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Head of School Report

The physical and human face of the School of Psychology has continued to change over 2005 and 2006. Indeed, we were so busy dealing with these changes that we decided to consolidate this document into a Biennial Report. 2005 was a disrupted and relatively uncomfortable year for many staff and students as they were ‘decanted’ to various locations, including the ‘dungeons’ of Fisher Library stacks, while the Griffith-Taylor Building was refurbished. This period was particularly disruptive for staff and students whose research depends on the Animal House which also closed down for refurbishment and suffered ongoing disruptions as the breeding program was re-established over early 2006. Fortunately, although he retired in mid-2005, Dr John Predebon accepted a contract to repeat his very efficient and effective management of the enormous logistic task of ‘recanting’ back into Griffith-Taylor during early 2006. Despite some ongoing problems with air conditioning and balancing the social and intellectual benefits of the new open-plan post-graduate accommodation with the pressure of living in close quarters, the refurbishment has yielded dramatic improvements in the functional organisation and aesthetic appearance of Griffith-Taylor. The relocation of all teaching laboratories to Old Teachers’ College has considerably reduced student traffic and increased laboratory space. The expanded Animal House also provides state-of-the-art facilities for conducting behavioural, neurochemical and immunohistochemical research with rats, a new teaching laboratory and enhanced breeding facilities.

The completion of the refurbishment of the (newly named) Brennan-McCallum and Griffith-Taylor Buildings is the outcome of more than a decade of battling to secure improved accommodation for Psychology and an extremely long and disruptive refurbishment process that stretched out more than three years and required the investment of vast amounts of time from many staff - most notably Ian Curthoys, Bob Boakes, John Predebon and John Holden. Thanks to their efforts, and the support of Beryl Hesketh from her position first as Dean of Science and subsequently as Pro Vice-Chancellor of the College of Science and Technology, we are now experiencing the benefits of both enhanced accommodation and geographical consolidation of all areas of the School except the Clinical Psychology Unit. The ongoing increase in our research activities and staffing has already filled the additional space gained through the refurbishment so a new battle for further space will need to be initiated. However, the improved facilities have considerably enhanced the appearance and functionality of our physical environment and contributed to a vibrant and productive atmosphere, including a well-used staff common room that, perhaps symbolically, occupies the location of the old staff club. The refurbishment has also allowed us to more effectively display items from the Psychology Museum and to honour Alison Turtle’s significant contributions to collecting and conserving them by naming the collection in her memory following her untimely death in April, 2006.

There have also been many changes to our academic staff profile over 2005-6. Ian Curthoys and Bob Boakes retired from their academic positions and were awarded Emeritus Professorships in recognition of their sustained and distinguished contributions to the School and University. Dr Diana Caime also resigned to take up a position at the University of Manchester. Seven new continuing academic appointments were made in the areas of perception, cognition, clinical, developmental and differential psychology and four new externally-funded Research Fellows joined the School. A number of staff have also been promoted – Michael Cavanagh to Lecturer; Margaret Charles, Fiona Hibberd and Fiona White to Senior Lecturer; Louise Sharpe and Michael Walker to Associate Professor; and Iain McGregor to Professor.

The School also continued its increasing trajectory of research performance. Research income, which was around $2.3 million in 2004, increased by more than $1 million each year to reach $4.5 million in 2006. This increase is due, in part, to the outstanding success of Prof Phyllis Butow’s Medical Psychology Research Unit in attracting research funds and to the substantial support that A/Prof Michael Walker has received from the Department of Gaming and Racing to expand the Gambling Treatment Clinic. However, it also reflects an increase in the proportion of individual staff - and the range of research areas – supported by external research funds. We also maintained the very strong rate of research degree completions set in 2004 and further improved our average time to completion.

The major changes in our undergraduate courses over 2005-6 were driven by the University’s decision to standardise courses at 6 credit points. Considerable effort was invested by both academic and administrative staff to implement this change across our undergraduate programme – the revisions to 1st and 2nd year units were introduced in 2005 and those to 3rd year units in 2006. In tandem with these changes, Web-CT portals were created for all undergraduate units and many staff used Web-CT to introduce new assessment tasks, interactive practical activities and follow-up/extension material for students to use outside of class. Dr Fiona White played a particularly crucial role in overseeing and supporting the implementation of Web-CT, mentoring staff in the
effective use of Web-CT to enhance teaching and learning and securing University and Faculty support for Web-CT initiatives. Student feedback indicates that the changes have been well received and that the increased use of Web-CT is facilitating the provision of early feedback and providing opportunities for students to increase their engagement and interaction with staff and other students through discussion boards.

At the postgraduate level, the Doctorate of Clinical Psychology (DCP) continued to attract very high quality students and to maintain its success in ensuring timely research completions. Following Diana Caine’s departure, an evaluation of the resource requirements of running both the DCP and the Doctorate of Clinical Neuropsychology (DCN) led to a decision not to enrol new students into the DCN so that the existing neuropsychology staff could focus on currently enrolled students. The DCP programme was subsequently revised in the light of this decision to re-integrate neuropsychology into the DCP. The postgraduate coursework programmes in Coaching Psychology continued to attract strong enrolments from both the Faculty of Science and the Faculty of Economics and Business. To reflect the School’s increasing strength in health psychology, a new suite of post-graduate coursework programmes in health psychology were developed for introduction in 2007. Dr Barbara Mullan, who was appointed to achieve this task, was extremely effective and efficient in implementing the required University administrative procedures and developing collaborative relationships with Public Health and Health Sciences to facilitate this venture. A decision was made to discontinue the Graduate Diploma in Science (Psychology), that has provided an alternative 4th year programme, in order to reduce the administrative demands associated with running two parallel 4th year programmes and allow a small increase in the quota for the very competitive Honours programme.

As incoming Head of School in 2005, I maintained the School’s existing administrative structures. The major committees – ‘Teaching’, ‘Research’, ‘Postgraduate’ and ‘Resources’ – together with the Head of School Advisory Committee, continued to function well, reflecting the highly effective involvement of academic, administrative and technical staff. My transition into the role of Head was facilitated by the willingness of my predecessors, Ian Curthoys and Bob Boakes to provide advice and support and by David Livesey’s calm, efficient, informed approach to his role as Deputy Head of School. It would be impossible to carry out my role without the amazing stamina, skill, commitment and sustained long hours contributed by Sandra Cheng who has maintained our healthy budget, well-ordered accounts and effective personnel procedures in the face of ongoing changes in Central financial and personnel systems. The School’s effective functioning also depends crucially on the commitment and effectiveness of our student administration and technical staff. Anne Kwan and the student administration team continued to ensure that all the complexities and individual detail generated by the School’s many teaching programs and very high enrolments were handled as smoothly as ever, despite pressures created by staffing changes. Despite the resignation of our long-term IT Manager, Andrew Cartwright, the School has continued to experience exceptional IT support thanks to Ethel Harris and Nenad Petkovski very effectively “stepping into Andrew’s shoes”. Sadhana Raju has also continued to manage her diverse range of activities – including organization of marketing and alumni activities, Summer School courses, social and publicity events as well as filling in for a variety of administrative staff during periods of leave – as cheerfully, effectively and flexibly as ever.

2005 and 2006 were extremely successful years for the School. As well as sustaining our enrolments and performance in undergraduate and postgraduate teaching, we have doubled our research income and improved all of our research indicators. These achievements have strongly enhanced the School’s reputation within the University and among other Psychology departments. We could not have done it without the excellent support provided by our general staff – or without the commitment, enthusiasm and conscientiousness of all academic staff and postgraduate students. I am very honoured to lead such an active, successful and collegial team.

Sally Andrews
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Professor Robert Ladouceur (Universite Laval, Quebec)
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Professor Michael Rosenbaum (Tel Aviv University)
Dr Karen Salmon (UNSW)
Professor Laura Siminoff (Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland)

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Caroline Miguel (Universite Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels)
Daniel Schreijj (Vrije University, Amsterdam)
Professor Sally Andrews

Research Interests
The central focus of my research is on lexical processing and its relationship to reading skill: how do skilled language users represent and retrieve their knowledge about the words; how do these cognitive capabilities develop; and how does lexical processing contribute to reading skill. In addition to using standard methods from experimental psycholinguistics, I have applied a number of innovative methods to investigate these issues. In collaboration with Andrew Heathcote, I have been analyzing the reaction time distributions obtained in different word identification tasks to provide more sophisticated insight into the processes underlying performance than is possible from mean reaction time. I have also been using the repetition blindness effects obtained in conditions of rapid serial visual presentation to determine how lexical processing contributes to sentence comprehension.

I am also a member of a research team jointly funded by the ARC and three fire services to apply knowledge and methods derived from cognitive psychology to develop effective methods for training firefighters.

Grants 2005-2006

Project Title: Lexical retrieval & reading comprehension: Binding perceptual, lexical & conceptual information in on-line reading
Funding Source: Australian Research Council Discovery grant 2003-5, $163,000

Project Title: Training for adaptability: The role of errors, exceptions and rules of thumb (with B. Hesketh, A. Neal, G. Dewsnap, P. Robeson & K. Jesser)
Funding Source: Australian Research Council Linkage grant 2004-7, $673,500

Project Title: Lexical expertise and reading skill: An experimental analysis of individual differences in written language proficiency
Funding Source: Australian Research Council Discovery grant 2006-8, $202,500

Project Title: Enabling Human Communication. (Lead CIs R. Dale & D. Burnham)
Funding Source: Australian Research Council Network grant 2004-8, $2,000,000

Publications 2005-2006


**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

Member, College of Experts, Australian Research Council (2003-5)

**Membership of Editorial Boards**

Associate Editor, Memory & Cognition

Editorial Board, Psychological Review

Editorial Board, Journal of Memory and Language

Editorial Board, Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning Memory & Cognition

**Manuscript Reviewing**

Emotion (1)

Language and Cognitive Processes (3)

Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory & Cognition (9)

Journal of Experimental Psychology: General (2)
Journal of Memory and Language (8)  
Memory & Cognition (20)  
Perception & Psychophysics (1)  
Psychological Review (8)  
Psychonomic Bulletin & Review (1)  
Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology (1)  
Scientific Studies of Reading (1)  

Grant Reviewing  
Australian Research Council  
National Health and Medical Research Council  
National Science Foundation, USA  

External Thesis Examination  
Melbourne University, PhD  

Professional Affiliations  
Fellow: Academy of Social Sciences of Australia  
Member: Australian Psychology Society (APS)  
Member: National Committee for Psychology  
Member: Australian Experimental Psychological Society  
Member: Psychonomic Society (USA)  

Professor Alex Blaszczynski  

Research Interests  

• Pathological Gambling: Epidemiological studies indicate that approximately 2% to 5% of adults meet criteria for pathological gambling. I have advanced an integrated pathway model incorporating cognitive, experiential and biological factors describing the etiology and three possible subtypes of this condition. Current research is directed toward the development of a screen to identify specific pathological gambling subtypes, and to fully understand the construct of the disorder and cognitive belief structures that maintain persistence in gambling. Structural characteristics of electronic gaming machines and their role in causing impaired control will be investigated.  
• Impulse Control Behaviours: Impaired control is the central feature of this category of repetitive behaviours. However, the role of impulsivity and the specific reinforcement derived from behaviours that are associated with negative consequences remains unclear. I am planning studies that will explore the similarities and differences in traits of impulsivity and cognitions between various impulse control disorders.  
• Measurement of Irrational Beliefs: The cognitive model of gambling is based on the assumption that irrational and erroneous beliefs contribute to the onset and maintenance of pathological gambling behaviours. I am interested in determining if pathological gamblers manifest irrational beliefs prior to gambling (predisposition) or if such cognitions emerge as a consequence of their experiences.  
• Post Traumatic Stress: Post traumatic stress reactions commonly follow trauma but only a minority experience a post traumatic disorder. Identification of traits and vulnerability factors are important in the early detection of those at risk for PTSD. Personality traits and cognitive schemas may act as resilience factors. The SPARS model is currently being tested in group of patients sustaining road trauma.

Alex Blaszczynski: Differences in attitudes toward money between subgroups of gamblers: Implications for smart-card technologies and an exploration of the Tool and Drug Theories of Money in gambling. Queensland Government Treasury. Total funds: AUD$128,516


Blaszczynski, A. (2005). To formulate gambling policies on the premise that problem gambling is an addiction may be premature. [Commentary]. Addiction, 100, 1230-1231.

Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Goulet, A., Savard, C., Ladouceur, R., & Blaszczynski, A. Évaluation de la question monétaire au jeu XXVIIIe Congrès de la Société Québécoise de Psychologie (SQRP), Montréal, Canada, May 2006.


Blaszczynski, A. Depression, gambling and suicidality: cause, catalyst or common factors? Suicide Prevention Information of New Zealand, Dunedin, New Zealand, 28-29 November 2006.

Other Publications


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Membership of Editorial Boards
Member, International Advisory Board, Electronic Journal of Gambling Issues.
Regional Assistant Editor Australasia, Addiction.
International Advisor Editorial Board member, Electronic Journal of Gambling Issues
International Gambling Studies, Co-editor
Consulting Reader, Psychological Reports
Consulting Reader, Perceptual & Motor Skills
Reviewer, Australian and New Zealand Journal of Psychiatry
Reviewer, Medical Journal of Australia

Manuscript Reviewing
Addictions (3)
International Gambling Studies (1)
Journal of Gambling Studies (1)
Addiction Research and Theory (2)
Psychologie Française (1)
International Journal of Mental Health (1)
Psychiatry Research (1)
Personality and Individual Differences (3)
Electronic Journal of Gambling Issues (4)
Journal of Addiction Medicine (1)
Biological Psychiatry (1)
Journal of Gambling Issues (1)

Grant Reviewing
Ontario Problem Gambling Research Centre (6)
Alberta Gambling Research Institute (1)
Medical Research Council (UK) (1)

Professional Affiliations
Member: Australian Psychology Society, College of Clinical Psychologists
Member: American Institute for the Study of Gambling and Commercial Gaming
Member: Australian Association for Cognitive Behaviour Therapy
Member: European Association for Gambling Studies
Member: New York Academy of Sciences
Advisory Board: International Centre for the Study, Treatment and Prevention of Youth Gamblers
Member: Australian Psychological Society
Member and Australian Psychological Representative on the Motor Accident Authority of NSW
Working Party on the Anxiety Management in PTSD Guideline Project
Member: Expert Consultative Committee, Crown Casino
Advisory Board Member, of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction, The International Institute of Health Studies

Other contributions
**Professor Phyllis Butow**

*Research Interests*

My research interests are within the field of Health Psychology, including psychological impact of disease, factors influencing coping and adjustment to disease, evaluation of health services, health education and behavioural interventions, measurement, evaluation and interventions within health professional-patient communication, predictors of treatment compliance, psychometric measurement and test development.

*Current Appointments*

- NHMRC Principal Research Fellow, University of Sydney
- Director, Medical Psychology Research Unit, University of Sydney
- Co-Director, Surgical Outcomes Research Centre, Central Sydney Area Health Service and University of Sydney
- Clinical Professor, Dept of Psychological Medicine, University of Sydney

*Grants 2005 - 2006*


Tattersall MHN, Butow P, Boyer M, Salkeld G, Hagerty R. Cancer Institute of NSW Cancer Health Services Research Partnerships Grant. Implementing strategies to improve doctor-patient communication and increase patient involvement in decision making. 2006: $100,000.


Butow P, Clarke S, Dhillon H. Improving informed consent and decision-making: multimedia and targeted feedback to patients about medical procedures. University of Sydney near miss scheme. 2006: $13,000.


**Publications 2005-2006**

*Book Chapters*


*Journal Articles*


Price, M., Butow, P. & Kirsten, L. (2006) Support and training needs of cancer support group leaders: A review. *Psycho-Oncology*. 15(8), 651-663


Hagerty R.G., Butow P.N., Ellis P.M., & Tattersall M.H.N. (2005) Communicating prognosis in


**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**

**International**


Australian


Price MA, Butow PN, Grivas D, Webb PM, Loos C. Psychological distress, social support and unmet support needs of women with ovarian cancer and their informal caregivers. *3rd Australian Health and Medical Research Congress*, November 2006, Melbourne.


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards:**
Patient Education and Counselling
Psycho-Oncology

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Patient Education and Counselling (~10)
Journal of Clinical Oncology (~10)
Journal of Palliative Care (~10)
Psycho-Oncology (~10)
Grant Reviewing
Cancer Councils of NSW, Queensland, Victoria, SA, WA and Tasmania
National Health and Medical Research Council

External Thesis Examination
Australian National University, MSc
The University of Melbourne, PhD (x2)
University of Newcastle, PhD

Professional Affiliations
Member of Research Advisory Committee: Cancer Australia (2006–)
Member: Psychosocial Working Group, National Breast Cancer Centre
Chair: Communication Skills Working Group, National Breast Cancer Centre
Member of Board and Research Committee: Cancer Council NSW
Member of Board: Cancer Support Centre, Griffith University and Queensland Cancer Fund, Collaborative Centre for Psycho-Oncology (-2005)
Member: Scientific Advisory Group, Pam Maclean Communication Skills Training Centre, Royal North Shore Hospital
Member: Scientific Advisory Committee, Breast Cancer Network, Australia (-April 2005)
Member of Executive Committee and Chair Psychosocial Working Group: Kathleen Cunningham Consortium for Research into Familial Breast Cancer Cancer (KConFab)
Member: Patient Support Working Group, Cancer Institute NSW/ CCNSW
Member of Board: International Psycho-Oncology Society (IPOS)
Chair: Psycho-Oncology Research Co-operative Group (2005–)

Other contributions
Awards
Dukoff Visiting Professor, Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre, New York, USA. 2005
University of Sydney College of Sciences and Technology Outstanding Academic Mentor Award 2005
Pfizer Visiting Professor in Health Literacy / Clear Health Communication, Rochester University, NY, USA, 2006

Invited plenaries in international setting
Butow P. Shared decision-making. Sloan Kettering Cancer Institute, as part of the Dukoff Visiting Professorship, 2005.
Butow P, Boyle F. Meet the Professor: Discussing prognosis in cancer care. ASCO, Atlanta, Georgia USA, June 2006.
Butow P. Communication, cancer and mental health. Department of Psychiatry, University of Rochester, New York State, USA, June 2006.
Butow P. Emerging priorities in cancer communication research with vulnerable populations: Making a difference. Family Medicine Research Centre, University of Rochester, New York State, USA, June 2006.
Butow P. Cancer support groups: Patient and leader outcomes. Symposium Chair: International Psycho-Oncology Congress, Venice, October 2006.
Butow P, Visiting Professor, Prof JC de Haas, *Department of Medical Psychology, Academic Medical Centre*, Amsterdam, November 2006.

**Invited plenaries in Australia**
Butow P. Stress and Burnout in Oncology Professionals. *COSA*, Melbourne, November 2006.

**Invited addresses in Australia**

**Workshops delivered**
Communication skills workshops to cancer professionals. On behalf of the National Breast Cancer Centre. 24 workshops between 1999 and 2006.
Train-the-trainer communication skills workshops. On behalf of the National Breast Cancer Centre. 4 workshops between 2001 and 2006.
Communication skills workshops. On behalf of the Pam Maclean Medical Communication Skills Training Centre. 24 workshops between 2001 and 2006.
Communication skills training. Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre NY USA, 2005.

**Professor Iain S. McGregor**

**Research Interests**
I have broad research interests in the areas of neuroscience and psychopharmacology. I am particularly interested in assessing the long-term effects of addictive drugs and alcohol on behaviour and brain function. I am also interested in the development of animal models of anxiety disorders and depression and in the pharmacological treatment of these disorders. The sense of smell (olfaction) and the behavioral and neural effects of pheromones are other major research interests.

**Grants 2005 – 2006**

2006-2008  
*Learning about threats: the neural and behavioural response to predator-related cues in rodents.* ARC discovery grant. ($149,000)

2006-2008  
*Cannabis re-intoxication: the causes and consequences of THC release from fat stores into blood.* NH&MRC project grant (with Dr Jonathon Arnold) ($255,000)

2005  
*Upgrade to Animal Learning Laboratory Equipment.* University of Sydney Sesqui Teaching Equipment Grant ($32,322)

2005-2007  
*Age-dependent effects of cannabinoids on emotion, cognition and vulnerability to addiction.* Australian Research Council grant (with Dr Paul Mallet) ($225,000)
2005-2007  Ecstasy, methamphetamine and their combination: assessment of adverse effects. National Health and Medical Research Council grant (with Dr Glenn Hunt) ($379,000)

2006  Behavioural Neuroscience Laboratory Equipment. University of Sydney Major Equipment Grant ($222,000)

2005  Flashback: the release of THC from fat stores by food deprivation or stress University of Sydney R&D grant (with Dr Jonathon Arnold) ($15,000)


Cornish J.C., Lontos J., Clemens K.C. & McGregor I.S. (2005) Dopamine and µ-opiate, but not ¿-opiate receptors of the nucleus accumbens are involved in combine cocaine and heroin (‘speedball’) self-administration. Psychopharmacology, 180 21-32


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


McGregor I.S. Effects of alcohol and other drugs on brain and behavior. Invited keynote address given to Victorian Alcohol and Drug Service Providers Conference, Melbourne, April 2005.


Cornish J.L., Clemens K.J. and McGregor I.S. High ambient temperatures increase the reinforcing effect of methamphetamine self-administration. Presentation at Australian Neuroscience Society annual

McGregor I.S. *From ultra-social to anti-social: the acute and long-term effects of MDMA (Ecstasy) on rat social behaviour*. Invited presentation to be given to the Australian Professional Society on Alcohol and Drugs (APSAD) annual conference. Melbourne, November 2005.

McGregor I.S. *The effects of alcohol and other drugs on the brain and behaviour*. Keynote address given to Victorian Alcohol and Drug Service Providers Conference (*Responding to Alcohol Use in the Community*), April 2005.


I.S. McGregor. Possible adverse effects of party drugs on memory: Evidence from studies with laboratory animals. Invited presentation given to the International Conference on Memory (ICOM-IV), Sydney, July 2006.
Iain McGregor, Lauren Staples, Andrew Hayes, Steve Siviy & Glenn Hunt


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Manuscript Reviewing**
- Guest editor, Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Reviews, Special Issue on Defensive Behavior (19 manuscripts)
- Behavioral Brain Research (2)
- Behavioral Neuroscience (1)
- Chemical Senses (2)
- European Journal of Neuroscience (1)
- European Neuropsychopharmacology (1)
- European Journal of Pharmacology (4)
- Journal of Neuroscience (2)
- Journal of Neuroscience Methods (2)
- Journal of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics (1)
- Journal of Psychopharmacology (1)
- Neupharmacology (3)
- Neuropsychopharmacology (5)
- Neuroscience (5)
- Pharmacology, Biochemistry and Behavior (3)
- Physiology and Behavior (1)
- Progressin Neuropsychopharmacology and Biological Psychiatry (2)
- Psychopharmacology (8)

**Grant Reviewing**
- ARC Discovery grant x 4
- NHMRC project grant x 1
- Australian Brewers Foundation grant x 3
- NZ Health Research Council x 1

**External Thesis Examination**
- University of Melbourne (PhD)
- Victoria University (NZ) (PhD)
- Monash University (DSc)

**Professional Affiliations**
- Member: Australian Neuroscience Society
- Member: Society for Neuroscience (USA)
- Member: International Behavioural Neuroscience Society (USA)
- Member: International Cannabinoid Research Society (USA)
- Member: European Behavioral Pharmacology Society
- Member: Addiction Neuroscience Network Australia
- Member: Serotonin Club

**Other contributions**

**Colloquia**
- Animal models of adolescent drug use: Invited talk given at 150th Anniversary symposium of “Brain and Mind”, Faculty of Medicine, University of Sydney, June 2006.
- The brain on drugs: recent developments in our understanding of ecstasy, speed and cannabis. Invited talk (Jo Wales seminar series) given at James Cook University, Cairns, October 2005.
Beer, fear and ecstasy: tales from the Psychopharmacology laboratory. Invited talk given at Newcastle University, School of Biomedical Sciences, November 2005.
The use of animal models in Psychopharmacology. Invited colloquium given to the Brain and Mind Research Institute, August, 2005.
What party drugs are doing to your brain. Invited presentation given to Neuroscience Showcase, University of Sydney, August, 2005.

