



eNews

ABSTRACTS ARE OPENING NEXT WEEK!



Key Dates

Abstract submissions open	16 November 2023
Abstract submissions close	11 March 2024
Registration opens	14 March 2024

START PLANNING YOUR TRIP TO WA FOR AUGUST 2024!

Do you have an outstanding colleague or mentor?

You are invited to nominate an outstanding colleague or mentor to be the recipient of the next R T Hall Prize in 2024, the most prestigious research award of CSANZ that

recognises the achievements of senior and established investigators. The Prize is awarded in open competition and is directed towards recognition of sustained and outstanding research achievement.

The R T Hall Prize is awarded to an individual investigator (or small group) for a coherent body of work, predominantly undertaken in Australia and New Zealand that advances knowledge of the cardiovascular system and its diseases.

Prof Gemma Figtree AM was awarded the R T Hall Prize at the 2023 CSANZ ASM in August. [Read more about her work and previous recipients here.](#)

[Click here to view the eligibility criteria and 2024 nomination details here.](#)

Please email your nomination package to the Honorary Secretary at info@csanz.edu.au by **Monday, 20th November 2023 by 5pm AEDT.**

R T Hall Prize 2024

Call for Nominations

Next FIT Heart School Webinar | 22 Nov | 7:00pm (AEDT)

The next **CSANZ Heart School Webinar Series** will be on **Wednesday 22 November** from **7pm (AEDT)**.

Dr Felicity Lee, from the Advanced Heart Failure and Cardiac Transplant Unit, Fiona Stanley Hospital, will be presenting "**LVAD Emergencies after hours – an approach for your on-call**" and chaired by Dr Nestor Gahungu.



The session will run for around 1 hour, comprising a presentation of approximately 50 minutes and 10 minutes Q&A.

Registration is essential, [please click here to register and receive the Zoom details.](#)

Have you missed a previous FIT webinar?

[Go to the CSANZ Education page to catch up](#) (member login required).

Thank you, Dr Leo Mahar for your contribution, passion and dedication to Cardiology and improving health outcomes.

At the recent National Cardiac Registry Annual General Meeting, Dr Leo Mahar officially resigned as Chair of the Board following a 3 ½ year appointment.

Dr Mahar held key positions at CSANZ, namely:
Chair, Interventional Council 1992-1994



Chair, Continuing Education and Recertification Committee 2004-2008
Chair, CSANZ Education Trust 2012-2013
CSANZ rep on the Cardiac Prostheses Advisory Group 2011-2015
CSANZ Board Member 2001-2007
CSANZ President 2008-2010

The National Cardiac Registry was established in May 2020 to measure, monitor and report on national clinical quality outcomes data on cardiovascular procedures and cardiac devices, with the purpose of improving patient safety and cardiac health care. It was under Leo's leadership the Company and Board was established, and with PCI underway and current drive to increase hospital participation, the scoping of CIED will commence under the new Chair Dr James Leitch.

Dr Mahar was awarded Life Membership of CSANZ in 2011 and a CSANZ Distinguished Service Award in 2014. Dr Mahar's service to Cardiology spans over 50 years, primarily at the Royal Adelaide Hospital. Noting also his national service as a medical officer in the Royal Australian Army, overseas fellowships, numerous memberships and committee appointments, publications, training, and lecturing... always giving back to the profession. As one never to miss a CSANZ Conference, we thank Leo and wish you the best in your future plans and travels.

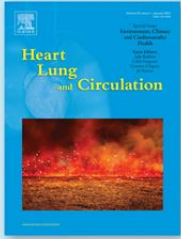
EOI Editorial Fellow | Heart, Lung and Circulation (HLC) | 2024-25

A newly created position for aspiring researchers and/or clinician-researchers with direct involvement with the Board of Australasia's specialist journal of cardiology and cardiothoracic surgery, *Heart, Lung and Circulation*.

The successful applicant will be introduced to a broad range of experience available within academic publishing, from initial commissioning to post-publication social media and will be closely involved with at least one specific journal project (e.g., a Special Issue, a conference presentation and/or co-authorship of an editorial or article for publication in *Heart, Lung and Circulation*).

The Editorial Fellow will also receive training in peer review across a range of submissions, as conducting peer review will be a core, ongoing activity in this Position.

