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ASID Meeting 2007

HOTEL GRAND CHANCELLOR,
HOBART, TASMANIA, AUSTRALIA

22 – 24 March 2007

MEETING INFORMATION/ASSISTANCE

Website <http://www.racp.edu.au/asid/asm.htm>
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ASID 2007 Conference,
Locked Mail Bag 5057,
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PROPOSED CHANGE TO ASID CONSTITUTION

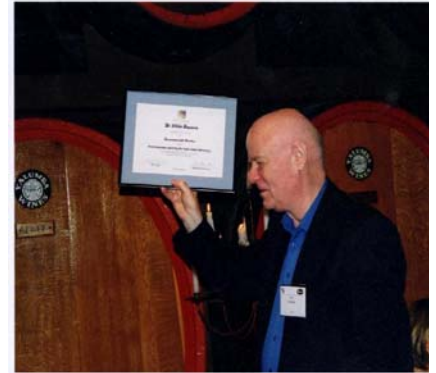
Please see enclosed Notice of Motion re proposed change to ASID Constitution. Members are asked to vote on this Notice of Motion at the Annual General Meeting to be held **at 12 noon on Saturday, 24 March 2007**, in Ballroom 1 of the Hotel Grand Chancellor. An agenda for the meeting and a copy of Minutes of the 2006 AGM are enclosed for members of the Society. Your attendance would be appreciated, as important matters will be open for discussion.

Alvis Kucers, R.I.P.

4/10/93 – 15/2/07

Dear ASID members,

It is with great sadness that I inform you that Dr. Alvis Kucers died on 15 February 2007 after a long battle with metastatic melanoma. Alvis was one of Australia's leading infectious diseases physicians and gained worldwide recognition for his highly respected textbook "The Use of Antibiotics" (UOA) - which for many clinicians was the cornerstone of their libraries over the past 30 years.



Above: Alvis receiving his ASID Life membership at Barossa Valley, 2002.

Born in Latvia in 1933, Alvis migrated at 16 years of age to Australia from war-torn Europe in 1952, unable to speak English. When introduced by the headmaster to his new year 11 class at University High School in Melbourne, he was mistakenly announced to the other students as planning to do medicine (in fact Alvis meant to say "law", but got the English words muddled). Two years later he graduated with honors and a sporting award for soccer. Despite the initial muddle in his career choices he decided to study medicine after all and graduated 2nd in his year from Melbourne University in 1957. He completed his residency at Royal Melbourne Hospital then completed FRACP exams while working at Fairfield Hospital, Melbourne. Soon after he was appointed as a junior clinician, working with Ron Lucas and others under the directorship of John Forbes. In 1968, Forbes encouraged Alvis to undertake a 3 month hospital-funded trip around the USA, since both he and Alvis believed the U.S. approach of training infectious diseases physicians, rather than the European focus on training clinical microbiologists, was likely to become important in Australia. Alvis was impressed with the US approach to infectious diseases but recognised that there was some confusion regarding how best to use the various new antibiotics that were being rapidly developed. Upon return in 1969 Alvis wrote an antibiotic booklet to assist new registrars in understanding how best to use these agents. Forbes recognised the value of Alvis' clear, practical writing style for practising clinicians and encouraged him to publish the first edition of UOA in 1972. Subsequently, the book gained widespread praise throughout the US and Europe, selling more than 4,000 copies of the first edition. Alvis subsequently became a regular attendee at ICAAC and other international meetings where he was highly respected for his forthright probing questions of high-profile antibiotic speakers and authoritative comments on practical issues of antibiotic use.

Alvis continued to write his beloved UOA through 5 editions (last 1997) and ensured that all the contracts and details were signed off for forthcoming 6th edition, even though he knew his health was going to prevent him playing the same active role as he had previously. In writing UOA, Alvis was an incredible taskmaster both to himself and with others who worked with him. For Suzanne Crowe, Jenny Hoy and myself, who had the great honor of co-authoring the 5th edition with him, he was tremendously supportive and encouraging, while being totally dogged, self-disciplined and single-minded in his insistence on consistency of style, format and meeting chapter deadlines. His regular line whenever any of us suggested our chapters might be late was: "Yes, yes, I know work and life are very busy - I totally understand - just make sure you have your next chapter to me by tomorrow at 9.30am - OK?". Of course our answer was always "OK". The worldwide recognition achieved by UOA is a total credit to Alvis and in his mind highlighted the growing strength of Australian Infectious Diseases, especially to Americans.