Professional contributions
Australasian council representative, International Behavioral Neuroscience Society.
Member, Australian Psychological Society working party on prescription rights for Clinical Psychologists.
Expert witness in psychopharmacology in 3 court cases
External reviewer for promotion and tenure: 1 USA and 1 Canadian application

Media
Magic mushrooms hit the god spot (September 2006) (commentary for the ABC news on recent psilocybin study).
The Ice Age (March 2006) (ABC TV 4 corners special on methamphetamine, featuring interview with Iain McGregor).
A party in your head, but the clean-up is a real mess (Sydney Morning Herald story on methamphetamine, September 2006).

Miscellaneous
PhD student, Kelly Clemens, awarded US$1000 early career award from the USA National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) to present her work at their Frontiers in Addiction Research symposium in Washington DC.

Professor Stephen Touyz

Research Interests
My major research interests are in the areas of clinical psychology, psychiatry, neuropsychology and behavioural medicine. I have gained strong international recognition for studies reporting on body image disturbance in patients with anorexia and bulimia nervosa as well as specific aspects relating to the treatment of these disorders. My pioneering work on operant conditioning programmes in the treatment of anorexia nervosa led to a change as to how such patients were treated worldwide.

Grants 2005-2006

Does a prior history of PTSD contribute to dementia symptomatology in World War II and Korean War Veterans. Commonwealth Department of Veterans Affairs Research Grant (Stephen Touyz, Jonathan Osbourne, Jean Hollis, Phillip Morris, Mark Creamer and Graeme Killer) $72,000. (2006).
Does inpatient weight restoration prior to outpatient family therapy improve outcomes in adolescent anorexia nervosa? National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant (2007 – 2010). $528,000 (with James Locke, Daniel Le Grange, Sloane Madden, Michael Kohn and Paul Rhodes).


Publications 2005-2006

Book

Chapter in Books & Articles in Scientific Journals


**Papers Presented at Scientific Meetings (Published as Abstracts)**


Hollis, J., Touyz, S.W., Grayson, D. and Forrester, L. Mortality rates associated with antipsychotic medication dispensing in elderly veterans and war widows. Proceedings of the 2nd Research Seminar of the New South Wales Department of Veteran’s Affairs, Sydney, 10th March 2005.

Maguire, S., Touyz, S.W., Surgenor L., Le Grange, D., Lacey, H. Staging anorexia nervosa according
Touyz, S.W. and Vartanian, L. DSM 5 and beyond: Dare to dream about a world without EDNOS? Proceedings of the 3rd National Conference of the Australian and New Zealand Academy of Eating Disorders, August 2005.


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)
Membership of Editorial Boards
European Eating Disorders Review

Manuscript Reviewing
Journal of Psychosomatic Research x 1
Stress & Health x 1
Australian Psychologist x 1
Behaviour Research & Therapy x 1

External Thesis Examination
The University of Melbourne (DPsych)
James Cook University (MClinPsych)
ANU (DPsych)

Professional Affiliations
Fellow of the Academy of Eating Disorders (American)
Fellow of the Australian Psychological Society
Member: College of Clinical Psychologists of APS
Member: Australian Association for Cognitive & Behaviour Therapy
Member: Australian Society for Psychiatric Research
International Affiliate: The American Psychological Society
Member: Eating Disorders Research Society (USA)
Member: American Psychological Association, International Affiliate
Member: European Council on Eating Disorders
Inaugural Member: Australian and New Zealand Academy of Eating Disorders (Hon. Treasurer)

Other contributions

Executive Member: Eating Disorders Foundation (carer organization)
Co-Director Peter Beumont centre for Eating Disorders
Consultant Clinical Psychologist to the Eating Disorders Programme at Westmead Hospital

Media

Emeritus Professor Robert A. Boakes

Research interests

My major interest is in the psychology of learning, ranging from research involving animals to aspects of human learning, including the application of laboratory-based principles to real-life problems. Current projects listed below include many of which involve collaboration with postgraduate students under my supervision.

With human participants:
  • Changing perception of odours and flavours.
  • Causal and contingency learning.
  • Placebo effects.
  • Perceptual learning and wine expertise.
With rats as participants
  • Flavour preference and aversion learning.
  • The relationships between activity, food intake and body weight.
  • Delay of reinforcement and conditioned behaviour.

Grants 2005-2006


Publications 2005-2006


**Other Publications**


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**
*Journal of Experimental Psychology: Animal Behavior Processes*

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Quarterly *Journal of Experimental Psychology: 4 (2005); none (2006)*
*Behavior Processes: 1 (2005); 1(2006)*
*Physiology & Behavior: 1 (2005); none (2006)*
*Learning & Behavior: none (2005); 2 (2006).*

**Grant Reviewing**
Australian Research council grant applications: 10 in 2005; 4 in 2006
Katholiek Univ Leuven, Belgium: 1 application in 2005

**External Thesis Examination**
*Macquarie University (PhD)*
*Faculty of Vet Science, U of Sydney (PhD)*

**Professional Affiliations**
*Convenor: Australian Learning Group*
*Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia*
*Member: Experimental Psychology Society (UK)*

**Other contributions**
Contributed to symposium on evaluative learning at EPC meeting in Melbourne, April 2005.
Two invited symposium contributions at the joint EPS/BBSRC meeting in Montreal, July, 2005: one symposium on taste aversion learning and one on verbal overshadowing.
Presented paper on flavour preference learning at the ALG International Conference, Magnetic Island, Queensland in July, 2006, and at the Spanish Society for Comparative Psychology meeting in Malaga, September, 2006.
Gave colloquia on ‘Activity and weight loss in the rat’ in the Schools of Psychology at the University of Sydney and at UNSW in August, 2006.
Emeritus Professor Ian Curthoys

Research Interests

Balance function and dysfunction – the vestibular system of the inner ear- its normal operation and the development of clinical tests of balance function and providing the physiological basis for those tests. The anatomy and the physiology of this system and the oculomotor responses and the perceptual responses caused by vestibular stimulation.

Grants 2005 - 2006


National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant. Oculomotor tests of otolith function using human centrifugation. Curthoys IS

National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant. Behavioural and physiological tests of clinical indicators of vestibular function. Curthoys IS

Publications 2005 - 2006

Chapters in Books


Journal Articles


stimulus response properties in superior canal dehiscence. *Neurology* 66 (7) 1079-87


**Conference Abstracts/Presentations:**


Mbongo F, MacDougall HG, Curthoys IS, Tran Ba Huy P, Vidal PP, de Waele C. Dynamic postural performance of patients suffering from peripheral vestibular deficits. Barany Society Meeting Uppsala, 2006


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)
Membership of Editorial Boards

Experimental Brain Research
Brain Research Bulletin

Manuscript Reviewing
Experimental Brain Research – 9
Brain Research Bulletin – 2
Journal of Physiology – 2
Current Biology – 1
Acta Otolaryngologica – 2
Hippocampus – 1
Neurology – 1
Journal of Experimental Biology – 1
IOVS – 1
Progress in Neurobiology – 1
Journal of Morphology – 1
Brain – 1
Audiology and Otology – 1
JARO - 1
Neuroscience Letters – 1
Hearing Research – 2

Grant Reviewing
ARC – 2
NZ HRC – 1
Swiss Science Foundation – 1
NHMRC – 1
Garnett Passe and Rodney Williams - 2

External Thesis Examination
Hong Kong University (PhD)

Professional Affiliations (2005-2006)
Member: Barany Society for Vestibular Research
Member: AAAS
Member: Society for Neuroscience
Member: Neuro-otological Society of Australia

Other Contributions
I was a member of the Scientific Committee for 7th Conference on the Role of the Vestibular Organs in Space Exploration, Noordwijk, Netherlands June 7-9 2006.

Visiting Post Doc: Dr Shinichi Iwasaki 9.1.06-31.8.06
Visiting Scientist: Dr Laura Mezey 20.2.2006 - 31.3.2006
Associate Professor Colin Clifford

The primary research focus of my laboratory is vision, including how we perceive motion and form, how context affects our perception, and how our visual awareness might be related to the underlying neural processing.

Grants 2005 - 2006

Australian Research Council Discovery Grant. Interactions between vision and touch. Harris, J.A. & Clifford, C.W.G. $340,000

Australian Research Council Discovery Grant. Processing and awareness in dynamic vision. Clifford, C.W.G. $570,000

National Health and Medical Research Council Project Grant. Using contextual effects to test theories of coding in visual cortex. Ibbotson, M.R. & Clifford, C.W.G. $190,000


Publications 2005 - 2006

Edited Books

Book Chapters


Refereed Journal Articles


**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**


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Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Current Biology (6)
European Journal of Cognitive Psychology (1)
IEEE Trans. PAMI (2)
Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience (1)
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance (1)
Journal of the Optical Society of America: A (2)
Journal of Vision (6)
Nature Neuroscience (1)
Perception (2)
Perception and Psychophysics (1)
Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the USA (1)
Proceedings of the Royal Society of London Series B: Biological Sciences (2)
Psychiatry Research (1)
Psychological Science (2)
Trends in Cognitive Sciences (1)
Vision Research (5)
Visual Neuroscience (1)

Grant Reviewing
Australian Research Council Discovery Projects (18)
Royal Society of New Zealand Marsden Fund (1)
Swiss National Science Foundation (1)
External Thesis Examination
University of Adelaide (PhD)
UWA (PhD)

Professional Affiliations
Member: Australian Neuroscience Society
Member: Vision Sciences Society

Other Contributions

Invited Colloquia
Psychology Colloquium, University of Newcastle, 12 October 2006.
Prince of Wales Medical Research Institute, Sydney, 1 March 2006.
Neuroinformatics Colloquium, University of Zurich & Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH), 17 June 2005.
University of Giessen, Germany, 27 April 2005.
University of Muenster, Germany, 26 April 2005.
Freitag Kolloquium, Max Planck Institute for Biological Cybernetics, Tübingen, Germany, 22 April 2005.
Psychology Department Seminar, Trinity College Dublin, 4 March 2005.

Conference organisation
Member of the local organising committee of the Australian Neuroscience Society Meeting, Sydney, 31 Jan – 3 Feb 2006.
Organizer of “Adaptation: neural, psychological, and computational aspects”, Satellite Workshop at Computational & Systems Neuroscience, Utah, March 9-10 2006, in collaboration with Odelia Schwartz (Salk) and Peter Dayan (Gatsby).
Member of the programme committee for the 4th Asian Conference on Vision, Matsue, Japan, 28 July – 1 August 2006.

Associate Professor Ann Louise Sharpe

Research Interests
My research interests are in Health Psychology, including the psychological impact of disease, psychological adjustment to disease, development of innovative psychological interventions to facilitate adjustment to illness and evaluation of interventions to prevent physical and psychological morbidity in patients with ill health. I currently have three specific areas of interest:

(1) Understanding the process of adjustment in patients with rheumatoid arthritis (RA) and other illnesses.
(2) The efficacy of cognitive and/or behavioural treatments (CBT) in the management of chronic pain (CP) and RA.
(3) The role of hypervigilance in the development, maintenance, prevention and treatment of chronic pain.

Grants 2005-2006


National Health and Medical Research Council: Hypervigilance in the development of chronic pain. Louise Sharpe, Michael Nicholas and Kathryn Refshauge ($240,500)
University of Sydney Bridging Grant: Hypervigilance in the development of chronic pain. Louise Sharpe, Michael Nicholas and Kathryn Refshauge ($55,000)

University of Sydney Cancer Research Fund: Predictors of psychological distress amongst colorectal cancer patients. Louise Sharpe and Stephen Clarke ($91,000)

Publications 2005-2006


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Other Publications

Sharpe, L. Psychological treatments for rheumatological disorders. Therapy Adviser Website. (sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health, USA)

Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Membership of Editorial Boards
Australian Psychologist

Manuscript Reviewing
Addiction
The Lancet
Patient Education and Counseling
Clinical Psychologist
Arthritis Care Research
Behaviour Research and Therapy
Cognitive Therapy Research
Arthritis Rheumatism
The Journal of Pain
European Journal of Pain
Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics
Journal of Economic Psychology
Gambling Research
Journal of Traumatic Stress
Journal of Psychosomatic Research
Grant Reviewing
ARC
NHMRC
Arthritis Foundation UK
Israel Health Research Council
Diabetes Australia

External Thesis Examination
University of Queensland (PhD)
University of Auckland (PhD)
Macquarie University (DCP)
University of Western Australia (MSc)

Professional Affiliations
Chair: NSW Section of The College of Clinical Psychologists (APS)
Executive Committee Member: National College of Clinical Psychologists (APS)
Member: Australian Psychological Society
Member: British Psychological Society – Division of Clinical Psychology
Member: Australian Association of Cognitive & Behavioural Therapy
Member: British Association of Behavioural & Cognitive Psychotherapies

Associate Professor Michael Walker

Research Interests

- Cognitive therapy for excessive gambling
- The measurement of problem gambling
- Gambling strategies
- Turn taking in conversation cross-culturally
- Nonverbal signals in social interaction


Gambling Treatment Clinic: Darlington, Lidcombe and Camden. Grant provided by the Responsible Gambling Fund of New South Wales, 2005-2008.