[Read more about essential and desirable criteria here](#)



Heart, Lung and Circulation
EDITORIAL FELLOW (2024) – EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Expressions of interest are now being sought for the honorary position of EDITORIAL FELLOW (2024) *Heart Lung and Circulation*

This new position seeks to provide aspiring researchers and/or clinician-researchers with direct experience of involvement with the Board of Australasia's specialist journal of cardiology and cardiothoracic surgery, with a view to encouraging ongoing scholarship and involvement with academic scientific journals.

The Editorial Fellow will be an honorary member of the Section Editors' Board for at least two years, attending Editorial Board meetings and other relevant meetings (e.g., the CSANZ Annual Scientific Meeting). Some financial support may be available to attend meetings.

The Editorial Fellow will be introduced to a broad range of relevant experiences available within academic publishing, from initial commissioning to post-publication social media, and will be closely involved with at least one specific journal project (e.g., a Special Issue, a conference presentation and/or co-authorship of an editorial or article for publication in *Heart, Lung and Circulation*).

Empagliflozin (Jardiance®) (10 mg tablet) is now listed on the PBS for the treatment of chronic heart failure.

Please find below information relating to new and amended Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) listings implemented on 1 November 2023.



Chronic heart failure

Empagliflozin (Jardiance®) (10 mg tablet) is now listed on the PBS for the treatment of chronic heart failure. Prescriptions for treatment are Authority Required (STREAMLINED).

Download the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) relating to access and use of the Online PBS Authorities system are also attached. This information may be of interest

to your members.

For more information about the Online PBS Authorities system visit www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/hppbsauthorities

ICCG CONFERENCE 2024 | ABSTRACTS ARE OPEN

Calls for abstracts for this year's International Clinical Cardiovascular Genetics Conference.

SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT

KEY DATES:

Registration opens: 15 Nov 2023

Abstract submissions close: 28 Feb 2024

Early bird registration closes: 11 Mar 2024

Read more about the international speakers here.

The ICCG Conference 2024 is being held at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre from 8 - 10 May 2024.



KEYNOTE
SPEAKERS

#ICCG2024



Christine Seidman
Harvard Medical School
USA



Elijah Behr
St George's University of London
UK

FAREWELL TO MARTHA MCCALL | CSANZ EXECUTIVE OFFICER

This week's marks the end of an era! If you missed the President's Report at the 2023 CSANZ AGM in Adelaide, the "On the Pulse" Sept 2023 issue, nor attended any CSANZ Council or Committee nor regional CSANZ AGMs: then you may not know that after 8 years, Martha McCall, our fabulous Executive Officer is leaving us.

As Prof Stephen Nicholls said in his report at the AGM, "As Executive Officer, you basically run the society - you know all of its comings

and goings - you are its COO, CFO, unofficial Company Secretary and head of both human resources and government affairs... Martha has an incredible working knowledge of all activities of the society, has adapted to the daily changes that are thrown before her and displays an incredible degree of poise and collegiality... [read the President's Report in full here.](#)

Martha, we are so grateful for the insight and wisdom you have shared with us, and for all that you have done for us over the years. We will miss your enormous bank of knowledge and expertise in all things CSANZ and beyond, and will not forget your leadership, your ability to help us to broaden our roles and reach, enabling us to make a difference to the Cardiac Society and its members. Thank you.

Martha's replacement will be Julianne James-Smith, who starts at the end of November 2023. We look forward to introducing you to Julianne in the next eNews.



INAUGURAL ANZ DEVICES MASTERCLASS | A SUCCESS!



CSANZ Fellow, Prof Peter Kistler, Baker Heart and Diabetes Institute is joined here with Dr Jason Andrade, MD, Montreal Heart Institute and Vancouver General Hospital, Canada. See the discussion about everything you need to know about measuring outcomes for clinical trials in AF: AF burden, single recurrence, QOL, healthcare utilization and more.

[View the full interview here on Heart Rhythm TV.](#)

IN THE NEWS | HFA 2024 Research Awards announced

Congratulations to all CSANZ members who were recently announced as Heart Foundation Australia (HFA) research recipients for their projects commencing in 2024.



The list of renowned HFA awards include: Future Leader Fellowships, Postdoctoral and PhD Scholarships, Vanguard and First Nations' Grants and the top Innovations Awards for 2024, plus the Collaboration and Exchange Award announcements.