Generations of Melbourne and Monash medical students have benefited from the infectious diseases training they received at Fairfield from Alvis and all the other key ID staff there. For registrars, Alvis was a tremendous mentor - encouraging them to look beyond Australia's shores to widen their experience and to demonstrate through their efforts and leadership the high standard of infectious diseases practised in Australia.

In recognition of his contribution to Australasian infectious diseases, Alvis was made a Life Member of ASID in 2002.

On behalf of ASID I would like to extend our sympathies to Anne Smith, Alvis' longtime partner who nursed him tirelessly throughout the past very difficult months and to Alvis' extended family.

Rest in peace.

Lindsay Grayson

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ITEMS OF INTEREST TO MEMBERS

Virology Masterclass 2007

The Virology Master Class is an advanced full-time course in Medical Virology held at University of Adelaide/IMVS. The course consists of approximately 33 lectures on basic principles and specific virus infections of humans, accompanied by practical classes and workshops dealing with common bench and analytical techniques in diagnostic and research virology.

The course is designed for academic staff, researchers in virology, trainees and Fellows of the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia, Infectious Diseases physicians, microbiologists or public health workers.

The 2006 Virology MasterClass was well oversubscribed, and it is therefore being held again in 2007, from 18th-29th June.

For further details, please visit our website www.sapmea.asn.au/virology2007

AUSTRALIAN COMMISSION ON SAFETY & QUALITY HEALTHCARE – First Commission Update

Document is available from our website at: <http://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/>
or can be downloaded using the following link:

[http://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/BB539D88D008A000CA2571480023D69F/\\$File/Commission%20Update%20Jan%202007.pdf](http://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/BB539D88D008A000CA2571480023D69F/$File/Commission%20Update%20Jan%202007.pdf)

Graham Bedford, Head of Secretariat, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Tel (02) 9263 3723 Fax (02) 9263 3613
Level 7, 1 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst NSW 2010. GPO Box 5480 Sydney NSW 2001.

THE AUSTRALASIAN SOCIETY FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES INC ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

Registration and the program to date is available online at <http://www.racp.edu.au/asid/asm.htm>

The registration Deadline is **6 March 2007**. (See program on back pages of this newsletter.)

The Registrar Presentation Breakfast Session on Friday 23 March is complimentary. Please note when registering for the meeting of you wish to attend this breakfast for catering purposes.

The Managing Director of Meadowbank Estate has offered to host a wine tasting event commencing prior to the Conference Dinner on Saturday 24th March. The cost is \$11.50 per person, and numbers are strictly limited. Please email pollyanna.strauss@ashm.org.au if you wish to take part. Transport to the event will be provided, departing from the Hotel Grand Chancellor at 6.00pm.

ASID Meeting Keynote Speakers are:

Professor Scott Hammer

Division of Infectious Diseases, Columbia University Medical Centre, USA

A/Professor Kieren Marr

Infectious Diseases Program, University of Washington, USA

Professor Allison McGeer

Departments of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology and Public Health Sciences,
University of Toronto, Canada

Professor Ruth Bishop

Murdoch Children's Research Institute, Royal Children's Hospital and
Department of Paediatrics, University of Melbourne, Melbourne

Professor Ian Frazer

Centre for Immunology and Cancer Research, University of Queensland, Brisbane

A/Professor Andrew Carr

St Vincent's Clinical School, University of NSW, Sydney

A/Professor Greg Woods

Department of Pathology, School of Medicine, University of Tasmania, Hobart

Professor Frank Fenner

John Curtin School of Medical Research, Australian National University, Canberra

For more information contact the secretariat on 61 2 8204 0770 or conferenceinfo@ashm.org.au

ASID COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the ASID Council will be held on **Wednesday, 21 March 2007** before the start of the conference.

ASID AGM

The Annual General Meeting will be held on **Saturday, 24 March 2007, at 12 noon**, in Ballroom 1, Hotel Chancellor, Hobart. The meeting agenda and a copy of the AGM Minutes 2006 will be circulated with the March newsletter. Members wishing to put forward a Notice of Motion for consideration at the AGM must give notice of such a motion to the Honorary Secretary, ASID Secretariat by **Wednesday, 24 January 2007**.