Publications 2005-2006


pathological gambling. *Gambling Research, 18*(1), 39-68.


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**
Co-Editor, Gambling Research, 2005-2006

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Journal of Gambling Studies (3)

**External Thesis Examination**
Nottingham-Trent University (PhD)

**Professional Affiliations**
Member, National association for Gambling Studies
Member, New South Wales Council on Problem Gambling

**Other contributions**
Director, Gambling Treatment Clinic, University of Sydney. Problem gamblers are treated at Darlington, Lidcombe and Camden campuses.

**Dr David Alais**

**Research Interests**

I conduct research into unisensory perception, either auditory or visual. Auditory research is done in close collaboration with Assoc. Professor Carlile's Auditory Neuroscience Laboratory in the School of Medical Sciences, allowing access to sophisticated auditory stimuli and signal processing, and to sophisticated virtual auditory space (VAS) technology. Other research in the lab focuses purely on visual processes. A major visual interest focuses on how the brain resolves visual conflict between the eyes, as when the eyes receive different images, giving rise to 'binocular rivalry' in which the brain's conscious state alternates between perceiving the image in one eye and perceiving the image in the other eye. An overview of the state of this burgeoning field can be found in a recent book by David Alais and Randolph Blake: "Binocular Rivalry", MIT Press (2005).
Grants 2005-2006

Alais, D. & Carlile, C. “Auditory spatial perception during head movements”. ARC DP0452804

Alais, D. “Audio-visual interactions in human perception”. ARC DP0345797

Publications 2005-2006

Books


Book Chapters


Journal Articles


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Cognitive Brain Research (1)
Current Biology (2)
Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience (2)
Journal of Neurophysiology (1)
Journal of Vision (6)
Neuroscience (1)
Neuroscience Letters (1)
Perception (7)
Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (1)
Psychological Science (2)
Spatial Vision (1)
Vision Research (9)

**Grant Reviewing**
ARC Discovery Projects 2005 (3)
ARC Discovery Projects 2006 (3)

**External Thesis Examination**
University of Melbourne (MSc)

**Professional Affiliations (2005-2006)**
Vision Sciences Society

**Other contributions**
Invited colloquia (3)
Seminar: “How to get ARC grants: Tips for early career researchers”, HCSnet SummerFest.
Community: Public lecture, Kegworth Public School: “Human visual system”

**Dr Bruce Burns**

**Research Interests**
Overall, my work aims to understand how knowledge is represented and used. Towards this aim, I have worked on a number of issues in higher-order cognition. These include: Decision making and streaks; Goal specificity in problem solving; Reasoning and causality (Monty Hall dilemma); Chess skill; Competition as problem solving; Analogical reasoning; Motivation and problem solving.
Decision making based on streaks of events; University of Sydney, research grant (One year, $36,300)

Hormones and decision making: Riskiness changes across the menstrual cycle; University of Sydney Research & Development grant (One year, $19,000)


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Membership of Editorial Boards
Associate Editor for *Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology*
32 manuscripts handled (dated from writing of action letter)

Manuscript Reviewing
Behavior and Brain Sciences 1
Behavior Research methods 1
British Journal of Psychology 1
Cognition 1
Cognitive Psychology 1
Cognitive Science 2
Journal of Behavioral Decision Making 1
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory and Cognition 2
Psychonomic Bulletin & Review 3
Psychological Science 2
Psychological Research 1

Grant Reviewing
Submission to ESRC Research Grants Board (UK)

Professional Affiliations
Association for Psychological Science
Cognitive Science Society
Psychonomic Society
Other contributions

Invited colloquium at UNSW “Hormones and decision making: Risky choice across the menstrual cycle” (27/6/05)

Dr Margaret Charles

Research Interests

Dr Margaret Charles’ research interests are diverse, ranging from applied aspects of health psychology, relationships between social capital and psychological wellbeing, to factors affecting psychology students learning of statistics. Health-related research has been predominantly in the area of palliative care and psychosocial aspects related to cancer and other life-limiting illnesses. The interest in education has also been applied to the evaluation of educational workshops for health care workers in the field of palliative care. Teaching and learning of statistics has been an on-going interest, particularly with the adoption of WebCT and extended availability of diverse online learning resources.

Research Grants 2005 - 2006

Australian Research Council (Project –Linkage Grant LP0562095). Meeting the needs of cancer support group leaders: Butow PN, Ussher JM, Batt GM, Wain GC, Sundquist KJ, Charles MA. 2005-2008: $230,000.


Publications 2005-2006


Reymond, L., Charles, M., Israel, F., Read, T. & Treston, P. (2005) A strategy to increase the palliative care capacity of rural primary health care providers. Australian Journal of Rural Health 13 (3) 156-161
Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Reymond L., Charles, M., Israel, F. Palliative Care Service Provision within Brisbane South - A Prospective Audit. Keynote address 5th Annual Research Conference Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education, 2006, Brisbane.

Reymond, L, Charles, M. An intervention to decrease medication errors in palliative patients requiring subcutaneous infusions. Report submitted to Clinical Service Evaluation Unit (CSEU), Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane, April 2005


Reymond L., Charles, M., Israel, F. Palliative Care Service Provision within Brisbane South - A Prospective Audit. Keynote address 5th Annual Research Conference Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education, 2006, Brisbane.

Reymond, L., Israel, F., Charles, M. A randomised double-blind cross-over trial comparing 2 aperients for prophylaxis of constipation in palliative care patients using opioids. 4th Annual Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education Conference, Brisbane, June 2005

Reymond, L, Israel, F., Parker, G., Hardy, J., Charles, M. A Randomized Controlled Trial Investigating Possible Additive Analgesic Effects of Paracetamol in Palliative Patients Using High-Dose Strong Opioids. 4th Annual Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education Conference, Brisbane, June 2005

Reymond, L, Lock, A., Charles, M. A Quality Improvement Project at Princess Alexandra Hospital for Palliative Patients Requiring Subcutaneous Infusions. 4th Annual Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education Conference, Brisbane, June 2005

Other Publications


Israel, F., Reymond, L., Charles, M. An educational strategy to increase the palliative care capacity of primary health care providers working in rural and remote areas of Australia. Report for project funded under The Caring Communities Program, Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing. February 2006.

Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Australasian Journal of Educational Technology (1)
Australian Journal of Psychology (1)

Professional Affiliations (2005-2006)
Australian Psychological Society (member)

Other contributions
Associate Dean (Faculty of Science, Liberal Studies Program Co-ordinator)

Dr Alan E. Craddock

Research Interests

Dr. Craddock’s current research interests include:

- Perfectionism, family of origin issues, self-esteem and spiritual orientation.
- Couple personality patterns and relationship satisfaction
- Counselling as involving development of insight into attitudes-towards-the-self.
- Gordon Allport’s views of personality: Implications for counselling psychology.

Publications 2005-2006


Other Publications

**Professional Affiliations (2005-2006)**
Member: Australian Psychological Society  
Registered Psychologist NSW Psychologists Registration Board

**Other contributions**  
Honorary Student Counsellor, Moore Theological College, Sydney  
National Coordinator, Prepare-Enrich, Australia

**Dr Justin Harris**

**Research Interests**

My research is broadly concerned with the mechanisms underlying learning, memory, and perception. There are two major strands to this research: simple associative learning (Pavlovian conditioning) in laboratory animals (rats) and people; and studying the nature of neural coding in the somatosensory (tactile) system, and how vision affects touch perception.

**Grants 2005-2006**


**Publications 2005 – 2006**


Harris, J.A. & Thein, T. (2005). Interactions between conditioned and unconditioned flavor

**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**
Academic Editor of *PLoS ONE.*

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Journal of Neuroscience: 8  
Journal of Experimental Psychology: 2  
Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology: 2  
Journal of Vision: 1  
Experimental Brain Research: 1  
Brain Research Bulletin: 1  
Behavioural Brain Research: 1  
*PLoS ONE:* 1

**Grant Reviewing**
Australian Research Council Discovery Project: 18

**Other contributions**
Organizer for an international conference in learning and behaviour, held on Magnetic Island, Qld, in July 2006.

**Dr Fiona Hibberd**

**Research interests**

- History and Philosophy of Psychology  
- Psychoanalysis  
- Conceptual issues in Statistics and Psychometrics

**Publications 2005-2006**


**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**

Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing

Professional Affiliations
Member of the International Society for Theoretical Psychology
Member of the European Society for the History of the Human Sciences.
‘Foreign affiliate’ member of the History & Philosophy of Psychology section of The British Psychological Society.
Currently registered with the NSW Psychologists Registration Board (No. PS0044762).

Other contributions
2005: Invited by the International Society of Theoretical Psychology to serve on its program committee for the 2007 Bi-annual Meeting of the International Society for Theoretical Psychology, to be held at York University, Toronto, Canada.

Dr Alex O. Holcombe

Commenced June 2006

Research interests
Primarily, I do experiments to determine how the brain processes visual information. I focus on temporal aspects.

Grants 2006

University of Sydney 2006 R&D grant, “Probing human visual feature binding”,
2005-6 “Processing capacity for noticing the unexpected but meaningful” from Economic and Social Research Council, United Kingdom

Publications 2006


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


**Research Related Professional Activities (2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**
I am a member of the advisory board of the PLoS ONE journal of the Public Library of Science, (plosone.org). My activities for this journal are part of a broader effort to support open-access publishing and the movement towards a new publication model for research that takes full advantage of the capabilities of internet publishing.

**Manuscript Reviewing**
- Journal of Vision (3)
- Nature Neuroscience (2)

**Grant Reviewing**
One grant for the Leverhulme Trust (UK) and another for the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (UK).

**Professional Affiliations**
Member, Vision Sciences Society

**Other contributions**
Science communication: Science in the City presenter 2006, Australian Museum

**Invited talks**
“Visual feature binding via high-level scooping”, University of New South Wales School of Psychology colloquium series
Dr Pauline Howie

Research Interests

My research focus is on aspects of metacognitive and social influences on children's event memory reports, with application to children's eyewitness testimony. I am currently conducting a research program on social influences on children’s responses to repeated questions, with funding from an ARC Discovery grant. I am also conducting collaborative research with Prof. Claudia Roebers at the University of Bern, Switzerland, on the development of accurate confidence judgments in event memory reports, which was funded in 2004 and 2005 by the German Research Foundation. I also have an interest in individual differences and developmental progression in children’s source monitoring, and have carried out research in collaboration with Dr Roslyn Markham and Dr Sabina Kleitman, developing child measures of imagery vividness across different modalities, and relating these measures to source monitoring for memories of events. My interest in these phenomena lies in the theoretical implications for understanding social and cognitive influences on memory development, as well as the practical implications for determining appropriate ways to question children in forensic and other contexts. I also supervise doctoral projects in related forensic areas such as juvenile offenders, children and divorce, and bullying.