[Read the full list of recipients here at the HFA website.](#)

Scroll down the [@heartfoundation \(Twitter X\)](#) to read more about the recipients and their stories including past [CSANZ President, Prof Len Kritharides here](#)

Survey: AF in chronic kidney disease

Atrial fibrillation in kidney disease: a survey of Australian practice in risk assessment and anticoagulation decision-making.

Management is often shared decision-making, but clinical priorities may differ

between cardiologists and nephrologists.

We invite you to take part in a 5-minute survey - your participation will characterise the practice variation across nephrology and cardiology groups, contributing to improved multidisciplinary care, thank you.

START SURVEY

For any queries, please contact: Dr Mandy Law, nephrologist and PhD candidate, The Royal Melbourne Hospital, University of Melbourne at email: mandy.law@mh.org.au



Survey: POPPI-Perspectives On antihypertensive Polypill Prescribing Internationally Survey | WARC

Researchers at Westmead Applied Research Centre and The University of Sydney are conducting a survey to understand doctors' perspectives on fixed-dose combination antihypertensive medicines. The project will provide insight into prescribing practices of fixed-dose combination medicines to control blood pressure in primary prevention of cardiovascular disease.

We are recruiting doctors who manage people with high blood pressure, to take part.

Please click on the link below to answer a short series of questions. (the survey will take 10-15 minutes). Please share the link with your colleagues.

POPPI-Perspectives On antihypertensive Polypill Prescribing Internationally Survey

If you have any questions about this research please contact the chief investigator, Edel O'Hagan via email: edel.ohagan@sydney.edu.au

HREC Approval Number: HC 2023/362 Version dated: 19/06/2023

Research Study | DIVERSE HEARTS - Digital health program

Invitation to take part in an interesting multicultural community research study.

A research study exploring the perspectives of health professionals on CVD and stroke prevention educational needs of people from multicultural communities and co-designing a culturally tailored, digital CVD and stroke prevention education program for people from Arabic, Dari, Chinese and Vietnamese communities.



YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN A RESEARCH STUDY

DIVERSE HEARTS

Co-designing a culturally tailored digital stroke education program for Arabic, Dari, Chinese and Vietnamese-speaking communities

Read the flyer and see how to participate.

If you would like more information please contact: Dr Sabine Allida, Principal Investigator via email at sallida@uow.edu.au or phone 0430 079 587. ([Ethics approval letter attached](#))

Latest Device Alerts

Medtronic – LINQ II™ implantable cardiac monitor (Nov 2023)

- A subset of devices with a manufacturing defect are susceptible to increased noise due to moisture affecting the electrode performance.

TGA Reference: RC-2023-RN-00930-1

Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods (ARTG): 391830 and 355313

ANZCDACC Management Recommendations for Medtronic LINQ II Alert
November 2023

Research Reviews

Heart Failure Research Review: Issue 80, with commentary by Dr Mark Nolan.

Cardiology Research Review: Issue 158, with commentary by A/Prof John Amerena.

Cardiac adverse reactions associated with cancer immunotherapy

A new Research Review Educational Series with commentary by Dr James Permberton.

 **Cardiology Watch 9 - The emerging role of fish oil in reducing cv events** presented by A/Prof John Amerena.

Career Opportunities

AUSTRALIA

Interventional Cardiologist, Staff Specialist or Senior Staff Specialist – Mackay, QLD

Cardiologist – Wairoa (03 Nov 2023)

Cardiologist Expression of Interest (EOI) - Goulburn Valley Region, VIC

Cardiology Interventional Fellowship – Epping, VIC

Staff Specialist (Cardiologist - Electrophysiology Pacing) – Townsville, QLD

Specialist in Cardiology, Echocardiography/Multi-Modality Cardiac Imaging – Canberra, ACT

NEW ZEALAND

Cardiologists – Nelson

Consultant Cardiologist with an interest in Cardiac Imaging – Auckland

See all the available opportunities
on the **CSANZ Website**

Upcoming Events

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

LIVE PANEL | Managing CVD with Obesity | 13 NOV 2023 7pm (AEDT) VIRTUAL

Panel discussion will cover the outcomes of the 2023 AHA Scientific Sessions in relation to managing cardiovascular disease in people living with obesity, plus a review of the trial results presented at the AHA2023 Meeting.

