



Australian Vascular Biology  
Society  
&  
Australian & New Zealand  
Microcirculation Society

## **FIRST JOINT SCIENTIFIC MEETING**

[Incorporating the 15<sup>th</sup> AVBS National Scientific Conference  
and the 13<sup>th</sup> ANZMS Symposium]

September 6-9, 2007

Bellinzona Grange, Hepburn Springs, Victoria

<http://www.grangecc.com.au/2005/bellinzona/index.html>

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### **Featured topics will include:**

Platelets/thrombosis, angiogenesis, vasomotor responses, inflammation, diabetes/atherosclerosis, blood flow regulation, endothelial cells, lymphatics, progenitor cells, tissue engineering

**ABSTRACT DEADLINE: JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2007**

Registration and Abstract details will be available on <http://www.avbs.org/>  
Student travel bursaries and student prizes will be awarded.



## International Vascular Biology Meeting (IVBM) 2008, Sydney



15th INTERNATIONAL VASCULAR BIOLOGY MEETING

*Organisation is underway for the 15th IVBM, to be held in Sydney from June 1-5, 2008*

The 2008 IVBM will be hosted by AVBS in Australia. The meeting will be chaired by Levon Khachigian (Centre for Vascular Research, UNSW) and will mark exactly a decade since our last IVBM, at Cairns in 1998. We aim to follow the fine tradition set by preceding IVBM in showcasing cutting-edge vascular biology featuring many of the world's leading researchers and clinicians. Plenary sessions, Workshops, Poster sessions, and State-of-the-Art and Keynote lectures and abstract presentations will provide a platform for the vibrant and fruitful exchange of new findings, ideas and emerging techniques.

To receive more information regarding IVBM 2008, or to register your expressions of interest, please visit the IVBM 2008 website:  
<http://www.ivbm2008.com/>

## AVBS awards Young Investigator Research Awards and Travel Grants

Every second year, the AVBS awards travel grants to young investigators working in the field of vascular biology to support their attendance and presentation at the International Vascular Biology Meeting. In 2006, two travel grants were awarded to Melanie Ivey (Cell Biology Laboratory, Baker Heart Research Institute), and Fernando Santiago (Centre for Vascular Research, University of New South Wales) for the IVBM to be held in The Netherlands. Young Investigators are encouraged to submit applications for travel awards to the upcoming IVBM hosted in Sydney in 2008. Information on how to apply for these awards will be posted on the AVBS website at a later date.

Several students were also awarded for their poster and oral presentations delivered at 2006 AVBS meeting in QLD. Each of the following students was awarded \$500:

Erik Westein (ACBD, Monash University, Vic)  
Christine Malabanan (UNSW)  
Karyn Lister (Monash)  
Julia Gregory (Monash)  
Connie Wong (Monash)  
Leyla Jalali  
Theresa Brophy (Ireland)  
Helga Blockx (Belgium)  
Shannon Armstrong (UQ)

## Queens Birthday Awards for AVBS luminaries

Over 600 Australians were recognised in 2006 for outstanding achievements in the Queen's Birthday Honours List. Included in the 2006 awards, and amongst 225 women and 445 men, were AVBS luminaries Professors John McGeachie and Julie Campbell.



Professor McGeachie (pictured right) was awarded a Medal of the order of Australia in the general division (OAM), for service to dental education, particularly through the development of programs for undergraduate and postgraduate students.



Professor Campbell, Founder (1992) and inaugural President of the AVBS, was awarded an Office of the General Division of the Order of Australia (OA) in the Queen's Birthday Honours Lists, for service to science and to medical research, particularly in the area of cell biology of coronary artery and other vascular diseases, and to education in Australia.

The AVBS congratulates John and Julie on receiving these honours.

## ISTH 2005 success to further the promotion of education and research within AVBS

The XX Congress of the ISTH was held in Sydney in August of 2005. The Local Organising Committee comprised of members of both the AVBS and Australasian Society of Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ASTH). As many of you are aware, the Congress was a great success and made a substantial profit, of which significant funds were distributed to the AVBS to support education and research. These funds enabled the establishment of an AVBS Scientific and Education Trust, with the aim of promoting and fostering research into vascular biology, particularly for young investigators who choose a career in the field of vascular biology. Given the importance of promoting our young investigators in their research endeavours, this was truly an outstanding outcome for the AVBS, and we extend our thanks particularly to Prof. Colin Chesterman, and to his organizing team, many of whom are AVBS members.

## 2007 membership renewal and applications

Membership is open to all those with an interest in vascular biology. The Society has both Full and Student Members. Members receive a newsletter and reduced registration fee at the annual scientific meeting. Annual membership accounts are distributed in January/February and are due for payment by March 31 each year.

Application forms can be found at the back of this newsletter, or can be downloaded from the AVBS website

- <http://www.avbs.org/member.html>

- New Members [member form download](#)
- Membership Renewal [renewal form download](#)

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## Upcoming Scientific Meetings:

**July 6-12, 2007.**

**XXI Congress, International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH)**

Geneva, Switzerland.

Website <http://www.isth2007.com/>

**August 17-20, 2007**

**4th European Meeting on Vascular Biology and Medicine (EMVBM)**

University of Bristol, UK

Website <http://2007.emvbm.org/>

**September 6-9, 2007**

**15th Annual AVBS Scientific Conference**

Bellinzona Grange

Hepburn Springs, Victoria

**October 23-26, 2007**

**The Annual Scientific Meeting of the Australian Atherosclerosis Society**

Fremantle, Western Australia

Website [Australian Atherosclerosis Society Annual Scientific Meeting](http://www.aas.org.au/annual-scientific-meeting)

**June 1-5, 2008**

**15<sup>th</sup> International Vascular Biology Meeting (IVBM)**

Sydney, Australia

Website <http://www.ivbm2008.com/>



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