ADVANCED TRAINEES

Advanced Trainees are invited to submit applications for associate membership of the Society. Applications will be tabled at the Council meeting on Wednesday, 21 March 2007, and ratified at the AGM to be held on Saturday, 24 March 2007. Applicants are required to be nominated and seconded by two Full members of ASID. Application forms are available upon request from the ASID Secretariat or they can be downloaded from the ASID website: www.racp.edu.au. Please forward your application, together with a copy of your CV, **no later than Friday, 16 March 2007**, to:-

**ASID Secretariat,
145 Macquarie Street,
SYDNEY NSW 2000.**

MEETINGS, SYMPOSIUMS, COURSES, WORKSHOPS, 2007

RACP Australasian Chapter of Sexual Health Medicine

2007 NSW Scientific Meeting "The Seven Deadly Sins"
Sydney Marriott Hotel, 36 College Street, Sydney, Australia
2 March 2007

Contact: The Australasian Chapter of Sexual Health Medicine
145 Macquarie Street, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia
Phone: +61 2 9256 9643; Fax +61 2 9256 9693
Email: sexualhealthmed@racp.edu.au

Website: www.racp.edu.au

Medecins Sans Frontieres (Doctors Without Borders) Information Evening

Main Common Room, Women's College, campus of University of Sydney,
15 Carillon Avenue (off City Road), Newtown, Sydney NSW
6 March 2007 at 7pm

Contact: Katrina Penney, Active Recruitment Officer
Ph: 1300 136 061/mobile 0439955900;
email: Katrina.penney@sydney.msf.org

Website: www.msf.org.au

National Institute for Infectious Diseases Meeting

Institut Pasteur, Paris, France
8 - 9 March 2007

Contact: secretariat-vbce@vbce.fr

Website: www.pasteur.fr/infosci/sb/DDI

Education Course in HIV Medicine

Brisbane, Queensland,
10 & 11 March 2007

Contact: Jean Martin, HIV & HCV Education Projects
Level 5, School of Medicine, Herston Road, Herston Qld 4006
Ph: +61 7 3346 4749; Fax +61 7 3346 4757

Website: www.som.uq.edu.au/hivandhcvprojects

Communicable Diseases Control Conference 2007

Rydges Lakeside Hotel, Canberra ACT, Australia
14 - 15 March 2007

Contact: CDC Conference 2007 Secretariat
PO Box 3127, BMDC ACT 2617 Australia
Phone: +61 2 6251 0675; Fax +61 2 6251 0672
Email: diseases07@consec.com.au

Website: www.diseases.consec.com.au

Hepatitis C Management Course for Health Care Workers

Gladstone, Queensland
21 March 2007

Contact: Jean Martin, HIV & HCV Education Projects
Level 5, School of Medicine, Herston Road, Herston Qld 4006
Ph: +61 7 3346 4749; Fax +61 7 3346 4757

Website: www.som.uq.edu.au/hivandhcvprojects

The Australasian Society for Infectious Diseases Annual Scientific Meeting

Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart, Tasmania, Australia
22 - 24 March 2007

Contact: ASID Annual Scientific Meeting 2007
Locked Mail Bag 5057, Darlinghurst NSW 1300.
Phone: +61 2 8204 0770 Fax: +61 2 9212 4670

Website: www.racp.edu.au/asid/asm.htm

Specialist Certificate Course in Clinical Research - Immunisation

The University of Melbourne, Victoria
26, 27, 29 & 30 March 2007

Contact: Brad Atkins, Phone +61 3 9810 3185
Email: b.atkins@soe.unimelb.edu.au

Website: www.soe.unimelb.edu.au/iid

17th European Congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases and 25th International Congress of Chemotherapy

Munich, Germany
31 March - 3 April 2007

Contact: AKM Congress Service,
PO Box CH4005 Basel, Switzerland
Email: info@akm.ch

Website: www.eccmid-icc.org

CIDM Public Health Symposium Series 2007

"New approaches to antibiotic resistance and infection control in critical care"
Westmead Hospital, NSW
27 April 2007

Contact: Judith Holford, MSc, Education Officer
CIDM - Public Health, ICPMR, Westmead Hospital
PO Box 533, Wentworthville NSW
Ph: +64 2 9845 6255; email: judithh@icpmr.wsaahs.nsw.gov.au