Grants 2005-2006

ARC Discovery grant "Optimising recall in children's testimony: The challenge of repeated questions" $175,000

University of Sydney Teaching Improvement Fund grant "Development of video footage of children for use in tutorial and WebCT exercises." With Dr D. Livesey. $9,500

German Research Foundation (with Roebers) “Metacognition and event recall” $122,000

Publications 2005-2006


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

*Manuscript Reviewing*
- Applied Cognitive Psychology (2)
- Journal of Affective Disorders (1)
- Child Development (1)

*Grant Reviewing*
- ARC (3 grants)

*External Theses Examination*
- Flinders University (PhD)

*Professional Affiliations*
- Member: Australian Psychological Society
- Member: European Society for Developmental Psychology
- Member: Australasian Human Development Association
- Member: Cognitive Development Society
- Member: Society for Applied Research in Memory and Cognition

*Other Contributions*
Dr Caroline Hunt

Research Interests
While my primary research interest was for a number of years adult anxiety disorders, I have recently shifted the focus of my research from child disorders. In 1999 I initiated a NH&MRC funded trial of the prevention and treatment of anxiety and depressive disorders in early to middle adolescence. This randomised controlled trial spanning 5 years has recently been completed across 20 secondary schools in Sydney. This study evaluates whether an intervention conducted wholly within the school sector, using school staff, will prevent children who are at risk from developing anxiety or depressive disorders. Research into the nature and treatment of comorbidity between childhood anxiety disorders and aggression has been another recent research development. In collaboration with Dr Sandra Heriot and Dr Karyn Levy, I recently completed a funded pilot study of the effectiveness of a treatment program for these children. Additional projects in this area include investigations into neuropsychological, personality and psychophysiological features of children with comorbid disorders compared to children with anxiety disorders alone. Lastly, I have developed a significant program of research with a focus on school bullying, using a clinical psychology perspective. My projects include (1) a funded randomised controlled trial that evaluated an educational intervention to change attitudes towards bullying and discourage bullying behaviour, (2) an investigation of the role of ethnic minority identification in school-based bullying; (3) the investigation of specific risk factors of being bullied in a sample of children seeking treatment for an anxiety disorder; (4) an evaluation of the effect of anxiety management and self-concept enhancement on the experience of being bullied in anxious children; and (5) a funded project to develop a self-report questionnaire of the experience of school-based bullying. The latter two projects have been undertaken in collaboration with Professor Ron Rapee and Dr Lorna Peters of Macquarie University.

Grants 2005 - 2006

Publications 2005 - 2006


Conference Presentations
September 2005: The effect of an education program on attitudes ad beliefs about bullying and bullying behaviour in junior secondary school students. XXXV Annual Congress of the EACBT, Thessaloniki, Greece.

September 2005: Predictors of poor recovery following unilateral vestibular loss. XXXV Annual Congress of the EACBT, Thessaloniki, Greece.

Other Publications


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology 2
Australian Journal of Psychology 2

Grant Reviewing
New South Wales Institute of Psychiatry Training Fellowship in Psychiatric Research: “The development of perfectionism in children”
New South Wales Institute of Psychiatry Training Fellowship in Psychiatric Research: “An investigation of affect intolerance and worry in Generalized Anxiety Disorder”
Australian Research Council [Note. Reviewed three project grants but I did not record titles of grants]

External Thesis Examination
University of New South Wales (2 x PhD)
University of Queensland (PhD)

Professional Affiliations
Board Member: NSW Psychologists Registration Board
Member: College of Clinical Psychologists, APS
Member: Australian Association for Cognitive and Behaviour Therapy

Other Contributions

Bullying in schools: What we know and what can be done about it. Invited lecture for the Department of Psychology, Children’s Hospital Westmead and the NSW College of Educational and Developmental Psychologists. 16th May, 2005.


Bullying: Overview of current trends and intervention options. Invited lecture for the Sydney Children’s Hospital, Randwick. 24th November 2006.

Media Features
Lessons in life help students take a stand. Daily Telegraph March 2005
Dr David James Livesey

Research Interests

Dr David Livesey’s research focused on three aspects of early child development, with studies examining executive skills development, motor development and haptic development in pre-school aged children. The studies of executive function included Doctoral research (Rouse) into the link between response inhibition, fluid intelligence and theory of mind, an Honours project (Gomes) that examined the relationship between impulsivity and peer relationships and an Honours project (Pasalich) investigating the link between inhibitory control, working memory and theory of mind. The association between early executive skills development and motor ability was investigated through ongoing collaborative research with Prof Piek (Curtin University). This work is examining the link between response control and early motor development in children with and without Developmental Coordination Disorder. Research into the early development of haptic perception also continued with an Honours project (Irwin) examining children’s haptic exploration and the role of cross-modal transfer (haptic to visual) in the identification of objects explored via the haptic sense.

Grants 2005 - 2006


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Developmental Psychology: 1
Human Movement Science: 3
Child: Care, Health & Development: 2

Grant Reviewing
ARC (Discovery): 2
Nursing & Allied Health Small Grants: 1

External Thesis Examination
University of Western Australia (PhD)
Curtin University of Technology (PhD)

Professional Affiliations
Member: Australasian Human Development Association
Member: Society for Research in Child Development

Dr Fiona White

Research Interests

My research interests fall into the area of applied Social and Developmental Psychology, with a specific focus on understanding the transmission of modern racism from parents to adolescents; the nature of controlled versus automatic processes in prejudice formation; optimal ways to measure implicit and explicit forms of racial prejudice; prejudice reduction techniques such as cooperative contact and predictors of complex attitudes (i.e., morality and affirmative action). I also have a research interest in Organisational Psychology particularly on effective strategies to enhance organisational citizenship behaviours, organisational commitment and work-place values.

More recently, I have integrated my research and teaching interests together to focus on the scholarship of teaching of psychology. Within this domain I have examined the role of goal-setting as a predictor of tertiary students' academic performance; I have studied students' feelings and attitudes towards group work and its assessment; I have evaluated modes of lecture delivery and their effects on student satisfaction and performance and measured the educational and navigational aspects of elearning techniques such as WebCT.

Grants 2005-2006

2006 Faculty of Science Award ($4,000) Teaching Excellence Award
2005 Faculty of Science ($12,000) Teaching Development Fund grant for project titled “Flexible modes of delivery for Second/Third year Psychology”

Publications 2005-2006

Books

Journal Articles
Studies, 12(2), 247-260.


Conference Abstracts (published)


Conference Presentations


Miramontes, L.G., Church, A.T., Katigbak, M.S., Winskel, H., Vargas-Flores, J., Ibanez-Reyes, J.,


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
2005 Personnel Review
Grant Reviewing
2005: ARC Discovery Project (DP0665358)
2006: ARC Discovery Project (DP0772315)

Professional Affiliations
Registered Psychologist with the New South Wales Psychologists Registration
Member of the Australian Psychological Society
Member of the Australasian Human Development Association (AHDA)
Member of the Society of Australasian Social Psychologists (SASP)
Member of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI)

Other contributions
2006 Invited presentation at the SUN/SUPRA Seminar for ECAs and PGs
Invited presentation at University’s Learning and Teaching Best Practice Forum

2005 Invited presentation at Carrick Institute workshop on teaching psychology
Invited presentation at the ITL Supervisor’s workshop
Invited presentation at the CST workshop on ‘Promoting women in Science’.


Dr Maree Abbott

Research Interests
My research interests primarily focus on the nature and treatment of anxiety disorders and on furthering the understanding of ruminative thought processes. In addition I am involved in a range of experimental studies aimed at further understanding the factors maintaining a range of disorders and behaviours including social phobia, generalized anxiety, perfectionism and procrastination and binge eating disorder. I am also involved in a number of studies that look to enhance treatment effectiveness and delivery for social phobia, generalized anxiety disorder, child anxiety disorders and victims of school bullying.

Grants 2005 - 2006


Publications 2005 - 2006


**Conference and Seminar Presentations**


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**
Executive Committee Member, APS College of Clinical Psychologists

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Behaviour Research and Therapy (2)
Psychological Assessment (1)

**External Thesis Examination**
Macquarie University (M.Clin Psych)
Curtin University (PhD)

**Professional Affiliations**
Registered Psychologist in NSW (PS0071894).
The Australian Association of Cognitive Behavioural Therapy, Member
The Australian Psychological Society, Clinical College, Member
The Anxiety Practitioners Network, Member

**Other Contributions**


Dr Damian Birney

Research Interests

My research investigates human reasoning, learning, problem solving, and expertise broadly defined, with a focus on cognitive individual differences and the philosophy of measurement. Current projects span: Investigations of working memory and fluid intelligence from the perspective of relational complexity theory; Dynamic assessment, which incorporates various types of structured learning opportunities within a test so that one can quantify learning potential in addition to the assessment of already developed skills (which are typically the focus of traditional assessments); and Flexible Expertise, where we are investigating the role of various cognitive processes and contextual determinants (such as information feedback and task complexity) in the development of flexible expertise in senior managers. The approach adopted throughout is one that integrates individual differences and cognitive-experimental methodologies.


University of Sydney (Research and Development ECR Grant, 2005). Investigation of the role of learning in general fluid intellectual abilities. D.P. Birney

University of Sydney (Research and Development ECR Grant, 2006). Do individual differences in strategy development mitigate or substantiate working-memory theories? D.P. Birney

ARC Linkage Project (2006-2011). Flexible Expertise in Senior Executives. Prof RE Wood; Dr JF Beckmann; Dr DP Birney; Dr S Gary

Publications 2005 - 2006


Birney, D. P., Bowman, D. B., & Pallier, G. (2006). Prior to paradigm integration, the task is to resolve construct definitions of gF and WM. Behavioral and Brain Science 29 (2), 127.


Birney, D. P. (2005). Do you see the forest or the trees? We should aim to see both! A counterpoint to Chapter 8: Thought and Language. In L. J. Burton & D. Westen, Psychology - an Australasian Perspective. Milton, Qld: John Wiley.


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Other Publications


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Learning & Individual Differences (2)
Dr Michael J Cavanagh

Research Interests

Michael is a lecturer and Deputy Director of the Coaching Psychology Unit. He is also currently the Australian Co-ordinating Editor the International Coaching Psychology Review and National Convener of the Australian Psychological Society Interest Group in Coaching Psychology.

Michael’s areas of special interest include:

- Communication skills and processes for collective dialogue and change
- Leadership and cognitive development
- Metacognitive processes and behaviour change
- Coaching in complex systems
- Coaching and mental health

Publications 2005 - 2006


Chapters in books


Refereed journal articles


**Paper in refereed conference proceedings**


**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**

Co-ordinating editor, International Coaching Psychology Review. International Journal of Evidence Based Coaching and Mentoring

**Manuscript Reviewing**

International Journal of Evidence Based Coaching and Mentoring (2) International Coaching Psychology Review (6)

**Grant Reviewing**

Foundation of coaching Research Grant (4)

**External Thesis Examination**

Australian National University (PhD)

**Professional Affiliations**

Member: Australian Psychological Society

Registered Psychologist NSW Psychologists Registration Board

**Other Contributions**


Dr Karen Croot

Research Interests

I am interested in how people are able to produce fluent speech, and in acquired disorders of speech production. My research focuses on the processes of phonological encoding and articulation described by cognitive theories of spoken word production. I primarily study these processes by investigating the speech and language impairments that can result from dementia, stroke, or traumatic brain injury, although some of my research also involves unimpaired speakers producing tongue twisters or learning to produce foreign language sounds. I am also studying the nature of the disorder in acquired apraxia of speech, foreign accent syndrome and primary progressive aphasia and speech pathology interventions for these disorders.

Publications 2005-2006


Conference Presentations/Abstracts


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
US Academy of Neurologic Communication Sciences and Disorders
Ad hoc journal manuscript review
Aphasiology (8)
Journal of Neurolinguistics (1)
Language and Cognitive Processes (1)
Neurocase (1)

Grant Reviewing
Australian research Council
International expert reviewer 2005, 2006 (2 grants)

External Thesis Examination
University of Western Sydney (MClinPsy)

Professional Affiliations
Member: Australian Speech Science and Technology Association
Member: British Aphasiology Society

Other Contributions
Media
ABC 702 Local Radio “Drive” programme. Richard Glover interview and talkback about commonly mispronounced words. 8 March 2006.
ABC 666 Canberra David Kilby interview and talkback about Foreign Accent Syndrome 10 July 2006

Community
2006 Killara High School Careers Day
2005 2 work experience students

Colloquia and professional development seminars


Dr Anthony M Grant

Research Interests

- The impact of executive, workplace and personal/life coaching on goal attainment, well-being, meta-cognition and mental health.
- Socio-psychological perspectives on the coaching and personal development industry.
- Design and implementation of workplace coaching programs at line management, middle management and executive level in commercial, health and educational settings.
- Well-being and performance in the workplace.
- Application of cognitive-behavioural theory and positive psychology to coaching.
- Application of positive psychology and mindfulness to the workplace, coaching and leadership

Publications 2005-2006

Books
Stober D, & Grant AM (2006) Evidence-based coaching handbook New York, Wiley


Book Chapters


Journal Articles


Invited Professional Articles


Invited Conference Presentations


Third International Coach Federation Australasia Conference, Brisbane, Australia.