Join the experts, including Prof John Atherton, A/Prof Sarah Glastras, A/Prof Samantha Hocking, Prof Stephen Nicholls and Prof Sophia Zoungas... [Download the flyer for full details here](#)

BEYOND STATINS NATIONAL WEBINAR | 21 NOV 2023 6:45PM (AEDT)

Prof Stephen Nicholls, Director Of Victorian Heart Hospital will be presenting an online webinar on Beyond Statins: Advances in CVD Risk Reduction on Tuesday 21 November 2023 from 6:45–8:00pm (AEDT)

[Download the flyer here to read more and register](#)

4CC | 16 - 17 FEBRUARY 2024 | MELBOURNE

The focus of 4C Cardiology 2024 will be on high-level updates, debates, hot topics and future research directions in four key areas of cardiovascular medicine.

[Submit your abstract](#)

[Early bird registration is closing soon - read more and register](#)

CSANZ NZ ASM | 13 - 15 JUNE 2023 | CHRISTCHURCH

The organising committee are preparing a fabulous program for our NZ ASM. Abstracts closing 4 March 2024.

[Submit your abstracts now!](#)

INTERNATIONAL

ACC.24 | 6- 8 APRIL 2024 | ATLANTA, GA & VIRTUAL

[Early Bird Register](#) closes 29 November 2023.

[Call for Late-Breaking Clinical Trial Submissions](#) closing 5 December 2023 at 1PM (ET)

[Plan your program here](#)

ISHLT 2024 | 9 - 13 APRIL 2024 | PRAGUE

Abstracts are now closed.

[Read more about the Scientific Program](#), which will highlight the multidisciplinary nature of ISHLT, showcasing the latest scientific advances and groundbreaking research presentations as well as symposia sessions on hot topics of interest around the globe.

[Read more](#) Registrations opening Jan 2024

HEART FAILURE 2024 | 11 - 14 MAY 2024 | LISBON

[Submit your Abstract or Clinical Case NOW!](#) Closing 11 Jan 2024

The HFA Scientific Programme will feature exciting symposia, Guidelines in Practice sessions, as well as debates, Late-Breaking Science, clinical cases and original research.

WATCH THIS SPACE! DONT FORGET TO APPLY FOR THE CSANZ TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIPS WHEN THEY COME OUT FOR 2024

Visit the [CSANZ Events Calendar](#) to view more for 2024!

CSANZ NZ ASM | ABSTRACTS ARE NOW OPEN



CSANZ New Zealand Annual Scientific Meeting

The CSANZ New Zealand Annual Scientific Meeting 2024 to be held Ōtautahi Christchurch, from **Thursday 13 June to Saturday 15 June 2024.**

Key Dates:

Registration opens: **28 November 2023**

Abstract submissions close: **4 March 2024**

The CSANZ Team : Contact us

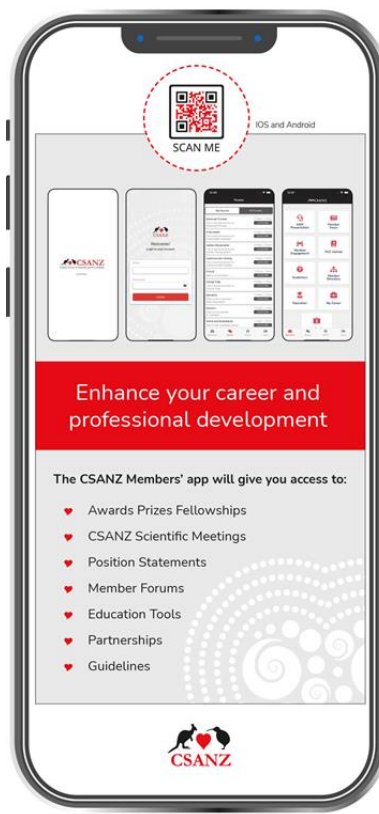


Please contact the CSANZ Team for any enquiries or if you would like to send an article about an achievement, update to research or anything you think would be of interest to members, please forward it to us for the next eNewsletter - we'd love to hear from you.

A rare CSANZ team photo from CSANZ 2023 at the CSANZ booth.

Pictured here: (l to r) Margaret Sinclair, Membership and Administration Coordinator; Martha McCall, Executive Officer; Ann Gregory, Commissioning Editor, Heart, Lung and Circulation Journal; Libby Stavrinos, Communications Manager; Alana Carpenter, ACOR Project Officer.

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