Website: www.cidmpublichealth.info

National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID) - 10th Annual Conference on Vaccine Research
Baltimore, Maryland, United States of America
30 April – 2 May 2007

Contact: Len Novick, Executive Director, NFID
4733 Bethesda Avenue, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20814, U.S.A.
Ph: (301) 656-003; Fax (301) 907-0878, Email: lnovick@nfid

Website: www.nfid.org

Viruses in May 2007

Carrington Hotel, Katoomba, New South Wales, Australia
3 – 5 May 2007

Contact: congress@racp.edu.au

Website: www.virusesinmay.com

R.A.C.P. Congress 2007

Melbourne Convention Centre, Melbourne, Australia
6 – 10 May 2007

Contact: congress@racp.edu.au

Website: www.racp.edu.au/asm/index.htm

Virology MasterClass

University of Adelaide, South Australia
18 – 29 June 2007

Contact: Prof. Chris Burrell
Ph: +61 8 8303 5974; Fax +61 8 8303 7532
virology2007@sapmea.asn.au

Website: www.sapmea.asn.au/virology2007

National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID)
Annual Conference on Antimicrobial Resistance
Bethesda, Maryland, United States of America
25 – 27 June 2007

Contact: Len Novick, Executive Director, NFID
4733 Bethesda Avenue, Suite 750,
Bethesda, MD 20814, U.S.A.
Ph: (301) 656-003; Fax (301) 907-0878, Email: lnovick@nfid

Website: www.nfid.org

4th IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention

Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
22 – 25 July 2007

Website: www.ias2007.org

25th International Congress of Pediatrics (ICP)

Athens, Greece
25 – 30 August 2007

Contact: C & C International S.A. Conventions & Congresses
16 Paradisou St, 151 25 Athens – Greece.
Ph: +30 210 6889 100; Fax +30 210 6844 777
Email: icp2007@cnc.gr

Website: www.cnc.gr

ICAAC 2007

47th Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy
Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.
17 – 20 September 2007

Contact: American Society for Microbiology
1752 N Street, NW, Washington DC, 20036-2904, USA
Email: icaac@amusa.org

Website: www.icaac.org

Australasian Sexual Health Conference 2007

Conrad Jupiters, Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia
8 – 10 October 2007

Contact: The Conference Secretariat
Phone: +61 2 8204 0770
Email: conferenceinfo@ashm.org.au

Website: www.sexualhealthconference.com.au

5th World Congress of the World Society for Pediatric Infectious Diseases (WSPID)

Bangkok, Thailand
15 – 18 November 2007

Contact: Kenes International / WSPID 2007
17 Rue du Cendrier, PO Box 1726, CH-1211 Geneva 1, Switzerland
Phone: +41 22 908 0488; Fax: +41 22 732 2850, Email: wspid@kenes.com

Website: www.kenes.com/wspid

Annual Scientific Congress of the Asian Pacific Society of Respirology

Gold Coast Convention Centre, Queensland, Australia
29 November – 4 December 2007

Contact: Department of Thoracic Medicine
Royal Adelaide Hospital Chest Clinic, 275 North Terrace, Adelaide SA 5000
Phone: +61 8 8222 5376; Fax: +61 8 8222 5957

AWARDS OFFERED TO ASID MEMBERS

- **Frank Fenner Award for Advanced Research in Infectious Diseases 2007**

Applications for this Award closed in November 2006 and applications have been forwarded to reviewers for ranking. The successful applicant will be announced and presented with the award at the Annual Scientific Meeting in Hobart in March.

- **John Forbes Developing Nations Travelling Scholarship 2007**

Applications for this Award closed in November 2006 and applications have been forwarded to reviewers for ranking. The successful applicant will be announced and presented with the award at the Annual Scientific Meeting in Hobart in March.

- **AstraZeneca Travel Scholarships (2) 2007**

Applications for the first AstraZeneca Award closed in November 2006 and applications have been forwarded to reviewers for ranking. The successful applicant for the first Award is Dr Anton Peleg. The second Award will be advertised in May.

- **ASID International Travel Award 2007**

Applications for this Award closed in November 2006 and applications have been forwarded to reviewers for ranking. The successful applicant will be announced and presented with the award at the Annual Scientific Meeting in Hobart in March.