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards:**
- Co-editor and Editorial Board member of *International Coaching Psychology Review*
- Editorial Board member of *International Journal of Evidence-based Coaching and Mentoring*
- Editorial Board member of *The Coaching Psychologist*
- Founder Executive Committee member Interest Group in Coaching Psychology
- Editorial Board member *The Coaching Psychologist*
- Editorial Board member *Coaching: An International Journal of Theory Research and Practice*
- International Advisory Board member *Coaching and Mentoring Program Oxford Brookes University UK*
- International Advisory Board member *Centre for Applied Positive Psychology*

**Manuscript Reviewing**
- Social Behaviour and Personality: An International Journal (2)
- Psychology And Psychotherapy: Theory, Research And Practice (2)
- Academy of Management (2)
- International Journal of Evidence-based Coaching and Mentoring (3)
- International Coaching Psychology Review (5)

**Professional Affiliations**
- Member: Australian Psychological Society
- Chartered Member: British Psychological Society
- Member: American Psychological Society

**Other contributions**
- Various media contributions including ABC “Catalyst” television program, radio interviews, newspaper interviews and professional publications including HR Monthly, BOSS magazine, The Age, Sydney Morning Herald.

- Various invited workshops including Head of Schools’ Leadership Development program at University of Newcastle, Australian Graduate School of Management

**Dr Ian Johnston**

**Research Interests**

My research interests fall into two broad categories.

The first is Psychoneuroimmunology, or the study of interactions between the immune system and the brain. While it has been known for sometime that the central nervous system (CNS) exerts considerable control over the function of the immune response, more recent work has shown that the immune system also modulates the function of the CNS, and this translates into changes in behaviour, mood, perception and cognitive abilities.

The second is instrumental learning, or how it is that both humans and non-human animals learn about causal relations between their behaviours and the consequences that follow.

University of Sydney Research & Development grant: $20,000.

Publications 2005 - 2006


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Neuroscience letters (1)

Dr Sabina Kleitman

*Research Interests*

My primary research interests include individual differences in metacognitive processes, decision-making, cognitive styles and self-concept measures. I also have interests in developmental psychology, especially in developmental trends of metacognitive processes. In my research I primarily use multivariate techniques, including SEM.

Publications 2005 - 2006


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)
Dr Suncica Sunny Lah

Research Interests

My main clinical and research interests are in the area of Neuropsychology. They include investigations of the nature and mechanisms of cognitive and behavioural disorders arising from brain insults as well as rehabilitation of these disorders in adults and children. In adults, I have been investigating disorders of episodic (autobiographical) and semantic memory in patients with neurological disorders, such as epilepsy, stroke or encephalitis. Of late I have developed an interest in the relationship between autobiographical memory, emotions and pro-social behaviour.

In children, impact of epilepsy, epilepsy surgery and head injury on everyday memory and development of new learning/retention skills have been focus of my research. In the past, I have carried out studies investigating cognitive fatigue, executive functions and social/moral reasoning in children who were born premature and in children who sustained head injury respectively.

In addition, I have had an ongoing interest in neuropsychological rehabilitation, such as memory rehabilitation and impact of neurological insults on psychosocial functioning of patients and their families. My research is clinically based and has been carried out in collaboration with colleagues from a number of different hospital, including: Sydney Children’s Hospital (Randwick), Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Children’s Hospital at Westmead, Prince of Wales Hospital, Westmead Hospital, Royal North Shore Hospital, Liverpool Hospital and John Hunter Children’s Hospital.

Grants 2005 - 2006


2005 Brain Foundation. Autobiographical memory in patients with temporal lobe lesions: The role of chronicity and site of lesion Chief investigators: Lah S., Miller, L. $12 000

Publications: 2005-2006


Conference Abstracts/Presentations


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Epilepsia (2)
Brain (1)

Grant Reviewing
ARC Discovery 2005 and 2006
NHMRC Fellowship 2005
Murdoch Children’s Research Institute 2005

External Thesis Examination
University of Melbourne (PhD)
Swinburne University (PhD)

Professional Affiliations
The Australian Psychological Society (full member).
The APS College of Clinical Neuropsychology (full member).
Registered Psychologist in NSW
The Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment.
Epilepsy Society of Australia.

Other contributions


Dr Barbara Mullan

Research Interests
My research interests include social cognition models in health psychology, the role of gender in health, gender issues in nursing and allied health professionals, sexuality and ill health, sex education and communication skills training.

Publications

**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**

Clifford, C; Coad, J; Mullan, BA; Badger, F & Metcalfe, A. (2005) Symposium Ethical challenges and Practical solutions RCN The 2005 International Nursing Research Conference 8-11 March 2005 Belfast UK

**Dr Caleb Owens**

**Research Interests**

Attentional capture, Reasoning and gullibility

**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**


**Dr Elizabeth Rieger**

**Research Interests**

My main research interests are in the areas of eating disorders and obesity, particularly regarding the motivational and interpersonal aspects of these conditions. Recent studies have focused on the effectiveness of motivational enhancement interventions for the prevention and treatment of eating disorders and obesity. My research program also focuses on investigating the interaction between interpersonal and cognitive factors in triggering eating disorder symptomatology.

**Grants 2005-2006**

2006: Research and Development Grant to fund "A randomised controlled trial of maintenance-oriented cognitive behavioural therapy in the treatment of obesity". ($19,000)

**Publications 2005-2006**


**Conference Presentations 2005-2006**


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Manuscript Reviewing**
- European Eating Disorders Review (1)
- International Journal of Eating Disorders (1)

**Grant Reviewing**
- NH&MRC project grant application

**Professional Affiliations**
- Member of the Eating Disorders Research Society
- Member of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Statewide Network (CAMHSNET) working party for the establishment of eating disorder guidelines

**Other Contributions**


“The Assessment and Treatment of Motivation to Change in Eating Disorders”. Invited speaker at the Klinik für Kinder- und Jugendpsychiatrie, Universitätsklinikum, Aachen, Germany.

“The Assessment and Treatment of Motivation to Change in Eating Disorders”. Invited speaker at the Psychosomatische Klinik, Windach, Germany.

“Motivation to Change in Eating Disorders”. Workshop given for school counsellors on behalf of the Eating Disorders Foundation, Sydney.

“Interpersonal Psychotherapy for Eating Disorders”. Workshop given for psychologists on behalf of the Victorian Centre of Excellence in Eating Disorders, Melbourne.

**Dr Marianna Szabó**

**Research Interests**
- Anxiety Disorders, Depression and Personality Disorders in adults. The development of anxiety disorders and pathological worrying in childhood.
Publications 2005 - 2006


Research Related Professional Activities

Manuscript Reviewing
Behaviour Research and Therapy (2)
Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology (2)

Professional Affiliations
Australian Psychological Society – full member
NSW Psychologists Registration Board -- Registered Psychologist

Dr Lisa Zadro

Research Interests
My primary research interest lies in investigating the nature of ostracism (i.e., being excluded and ignored). To date, my research has focused on examining the psychological, behavioural, and health-related consequences of ostracism in adults, however I have recently begun to investigate the effects of ostracism in children.

Grants 2005 - 2006

ARC Discovery Grant (co-investigator with Michelle Moulds; 2006-2008): Developing strategies to ameliorate the aversive effects of ostracism, $200,000


Faculty Research Grant (co-applicant; 2005), $6000.

Publications 2005 - 2006

Journal Articles


Book Chapters
exclusion, rejection, and bullying (pp. 1-18).


Conference Presentations


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Basic and Applied Social Psychology (1)
Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin (2)
Journal of Personality and Social Psychology (1)
Journal of Experimental Social Psychology (2)

Grant Reviewing
Australian Research Council
National Science Foundation

External Thesis Examination
University of New South Wales (PhD)

Professional Affiliations
Society of Australasian Social Psychologists (SASP)
Society of Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP)
International Association for Relationship Research

Other Contributions
Colloquia (University of New South Wales)
Upcoming invited talk: Sydney Science Forum (University of Sydney)
Dr Irina Harris

Research Interests

My main research interests are in the areas of visual and spatial cognition, which I study using a variety of techniques including cognitive experiments, cognitive neuroscience investigations (brain imaging, transcranial magnetic stimulation) and cognitive neuropsychological investigations of patients.

Research Grants and Awards

2006- University of Sydney Research & Development Grant - "The role of features and holistic information in object recognition" (CI: I.M. Harris) - $23,000.

2005-2009 ARC Discovery Grant and Queen Elizabeth II Fellowship – “Recognition of rotated objects: paying attention to orientation” (I.M. Harris & M.C. Corballis) - $600,000.


Publications 2005-2006


Conference Abstracts/Presentations

Harris IM, Benito CT, Ruzzoli M, Miniussi C. Effects of right parietal TMS on object processing. Talk delivered at the 1st Symposium on Brain and Mind Research in the Asia-Pacific (BMAP), Sydney, 13-15 August 2006.


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Membership of Editorial Boards**
ORBIT: The Sydney University Undergraduate Research Journal

**Manuscript Reviewing**
- Applied Cognitive Psychology (1)
- Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience (1)
- Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory & Cognition (1)
- Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception & Performance (1)
- Memory & Cognition (2)
- Neuropsychologia (1)
- Neuroscience Letters (1)
- Psychological Research (1)
- Psychonomic Bulletin & Review (1)

**Grant Reviewing**
ARC (1)

**External Thesis Examination**
- University of Melbourne (DPsych)
- University of Auckland (MSc)

**Professional Affiliations**
- Vision Sciences Society
- Australasian Experimental Psychology Society
- NSW Psychologists Registration Board
Other Contributions

Invited talks

Vision Discussion Group, Department of Physiology, University of Sydney, 28 August 2006.

“La Stimolazione Magnetica Trascranica (TMS) nelle Neuroscienze Cognitive” Workshop, Brescia, Italy, 21 October 2005.

Neuropsychology Seminar Series, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, 21 June 2005.

Department of Psychology, University of Western Australia, Staff Colloquium, 14 June 2005.

Dr Ann M. Burgess

Research Interests

The vestibular system; testing otolith function with bone-conducted vibration; Listing's plane; optokinetic torsion; applying the mathematics of 3d rotations to the vestibular system and to eye rotations.

Publications 2005 - 2006


Conference Papers and Presentations


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

“Using Inertial Measurement Units to calibrate 3d head accelerations during bone-conducted vibration”: informal seminar at the Eye and Ear Research Unit, Department of Neurology, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, 9 August 2006.

“High Resolution Imaging of the Labyrinth”: seminar at the Eye and Ear Research Unit, Department of Neurology, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, 13 April 2005.

Helped to prepare applications for several research grants:

1) NHMRC Project Grant 457511, “The neural basis of clinical vestibular testing by bone conducted sound” (IS Curthoys, GM Halmagyi). This application was successful.
2) NHMRC Project Grant 457512, “Human vestibular testing using air- and bone-conducted sound” (IS Curthoys, GM Halmagyi). This application was not successful.
3) Garnett Passe and Rodney Williams Memorial Foundation Project Grant, “Clinical testing of vestibular function using bone conducted vibration” (IS Curthoys). This application was successful.
4) Garnett Passe and Rodney Williams Memorial Foundation Project Grant, “The neural basis of clinical vestibular testing by bone-conducted sound” (IS Curthoys). This application was later withdrawn because of the success of the similar NHMRC grant 457511.
5) ARC Linkage Grant LP0669723 (A S Jones, I S Curthoys, M J Todd). “New temporal bone histology – using 3D micro-tomography to study the vestibular and cochlear receptor structures of the inner ear.” This application was not successful.
6) NHMRC project grant 402467, “Physiological basis of clinical vestibular tests using sound” (IS Curthoys, GM Halmagyi). This application was not successful.

