



## The Victorian Branches of AIMS and ASM present a joint conference focusing on

# Science in the Spotlight

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at  
Vibe Hotel, Marysville VIC**

### What you can expect:

- A diverse and engaging scientific program focusing on current research, case studies and new technologies in the medical and microbiological sciences at a picturesque location
- Great networking opportunities
- Conference dinner opportunity on Saturday night



### **Abstract / Case Study submissions NOW OPEN:**

Would you like to present a 15 min talk or a poster? If so, contact Dr Ed Fox ([edward.fox@csiro.au](mailto:edward.fox@csiro.au)) for abstract submission instructions or go to the AIMS website. **Abstract submissions EXTENDED to: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

### **Keynote speaker:**

- **Dr Denese Marks, Australian Red Cross Blood Service (NSW)**  
*How would you like your platelets: warm, cold or frozen?*

### **Featured speakers:**

- **Ms Robyn Coleman 'AIMS 2017 Travelling Orator', Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology (QLD)** *Coagulation Considerations in the Patient with Burns*
- **Mr David Barton, RMIT University**  
*Disaster in Relation to Attachment, Loss, Grief and Recovery: The Marysville Experience*

### **Confirmed speakers:**

- **Dr Nancy Endersby-Harshman, Bio21 Institute** *Using the bacterium, Wolbachia pipientis, to fight mosquito vector-borne disease*
- **Ms Michelle Francis, Monash Health** *The molecular revolution in GI diagnostic testing – Buyers beware, know your faecal pathogens*
- **Prof Bill Heath, Doherty Institute** *Understanding Immunity to Malaria Reveals a Novel Path to Vaccine Development*
- **Prof Karin Jandeleit-Dahm, Baker Heart and Diabetes Institute** *Novel targets in diabetic complications*
- **Dr James Knox, Melbourne Pathology** *Phenotypic Detection of Carbapenemase Producing Gram Negatives – Past, Present and Future*
- **Prof Johnson Mak, Deakin University/CSIRO** *Interferon epsilon promotes HIV restriction at multiple steps of viral replication*
- **Dr Peter Molloy, CSIRO** *Development of a blood-based test for detection of colorectal cancer-derived DNA*
- **Prof Greg Qiao, The University of Melbourne** *SNAPPy star-shaped peptide polymers for fighting drug-resistant bacteria*
- **Dr Catherine Satzke, Murdoch Childrens Research Institute** *Pneumococcal vaccines in the Asia Pacific*
- **A/Prof Bayden Wood, Monash University** *A new infrared spectroscopic point-of-care diagnostic for the detection and quantification of pathogens in blood*
- **Prof Matthias Ernst, Olivia Newton John Cancer Research Institute** *Tumours and their microenvironment - Therapeutically targeting reciprocal interactions*
- **Dr Durga Mithraprabhu, Monash University/Alfred Hospital** *Investigating the utility of circulating cell-free tumour DNA for mutational characterisation and non-invasive therapeutic monitoring in multiple myeloma*
- **Dr Norelle Sherry, Austin Health/Melbourne Genomics Health Alliance** *Preventing antimicrobial-resistant infections using whole genome sequencing*
- **Dr Kortnye Smith, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre/Melbourne Genomics Health Alliance** *Integration of Complex Genomic Sequencing into Cancer Care: An evaluation of clinical utility, feasibility and attitudes towards its use in Patients with Advanced Cancer.*

**See over page for registration details and prices.**

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**Registration:** For further details of conference registration rates / packages and to register your attendance, please go to: <https://www.aims.org.au/events/event/vic-aimsasm-2017-conference>  
**GOOD NEWS! EARLY BIRD EXTENDED TO FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2017**

**Accommodation:** Bookings\* are to be made directly with Vibe Hotel, Marysville and can be made:

- Online: <https://tinyurl.com/y86cfqry> or
- Via phone: (03 5957 7700)

\* When booking accommodation, please quote the Promo Code (TH9467296) to access the special conference room rates:

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November rates are \$159 inclusive of breakfast for one or \$179 inclusive of breakfast for two  
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> / Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> are \$169 inclusive of breakfast for one or \$189 inclusive of breakfast for two

**Discounted room rates are subject to availability, so get in quick!**

**Registration Costs:** The FULL registration packages below include both Saturday and Sunday attendance, and the 3 course conference dinner (see below for details about the dinner).

For those only attending one day of the conference, the conference dinner is an optional extra. Dinner tickets are priced at \$80 per person. Extra dinner tickets may also be purchased for family members and friends to participate in this social event (\$80 each).

	<b>AIMS / ASM members:</b>	<b>Non-members:</b>
Early Bird (before Oct 13 <sup>th</sup> ) FULL registration	\$295.00	\$355.00
FULL registration (after Oct 13 <sup>th</sup> )	\$345.00	\$415.00
Saturday only (Dinner not included)	\$155.00	\$185.00
Sunday only (Dinner not included)	\$155.00	\$185.00
Student FULL	\$245.00	\$295.00
Student Saturday only (Dinner not included)	\$115.00	\$145.00
Student Sunday only (Dinner not included)	\$115.00	\$145.00

Go to the website: <https://www.aims.org.au/events/event/vic-aimsasm-2017-conference> to register your attendance!

**Conference Dinner:** A three course conference dinner with canapes and pre-dinner drinks will be served which will feature modern Australian cuisine, local wine, beer and house made bread. The dishes have an emphasis on locally sourced produce within 100km range and the food is simple and fresh with a focus on slow cooked meats over a wood flame. This dinner is designed to bring all the delegates together to share a meal and get to know others.

**Enquires:** Kerryn Weekes ([kerryn.weekes@monashhealth.org](mailto:kerryn.weekes@monashhealth.org)) or Karena Waller ([klwaller@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:klwaller@unimelb.edu.au))

