



Dr Jane Butler (POWMRI), Winner of the 2009 Amgen Medical Researcher Award

## 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. These 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

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

**Bianca 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

Eddy Pasquier (Children's Cancer Institute of Australia)



Some of the NSW Awardees.

From left to right: Pei Pei Gan,
Kathryn Roberts and Eddy Pasquier

#### ASMR Best Student Oral Presentation

Briony Jack (University of Sydney)

#### ASMR Best Student Poster Presentation

**Kathryn Roberts** (University of Newcastle)



Some of the NSW Committee members at the Conference Dinner

### Queensland

ASMR Queensland Premier's Awards

## Senior Researcher category

Winner:

**Dr Stuart Macgregor** (Queensland Institute of Medical Research)



Dr Stuart Macgregor, Winner of the 2009 ASMR Queensland Premier's Award (Senior Researcher category)

Runners up: Dr Glen Boyle (Queensland Institute of Medical Research) and Dr Patricia Valery (Queensland Institute of Medical Research)



Francois Mathias, Winner of the 2009 ASMR Queensland Premier's Award (Postdoc category)

## Postdoc category Winner:

Francois Mathias (Institute for Molecular Bioscience, University of Queensland)

#### Runners up: Dr Nicole Cloonan (Institute for

Molecular Bioscience, University of Queensland) and **Dr Brian McEvoy** (Queensland Institute of Medical Research)



Dr Geoffrey Faulkner, Winner of the 2009 ASMR Queensland Premier's Award (Postgraduate category)

## 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)

#### **South Australia**

#### Ross Wishart Award Dr Peter Psaltis (University of Adelaide)



Ross Wishart Award Finalists

Dr Peter Psaltis and Zlatko Kopecki

#### **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)