Prepared applications and annual reports for several Human Ethics protocols to ethics review committees at both the University of Sydney and the South West Sydney Area Health Service.

Helped in the preparation of papers for publication, such as two chapters by I. S. Curthoys and G. M. Halmagyi for an upcoming textbook on Vestibular Rehabilitation edited by Dr Susan Herdman.

Helped to organise the weekly seminar series at the Eye and Ear Research Unit, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital. Also helped to maintain software on computers in the Vestibular Research Laboratory.

Dr Ilona Juraskova

Research Interests

Over the past 8 years, I have pursued my clinical and research interest in the field of Psycho-Oncology. My specific areas of interest include: doctor-patient communication, medical decision-making and risk communication, exploration and evaluation of quality of life and psycho-sexual adjustment of adults with cancer, and evaluation of cancer support services.
Grants 2005 - 2006

2006 The Susan G Komen Breast Cancer Foundation: International Travel Scholarship Improving informed consent to clinical trials: A decision aid for women invited to participate in the breast cancer prevention trial (IBIS-II) Juraskova, I ($2,500)

Sydney Cancer Centre Foundation Research Grant. Improving communication and decision making about treatment options for asymptomatic ovarian cancer patients with rising CA-125: The development and pilot of a Decision Aid. Carter J, Juraskova I, Nattress K, Harrison J, Dalrymple C, Pather S, Beale P ($50,000)

The Susan G KOMEN Breast Cancer Foundation (USA) OVERcome (Olive oil, Vaginal Exercise and Replens): An intervention study to improve sexual function in women with breast cancer. Friedlander M, Jarvis S, Meiser B, Juraskova I ($155,789)

The Susan G KOMEN Breast Cancer Foundation (USA) Improving informed consent: A randomised controlled trial of a decision aid for women invited to participate in IBIS-II. Butow P, Forbes J, Coates A, Boyle F, McCarthy N, Juraskova I ($264,990)

Australian Research Council (Project-Linkage Grant) Meeting the needs of cancer support group leaders. Butow P, Ussher J, Batt G, Wain G, Sundquist K, Charles M. ($261,406)


Publications 2005 - 2006

Juraskova I, Butow P, Sharpe L, Campion M. "What does it mean?" Uncertainty, trust and communication following treatment for pre-cancerous cervical abnormalities. Psycho-Oncology, published online September 2006.

Conference abstracts published in peer-reviewed journals


**Papers presented at national / international conferences**


A Lopez, I Juraskova, P Butow, M Seccombe, A Coates, F Boyle, N McCarthy, L Reaby, J Forbes. Improving informed consent to clinical trials: A pilot of a decision aid for women invited to participate in a breast cancer prevention trial (IBIS-II). *The 3rd Australian Health & Medical Research Congress*, Melbourne, November 2006 (Poster – short listed for the CASS Foundation Best of the Best Student Poster Award)


P Butow, I Juraskova, R Brown, M Tattersall, A Coates, P Zoller, B Thürlimann, C Hüryn, J Bernhard. A randomised controlled trial of consultation skills training (IBCSG 33-03) to improve communication about cancer treatment options and clinical trials: Interim analyses using Australian & New Zealand data. The 8th *World Congress of the International Psycho-Oncological Society (IPOS)*, Venice, Italy, October 2006 (Symposium paper)

I Juraskova, P Butow, A Lopez, M Seccombe, A Coates, F Boyle, N McCarthy, L Reaby, J Forbes. Improving informed consent to clinical trials: A pilot of a decision aid for women invited to
participate in a breast cancer prevention trial (IBIS-II). *The 8th World Congress of the International Psycho-Oncological Society (IPOS)*, Venice, Italy, October 2006 (Poster)

K Mok, S Mireskandari, I Juraskova, S Jarvis, B Meiser, M Peate & M Friedlander. OVER (Olive oil, Vaginal Exercises and Replens) come: An intervention study to improve sexual function in women with breast cancer. *The 8th World Congress of the International Psycho-Oncological Society (IPOS)*, Venice, Italy, October 2006 (Poster)


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Manuscript Reviewing**
Journal of Woman’s Health (1)

**External Thesis Examination**
University of Sydney, Faculty of Medicine (MPH[Hons])

**Professional Affiliations**

NSW Psychologists Registration Board  
Clinical Oncological Society of Australia (COSA)  
International Psycho-Oncology Society (IPOS)

**Other Memberships**

Psychologists in Oncology Group  
Psycho-Oncology Palliative Care research group (POPC)  
Informed Decision Making Network (IDMN)  
Psycho-oncology Co-operative Group (PoCoG)
Qualitative Health Research Collaboration (QHeRC)
Australian New Zealand Breast Cancer Trials Group (ANZ BCTG)

Other contributions
Research in Oncology and Medical Psychology seminar series, University of Sydney
October 2006 “Decision Aids: Global positioning systems for navigating medical decision-making?”

Qualitative Research Group (QUAL), School of Public Health, University of Sydney
October 2005 “Psychological adjustment following pre-invasive and invasive gynaecological cancer: A Qualitative Insight”

Interdisciplinary Radiation Oncology Seminar - Gynaecology, Sydney South West Area Health Service
June 2005 “Late psycho-sexual effects of treatment”

Sydney Health Decision Group, University of Sydney
May 2005 “Improving informed consent: The role of a decision aid”

Workshops for trial nurses, Cancer Trials NSW, The Cancer Council NSW
May 2005 “Better communication with cancer patients”

Dr Juno Kim

Research Interests
• The vestibular system
• Head vibration
• High-speed video techniques of measuring eye movements in three dimensions.

Publications 2005-2006


Conference Papers and Presentations


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Journal of Neuroscience Methods (1)

Dr Evan Livesey

Research Interests
My research is broadly concerned with learning and its relation to stimulus representation, attention and visual cognition. This includes specific interests in:

- Discrimination learning and stimulus generalization
- Stimulus representation in associative learning
- The relationship between learning and attention
- Implicit learning and automaticity
- Associations and reasoning in causal judgements

Publications (2005-2006)

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles


Other peer-reviewed articles


Conference and Seminar Presentations (2005-2006)


**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

*Manuscript Reviewing*
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Animal Behavior Processes (1)

**Professional Affiliations (2005-2006)**
Student member of the Experimental Psychology Society (UK) and British Psychological Society

**Dr Leonora Long**

**Research Interests**
My PhD (Monash University 2006) examined the effect of cannabinoids on behavioural and molecular correlates of psychosis. In my current position in the laboratory of Professor Iain McGregor I am continuing to study the antipsychotic effects of cannabidiol and the behavioural and neurochemical effects of adolescent cannabinoid exposure. I also investigate the phenomenon of cannabis “reintoxication”. I have previously worked as a pharmacist in hospital, community and drug and alcohol treatment centre settings and continue to be interested in the management of opiate dependence.

**Publications (2005-2006)**


**Conference and Seminar Presentations (2005-2006)**

**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**
Dr Hamish G. MacDougall

Research Interests

Head-eye coordination during vehicle operation
We are interested in the combination of head and eye movements required to stabilize gaze for clear vision in complex inertial environment such as those generated by vehicles. We assess the head and eye movements of expert and novice vehicle operators in: commercial flight simulators, the NASA space shuttle simulator, driving simulators and in real cars. Analysing a subject’s ‘Point of Regard’ (or where they are looking) can reveal what they are attending to (or thinking about) while performing complex behaviours. This information will help us understand the strategies and skills of expert operators and to help teach these skills to novices.

Balance posture and locomotion
We use computerized dynamic postureography, tests of dynamic visual acuity, and motion capture technology to try to understand normal balance, posture and locomotion.
We also assess the impact of inappropriate balance function in patients with vestibular dysfunction, astronauts with space adaptation syndrome, and normal subjects undergoing galvanic vestibular stimulation in order to develop diagnostic tests and rehabilitation methods.


04-08 Head-eye coordination during simulated Orbiter landing - NNJ04HF51G NASA 6/1/04-5/31/09. CoI.

04-09 Pilot study of artificial gravity as a multi-system countermeasure to bed rest deconditioning - NNJ04HD66G NASA 4/1/04-3/30/07. CoI.

05 Head-eye coordination during G-level transitions - 39th and 41st Parabolic Flight Campaign, Life Sciences Research, ESA. CoPI.

05-07 Galvanic vestibular stimulation (GVS) augmented training for exploration class missions - SM00801 NASA/NSBRI. 10/1/05-9/30/06. CoPI.

06-10 Validation of centrifugation as a countermeasure for otolith deconditioning during spaceflight (SPIN) and validation of a specific drug against g-level transition induced spatial disorientation and orthostatic intolerance (SPIN-D). Life Sciences Research, ESA, CoI.

06-09 Functional Assessment of Head-eye Coordination during Driving - DP0665402 Australian Research Council Discovery Grant. 03/31/06-02/28/09. APD
Publications 2005 - 2006

Moore ST, MacDougall HG, Gracies JM, Cohen HS, Ondo WG. Long-term monitoring of gait in Parkinson's disease. Gait Posture- In Press (Received 4 May 2006; received in revised form 21 July 2006; accepted 8 September 2006 published online 17 October 2006)

Moore ST, MacDougall HG, Cohen H, Peters B, Bloomberg J. GVS Modeling locomotor dysfunction following spaceflight with Galvanic vestibular stimulation. Experimental Brain Volume 174, Number 4 / October, 2006 (Received: 23 December 2005 Accepted: 11 April 2006 Published online: 9 June 2006)

MacDougall HG, Moore S, Curthoys I, Black O. Modeling postural instability with Galvanic vestibular stimulation. Experimental Brain Research Volume 172, Number 2 / June, 2006 (Received: 24 August 2005 Accepted: 2 December 2005 Published online: 24 January 2006)


Conference Presentations

S. Moore, H. MacDougall, J. Gracies, W. Ondo. Assessment of locomotor response to levodopa in fluctuating Parkinson’s disease. The Movement Disorder Society’s 10th International Congress of Parkinson’s Disease and Movement Disorders, October 28 - November 2, 2006 – Kyoto, Japan


MacDougall, HG and Moore, ST. Galvanic Vestibular Stimulation as a model for Space Adaptation Syndrome. 7th Symposium on The Role of The Vestibular Organs in Space Exploration 7 - 9 June 2006 ESTEC, Noordwijk, The Netherlands. Talk

Moore, ST; MacDougall, HG; Clark, JB; Wuyts, FEL; Lesceu, X; Speyer, JJ. Spatial disorientation during orbiter landing. 7th Symposium on The Role of The Vestibular Organs in Space Exploration 7 - 9 June 2006 ESTEC, Noordwijk, The Netherlands. Talk.


Floris L. Wuyts, Hamish G. MacDougall, Nathalie Pattyn, Steven T. Moore. Head-eye coordination and reaction time during G-level transitions experienced during the 39th and 41st ESA-parabolic flight campaigns. Talk - Aerospace Medical Association, 77th Annual Scientific Meeting. May 14-18, 2006


Black F.O.; MacDougall H.G.; Moore S.T.; Curthoys I.S. Modelling Vestibulopathic Postural Instability with Galvanic Vestibular Stimulation. Poster presented at the Society for


Other publications


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Experimental Brain Research (1)

Other contributions
NASA Certificate of Recognition for a Space Act Award, November 8, 2005

Seminars
Functional Assessment of Pilots Head-Eye Coordination and performance - QANTAS Flight Operations Training Research 20 December 2006
Demonstration of new Firewire cameras for recording of eye movements - Royal Prince Alfred Hospital - Eye and Ear Research Unit, 6 December 2006
Functional Assessment of Head-Eye Coordination during Driving - Motor Accidents Authority – Medical Assessors Forum 8 November 2006
There's more to stability than COG - Royal Prince Alfred Hospital - Eye and Ear Research Unit, 19 July 2006
Analysis of head and body postural stability using Inertial Measurement Units - CNRS Paris 21 November 2005
Spatial disorientation – how the brain interprets linear acceleration during flight - TNO Amsterdam 24 Jan 2005

Dr. Helen Paterson

Research Interests

My research investigates ways to train firefighters about decision making under stress. In particular, I train firefighters to be more adaptable to novel situations using error-based training. I am also interested in social cognition and social influence, specifically the effects of discussion on memory.