- **ASID ASM Council Scholarships 2007 (2)**

The ASID Council will fund two scholarships for the Annual Scientific Meeting in Hobart, Tasmania, 22-24 March 2007. Applicants must be ASID members whose Full or Associate membership has been ratified at an ASID AGM, who are currently enrolled full-time in a PhD or MD at the time of the meeting and who are receiving an NHMRC scholarship or similar. Previous winners may not apply.

Applicants must have had their abstracts accepted for presentation at the Annual Scientific Meeting 2007. Note: Those who have submitted abstracts for 2007 will receive advice re their allocation by Friday, 23 February 2007.

The value of the award is up to \$1,500 for travel, registration and accommodation costs to attend the meeting. (Receipts required to claim reimbursement of actual expenses.)

Applicants should submit to the ASID secretariat, 145 Macquarie Street, Sydney 2000, **4 (four) copies** of:

- Letter of application, with details of study currently being undertaken;
- current CV;
- abstract(s) accepted for presentation at the ASID ASM 2007.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS extended: 23 February 2007

- **ASID ASM Advanced Trainees Research Award 2007**

This Award is seen as a means of recognising and rewarding the valuable contribution made by Advanced Trainees in the field of Infectious Diseases who are Associate members and whose ASID membership has been ratified by an ASID AGM.

On the basis of abstracts submitted for this Award, applicants will be selected from oral presentations given at the Annual Scientific Meeting by advanced trainees who are training with the Royal Australasian College of Physicians and whose Associate membership has been ratified at an ASID AGM. The prize will be awarded based on the best oral presentation. The judging panel will be chosen from three senior delegates attending the Meeting. Previous winners may not apply. An award will not be granted on the basis of research for which a previous award has been received. Applicants must specify their personal contribution to the research and list other authors.

The value of the 2007 ASID Annual Scientific Meeting Advanced Trainees Research Award is \$2,000 and will be awarded at the Annual Scientific Meeting in Hobart, Tasmania.

- **ASID ASM Best Poster Award 2007**

The ASID Annual Scientific Meeting Best Poster Award 2007 will be chosen from posters presented by ASID members at the Annual Scientific Meeting (whose Full or Associate membership has been ratified at an ASID AGM). This award will be determined by selecting 4-6 posters for a brief oral presentation during the Meeting. Previous winners may not apply.

The judging panel will consist of a small group of senior delegates who have no association with the posters. The final choice is based primarily on the merits of the poster supported by the oral presentation.

The value of the 2007 ASID Annual Scientific Meeting Best Poster Award is \$1,000 and will be awarded at the Annual Scientific Meeting in Hobart, Tasmania.

Other Awards

2007 Premier's Award for Medical Research recognises the contribution made by early stage researchers and is an initiative of the Victorian Govt and The Australian Society for Medical Research. Applications are sought from PhD students and recently completed PhD graduates whose research is or has been undertaken in a Victorian research institution. The Award program provides \$40,000 in prize money: \$16,000 for the winner and \$8,000 each for 3 commended applicants. In conjunction with this Award, the \$30,000 Jack & Robert Smorgon Families Award will be presented to the research institute supporting the work of the 2007 Premier's Award for Medical Research winner. Application forms and additional information: www/business.vic.gov.au/premiersaward
Closing date: 13 March 2007

GlaxoSmithKline Scholarship for Virological Research provides funding for 1 year scholarship (\$29,000 tax free) to undertake research degree in laboratory, clinical or public health research related to sexually transmitted viral infections. Eligibility criteria: (1) A medical graduate or sexual health nurse. (2) Enrolled in a PhD, MD, Doctor of Public health (research) or Masters by research (not course work Masters) at an Australian or NZ university. Please submit CV, a research plan and an outline of your supervisor and institution where research will be carried out (or copy of NHMRC application). For further information: email foundation@racp.edu.au or phone +61 2 9256 9639. Applications to the Research Grants Administrator, 145 Macquarie St, Sydney 2000.
Closing date: 28 February 2007

