2009 ASMR Medical Research Week®

The 2009 ASMR Medical Research Week® was held between May 29th and June 5th and was a resounding success. ASMR Medical Research Week® is the major public outreach event for the Society and aims to promote health and medical research to the community and to garner support for the sector across Australia.

More than thirty events were held around the country and were attended by medical researchers, benefactors, industry supporters, State and Federal Government representatives and members of the public. Public outreach events included the online High Schools Science Quiz for Year 7-12 students (VIC, NSW, QLD, SA, and WA), a Medical Trivia at the Pub Night in Victoria, Science in the Cinema events in NSW, WA and SA, and High School and Tertiary Student Information sessions in TAS, NSW and VIC. Scientific Meetings and Young Investigator/Student forums were held in the ACT, NSW, QLD, SA, and WA. Those meetings were an excellent chance for ASMR members and researchers to network and showcase their work through oral and poster presentations. In recognition of the outstanding medical research being carried out around the country the ASMR administered many prizes.

Congratulations to the Prize Winners from ASMR MRW® 2009

ACT
ASMR Award for Oral Presentation
Michelle Pisani (University of New South Wales at ADFA)

Best Oral Presentation
Siti Nor Khadijah Addis (John Curtin School of Medical Research, Australian National University)

ASMR Award for Poster Presentation
Michelle Nelson (University of Canberra)

Best Poster Presentation
Sharon Pok (ANU Medical School at the Canberra Hospital)

‘Viewers Choice’ Poster Presentation Award
Blanca Preo (ANU Medical School at the Canberra Hospital)

NSW
University of Sydney Medal for Best Overall Presentation
Pei Pei Gan (Children’s Cancer Institute of Australia)

NSW Office of Science and Medical Research Award for Best Postdoctoral Oral Presentations
Alister Funnell (University of Sydney), Eddy Pasquier (Children’s Cancer Institute of Australia)

Queensland
ASMR Queensland Premier’s Award
Senior Researcher category Winner: Dr Stuart Macgregor (Queensland Institute of Medical Research)

South Australia
Ross Wishart Award
Dr Peter Psaltis (University of Adelaide)

Postgraduate category
Winner: Dr Geoffrey Faulkner (Institute for Molecular Bioscience, University of Queensland)
Runners up: Ms Kate Markey (Queensland Institute of Medical Research) and Dr Henry Tsao (University of Queensland)

Best Oral Presentation of the Day
Jacqueline Noll (Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science, University of Adelaide)

Best Poster Presentation of the Day
King Hwa Ling (Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science, University of Adelaide)