



# Regional Event Report

## “Tackling Antimicrobial Resistance: Bench to Bedside and Back Again”

ASM Vic Branch sponsored their first regional event at Federation University in Mount Helen Campus on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of April. The event was a public lecture organised by Dr David Bean from Federation University. The lecture was given by microbiology clinician Dr David Wareham from Queen Mary University London on “Tackling Antimicrobial Resistance: Bench to Bedside and Back Again”.

Dr Wareham gave an overview of his research on infection control and antimicrobial resistance and the current problems that clinicians are facing in intensive care units. The lecture was focused on mechanisms underlying the development and persistence of antimicrobial resistance and the consequences this may have on the organism and its capacity to cause disease. His presentation described some work he has done with *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia* and *Acinetobacter baumannii*.

The night attracted greater than forty people at the Mount Helen campus and was also live streamed at their Gippsland campus. The presentation was of great interest and concluded with dinner and drinks as well as opportunities for the audience and speaker to network.



Left: Dr Wareham. Top Right: Dr Steve Petrovski, Dr Wareham and Dr Bean

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