Conference Program at a glance

WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH 2007			
3.00pm - 7.00pm	ASID Scientific Meeting 2007 Registration Opens in the Mezzanine Foyer		
6.00pm - 7.30pm	'Meet and Greet' Reception sponsored by Sanofi Pasteur at the Hotel Grand Chancellor, Harbour View Room 1		
THURSDAY 22 MARCH 2007			
7.30am	Registration - Mezzanine		
7.30am - 8.20am	Arrival Coffee/Tea - Mezzanine & Federation Ballroom Foyer		
8.20am - 10.00am	Opening and Symposium 1: HIV - The State of the Art Ballroom 2/3		
8.20am - 8.25am	Alistair McGregor - Convenor Local Organising Committee		
8.25am - 8.30am	Lindsay Grayson - President of ASID		
8.30am - 9.00am	Scott Hammer - Harold C. Neu Professor of Medicine, Professor of Epidemiology and Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Columbia University Medical Center, USA		
9.00am - 9.20am	Pam Palasantiran - Dept Paediatric Immunology & Infectious Diseases, Sydney Childrens Hospital		
9.20am - 9.40am	Greg Dore - National Centre in HIV Epidemiology & Clinical Research, Sydney, Australia		
9.40am - 10.00am	Andrew Carr - Associate Professor of Medicine, University of New South Wales and specialist in the HIV, Immunology and Infectious Diseases Unit, St Vincent's Hospital, Sydney, Australia		
10.00am - 10.30am	Morning Tea & Poster Viewing sponsored by Orphan Australia- Mezzanine & Federation Ballroom Foyer		
10.30am - 12.00pm	Symposium 2: CNS Infections Ballroom 2/3		
10.30am - 11.00am	Dale Fisher - National University of Singapore		
11.00am - 11.30am	Caroline Marshall - Clinical Research Fellow, Centre for Clinical Research Excellence in Infectious Diseases, University of Melbourne and Infectious Diseases Physician, Victorian Infectious Diseases Service, Royal Melbourne Hospital		
11.30am - 12.00pm	Mike Starr - Infectious Diseases Physician, Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne		
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Lunch & Poster Viewing - Federation Ballroom & Foyer		
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Paediatric SIG Business Meeting Harbour View 1	12.00pm - 1.00pm	Mycology SIG Business Meeting Chancellor 6
1.00pm - 2.30pm	Symposium 3: Theory and Practice Ballroom 2/3		
1.00pm - 1.30pm	Kieren Marr - Associate Member, Infectious Diseases Program, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, and Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA		
1.30pm - 1.50pm	Karin Thursky - Research Fellow, Royal Melbourne Hospital		
1.50pm - 2.10pm	Alan Street - Deputy Director, Victorian Infectious Diseases Service (VIDS), Royal Melbourne Hospital		
2.10pm - 2.30pm	Monica Slavin - Head, Infectious Diseases, Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute, Royal Melbourne Hospital		
2.30pm - 3.00pm	Afternoon Tea & Poster Viewing sponsored by Orphan Australia - Mezzanine & Federation Ballroom Foyer		
3.00pm - 4.15pm	Proffered Paper 1 Ballroom 2/3	3.00pm - 4.15pm	Proffered Paper 2 Ballroom 1
4.15pm - 5.30pm	Free Time		
5.30pm - 8.00pm	Paediatric and Mycology Special Interest Groups Joint Plenary Ballroom 2/3		
5.30pm - 6.15pm	Kieren Marr - Associate Member, Infectious Diseases Program, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, and Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA		
6.15pm - 6.45pm	Break: Finger Food Provided - Mezzanine		
6.45pm - 8.00pm	Paediatric SIG Break Out Meeting Ballroom 1	6.45pm - 8.00pm	Mycology SIG Break Out Meeting Ballroom 2/3
Evening	Free Time		

