#)

For more information please email: [info@slsolutionsevents.ca](mailto:info@slsolutionsevents.ca)

Please find full invitation details in the [attached](#) pdf.

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### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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[Locum Consulting Cardiologist](#) - Launceston, Tasmania

[Consultant Cardiologist](#) - Shoalhaven, NSW

[Interventional Heart Failure and Pacing Cardiologist](#) - Mornington Peninsula, VIC

[General Consultant Cardiologist](#) - Mornington Peninsula, VIC

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