FRIDAY 23 MARCH 2007

7.30am	Registration - Mezzanine		
8.00am - 9.30am	Registrar Presentations and Breakfast Meeting - 'The Cutting Edge'		
	Ballroom 2/3 Chairs: Mike Whitby and Tim Blackmore		
9.00am - 9.40am	Arrival Coffee/Tea - Mezzanine		
9.40am - 10.30am	Award Presentation		
	Ballroom 1		
9.40am - 9.45am	Frank Fenner Award Announcement of the Frank Fenner Award for Advanced Research in Infectious Diseases		
9.45am - 10.10am	Presentation by Recipient of the Frank Fenner Award for Advanced Research in Infectious Diseases		
10.15am - 10.45am	Morning Tea & Poster Viewing - Mezzanine & Federation Ballroom Foyer		
10.45am - 12.45pm	Symposium 4: Vaccines		
	Ballroom 2/3		
10.45am - 11.15am	Ian Frazer - Director of the Centre for Immunology and Cancer Research, University of Queensland, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane, Australia		
11.15am - 11.45am	Ruth Bishop - Senior Principal Research Fellow, Murdoch Children's Research Institute, Royal Children's Hospital		
11.45am - 12.05pm	Peter McIntyre - Director of The National Centre for Immunisation Research (NCIRS), The Children's Hospital at Westmead		
12.05pm - 12.25pm	Margaret Burgess - Honorary Professor & Director, The National Centre for Immunisation Research (NCIRS), University of Sydney		
12.25pm - 12.45pm	Discussion		
12.45pm - 1.45pm	Lunch in Cove Restaurant & Poster Viewing in Federation Ballroom Foyer		
12.45pm - 1.45pm	HIC SIG Business Meeting		
	Harbour View 1		
1.45pm - 3.15pm	Proffered Paper 3	1.45pm - 3.15pm	Proffered Paper 4
	Ballroom 2/3		Ballroom 1
3.15pm - 3.45pm	Afternoon Tea & Poster Viewing - Mezzanine & Federation Ballroom Foyer		
3.45pm - 5.15pm	Symposium 5: Infection Control		
	Ballroom 2/3		
3.45pm - 4.30pm	Alison McGeer - Professor in the Departments of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology and Public Health Sciences, University of Toronto, Canada		
4.30pm - 5.15pm	John Ferguson - Infectious Diseases Physician, John Hunter Hospital, Newcastle		
Evening	Free Evening		

SATURDAY 24 MARCH 2007

7.30am	Registration - Mezzanine		
7.30am - 8.30am	Arrival Coffee/Tea - Mezzanine		
8.30am - 10.00am	Symposium 6: Skin and Deeper		
	Ballroom 2/3		
8.30am - 9.00am	Harsha Sheorey - Medical Microbiologist, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne		
9.00am - 9.30am	Kieren Marr - Associate Member, Infectious Diseases Program, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, and Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA		
9.30am - 10.00am	Greg Woods - Associate Professor, School of Medicine, and Coordinator, Cancer and Immunology Research Group, University of Tasmania, Hobart, Australia		
10.00am - 10.30am	Morning Tea & Poster Viewing - Mezzanine & Federation Ballroom Foyer		
10.30am - 12.00pm	Proffered Paper 5	10.30am - 12.00pm	Proffered Paper 6
	Ballroom 2/3		Ballroom 1
12.00pm - 1.15pm	Lunch & Poster Viewing - Federation Ballroom & Foyer		
12.00pm - 1.15pm	ASID AGM		
	Ballroom 1		
1.15pm - 2.45pm	Symposium 7: Coming, Going, Eternally Going and Gone?		
	Ballroom 2/3		
	Chair: Alistair McGregor		
1.15pm - 1.45pm	Alison McGeer - Professor in the Departments of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology and Public Health Sciences, University of Toronto, Canada		
1.45pm - 2.15pm	Bart Currie - Infectious Diseases Physician at Royal Darwin Hospital and Professor in Medicine at the Northern Territory Clinical School, Flinders University		
2.15pm - 2.45pm	Frank Fenner - Visiting Fellow, John Curtin School of Medical Research, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia		
2.45pm - 3.15pm	Afternoon Tea & Poster Viewing - Mezzanine & Federation Ballroom Foyer		
3.15pm - 3.45pm	Oral Poster Session		
	Ballroom 2/3		
	Chairs: Lindsay Grayson and Alistair McGregor		
3.45pm - 4.45pm	Sir Macfarlane Burnet Address		
	Ballroom 2/3 Chairs: Lindsay Grayson and Alistair McGregor		
3.45pm - 4.45pm	Scott Hammer - Harold C. Neu Professor of Medicine, Professor of Epidemiology and Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Columbia University Medical Center, USA		
4.45pm - 4.50pm	Presentation of Next Year's Meeting by Tony Allworth - Convenor Local Organising Committee ASID Meeting 2008		
4.50pm - 4.55pm	Closing Remarks by Alistair McGregor - Convenor Local Organising Committee ASID Meeting 2007		
7.00pm - 11.00pm	ASID Conference Dinner - Meadowbank Estate		