Publications 2005 - 2006


Conference Posters and Presentations

Paterson, H.M., Ng, J., & Kemp, R.I. (2006, July). Combating co-witness contamination: Is it possible to reduce the negative effects of co-witness discussion on eyewitness memory? In H. Paterson (Chair), Factors affecting eyewitness memory. Symposium accepted for presentation at the International Conference on Memory, Sydney, Australia.


Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)

Manuscript Reviewing
Applied Cognitive Psychology (2)
Conference Proceedings of the 2006 Joint Conference of the APS and NZPsS (5)

Professional Affiliations
Student member of the Society for Applied Research in Memory and Cognition

Other contributions
Supervision of students in the Talented Students Program

Dr Melanie Price

Research Interests
My primary area of research is psychosocial aspects of cancer, including psychosocial risk factors for developing cancer, the impact of being at high genetic risk of developing cancer, and the psychosocial factors that affect the course and outcome of cancer for patients and their carers. Current research projects include collaborations with the Kathleen Cuningham Consortium for Research into Familial breast cancer (kConFab) and the Australian Ovarian Cancer Study (AOCS). My primary collaborators include Professor Phyllis Butow, Professor Christopher Tennant, Dr Penny Webb, Dr Elizabeth Lobb, Dr Josephine Clayton.

Grants 2005 - 2006


Publications 2005 - 2006


Price M, Butow P, Kirsten L. (2006) Support and training needs of cancer support group leaders: a


**Conference Abstracts/Presentations**


Price M, Butow P, Grivas D, Webb P, Loos C. Psychological distress, social support and unmet needs in ovarian cancer caregivers: how caregiver needs differ from patient needs. *8th World Congress of Psycho-Oncology*, October 2006. Italy.

Price MA, Butow PN, Grivas D, Webb PM, Loos C. Psychological distress, social support and unmet support needs of women with ovarian cancer and their informal caregivers. *33rd Clinical Oncological Society of Australia Annual Scientific Meeting held with The Australian Health and Medical Research Congress*, Nov 2006, Melbourne.

**Research Related Professional Activities (2005-2006)**

**Manuscript Reviewing**

Social Science and Medicine (4)
Psychosomatic Medicine (1)
Supportive Care in Cancer (4)
Nature Clinical Practice Oncology (2)
Australian Veterinary Journal (1)
Australian Psychological Society Journal Clinical Psychologist (2)

Professional Affiliations
International Psycho-Oncology Society (Member)
Clinical Oncological Society of Australia (Member)
Australian Psychological Society (Associate Member)
Kathleen Cuningham Consortium for Research into Familial Breast Cancer Executive Committee (Member)
Human Research Ethics Committee, University of Sydney (Member)
Familial Cancer: Research and Practice 2007 (conference organising committee)
University of Sydney Cancer Research Network (Sydney Cancer Conference 2008 working group)

Other contributions
Postgraduate Research Degree Completions

Doctor of Philosophy

Melissa Baysari
Thesis Title: Discrete trial instrumental behaviour and reinforcer devaluation
Supervisors: Bob Boakes and Justin Harris

Marita Brack
Thesis Title: Social Information Processing in Oppositional Defiant Disordered and Conduct Disordered Children.
Supervisors: Pauline Howie and Deborah Erickson

Amber Carver
Thesis Title: The role of response inhibition as a cause of poor self-control.
Supervisors: David Livesey and Margaret Charles

John Clarke
Thesis Title: Challenging the assumptions underlying offender profiling of Australian sexual homicide offenders: Offender development, crime scene behaviour, and profiler experiential knowledge.
Supervisors: John Predebon and Clare Wilson

Kelly Clemens
Thesis Title: The effects of MDMA and methamphetamine co-administration on rats.
Supervisors: Iain McGregor and Jennifer Cornish

Robert Fosterlee
Thesis Title: Not so Individually Different: Assessing the PIM Model of Personality, Interests and Motivations for Predicting Cognitive Abilities
Supervisors: Damian Birney and David Grayson

Jason Gallate
Thesis Title: Investigation of novel pharmaceuticals to treat ethanol addiction using a rodent model.
Supervisors: Iain McGregor and Justin Harris

Justine Gatt
Thesis Title: The Grossarth-Maticzek Personality Stress Inventory: Validation of a refined inventory and effects of assertiveness training/relaxation on individuals with disease-prone behaviours
Supervisors: Alan Craddock, Julie Hatfield and Rod McDonald

Rebecca Hagerty
Thesis Title: Facilitation of communication about prognosis in the metastatic cancer setting.
Supervisors: Phyllis Butow and Martin Tattersall

Daniel Hermens
Thesis Title: Psychophysiological sex differences in Attention Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).
Supervisors: Lea Williams and Evian Gordon

Stephen Hicks
Thesis Title: Vestibular and optokinetic input to the hippocampus
Supervisors: Ian Curthoys and Darren Gilchrist

Danielle Karazinov
Thesis Title: Inhibitory learning in human predictive judgements
Supervisors: Bob Boakes and Chris Mitchell

Juno Kim
Thesis Title: Behavioural and neural responses induced during galvanic vestibular stimulation (GVS) in the guinea pig.
Supervisors: Ian Curthoys, Michael Halmagyi and Darren Gilchrist

Belinda Liddell
Thesis Title: An integrated study of the temporal and spatial neural correlates of nonconscious emotion perception: Simple or complex?
Supervisors: Lea Williams and Bob Boakes

Carolyn MacCann
Thesis Title: Creating a situational judgment test of emotion management strategies.
Supervisors: Beryl Hesketh, Richard Roberts and David Grayson

Pamela Marsh
Thesis Title: Emotion in adolescent ADHD and schizophrenia.
Supervisors: Cyril Latimer, Lea Williams and Evian Gordon
Ben Marx
*Thesis Title:* Understanding the relationship between moral reasoning and liberalism-conservatism.
*Supervisors:* Fiona White and Soames Job

Susanne Murphy
*Thesis Title:* Bias in comparative ability perception: Imagery as a unifying model
*Supervisors:* Soames Job and Bob Boakes

Glen Newbery
*Thesis Title:* Meaning in scientific psychology
*Supervisors:* Terry McMullen and George Oliphant

Gina Sartore
*Thesis Title:* Transient and sustained allocation of attention in visual pattern recognition: some determinants and consequences
*Supervisors:* Cyril Latimer and Caleb Owens

**Master of Psychology / Doctor of Philosophy**

Fadi Anjoul
*Thesis Title:* Addictive behaviours: Assessment of cue exposure with response prevention as a treatment for gambling addictions
*Supervisors:* Louise Sharpe and Michael Walker

Alison Bowman
*Thesis Title:* Psychological and visual-perceptual explanations of poor compensation following unilateral vestibular loss.
*Supervisors:* Caroline Hunt and Michael Halmagyi

**Doctor of Clinical Psychology / Doctor of Philosophy**

Karyn Levy
*Thesis Title:* A treatment programme for children experiencing anxiety and aggression.
*Supervisors:* Sandra Heriot and Caroline Hunt

**Doctor of Clinical Psychology / Master of Science**

Thomas Arena
*Thesis Title:* Neuropsychological indices of mental chronometry in first-episode and chronic schizophrenia.
*Supervisors:* Lea Williams and Anthony Harris

Taryn Bloom
*Thesis Title:* Appetite awareness training in the treatment of childhood obesity
*Supervisors:* Louise Sharpe and Sandra Heriot

Esthel De Toffol
*Thesis Title:* Measuring quality of life in people with Multiple Sclerosis: a comparison of general and MS specific measures
*Supervisors:* Louise Sharpe and G. Fulcher

Christina Donatti
*Thesis Title:* Current diagnostic criteria for anxiety and depression in the older adult group (65 and over).
*Supervisors:* Caroline Hunt and Henry Brodaty

Evril Freckleton
*Thesis Title:* The role of illness representations for treatment adherence & emotional adjustment in parents of children with insulin dependent diabetes mellitus.
*Supervisors:* Louise Sharpe and Sandra Heriot

Claire Groves
*Thesis Title:* Identification of near misses in electronic gambling machines and their relationship to gambling behaviour.
*Supervisors:* Louise Sharpe and Alex Blaszczynski

Anna Harvey
*Thesis Title:* The effects of short-term high dose testosterone on cognition and mood in older men.
*Supervisor:* Louise Sharpe

Sandi Hill
*Thesis Title:* Maladaptive schema in eating disorders
*Supervisors:* Stephen Touyz and Louise Sharpe
Lyndel Mayoh  
*Thesis Title:* Testing the efficacy of internet therapy for panic disorder  
*Supervisor:* Stephen Touyz

Linda Nguy  
*Thesis Title:* Ethnicity, attitudes and bullying: A study of Australian high school students  
*Supervisors:* Caroline Hunt and Sandra Heriot

Jodie Parker  
*Thesis Title:* Understanding treatment retention in substance dependency: A retrospective study.  
*Supervisors:* Stephen Touyz and Alex Blaszczynski

Anne-Marie Emilie Rivet  
*Thesis Title:* Preventing adolescent depression in Mauritius: The efficacy of a universal school-based programme.  
*Supervisors:* Sandra Heriot and Caroline Hunt

Mariana Scriva  
*Thesis Title:* Emotion regulation and interpersonal schemata in depressed and aggressive youth.  
*Supervisors:* Sandra Heriot and Caroline Hunt

Rebecca Sng  
*Thesis Title:* Social outcomes of humour in children.  
*Supervisor:* Pauline Howie

Joanne Taylor  
*Thesis Title:* Cognitive-behavioural treatment of body image disturbance in anorexia nervosa.  
*Supervisors:* Stephen Touyz and L. George

Kathryn Taylor  
*Thesis Title:* Maladaptive schemas and PTSD symptomatology in homeless adults with a history of trauma.  
*Supervisor:* Louise Sharpe

Anna Wheatley  
*Thesis Title:* Visual processing in neurodegenerative disease.  
*Supervisor:* Diana Caine

Catherine Williams  
*Thesis Title:* The role of developmental challenges of adolescence in predicting treatment adherence and glycaemic control in individuals with IDDM.  
*Supervisors:* Louise Sharpe and Stephen Touyz
**Postgraduate Prizes and Scholarships 2005**

**Michelle Lakota:** *The GDP Prize:* Awarded to the student with the best performance in the Graduate Diploma in Psychology.

**Caroline Anderson:** *Martin & Elizabeth Jane Simmat Prize:* Awarded to the student with the best performance in the Graduate Diploma in Science (Psychology).

**Zoe Terpening** and **Sandy Vickerstaff:** *A.H. Martin Prize:* Awarded to the student who shows greatest proficiency in Part I of Doctor of Clinical Psychology.

**Ainslie Hatch:** *Martin & Elizabeth Jane Simmat Prize:* Awarded to the student with the best performance in Part II of the Doctor of Clinical Psychology.

**Kathryn Taylor:** *School Prize:* Awarded to the student with the best performance in Part III of the Doctor of Clinical Psychology.

**Alison Bowman** and **Jason Gallate:** *H Tasman Lovell Memorial Medallion:* Awarded to the student with the best PhD thesis awarded in the calendar year.

**Jason Gallate:** *The APS Excellent PhD Prize*

**School Postgraduate Publication Prize**
- Daniel Hermens • Laura Kirsten • Belinda Liddell • Joel Pearson

**School Postgraduate Conference Presentation Prize**
- David Bowman • Kathryn Taylor

**Australian Postgraduate Award (APA)**

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Sarah Wilson: The GDP Prize: Awarded to the student with the best performance in the Graduate Diploma in Psychology.

Mark Toh: Martin & Elizabeth Jane Simmat Prize: Awarded to the student with the best performance in the Graduate Diploma in Science (Psychology).

Melissa Mondello: A.H. Martin Prize: Awarded to the student who shows greatest proficiency in Part I of Doctor of Clinical Psychology.

Kylie Richardson: Martin & Elizabeth Jane Simmat Prize: Awarded to the student with the best performance in Part II of the Doctor of Clinical Neuropsychology.

Laura Nilon: School Prize: Awarded to the student with the best performance in Part II of the Doctor of Clinical Psychology.


Belinda Liddell and Tamara Watson: H Tasman Lovell Memorial Medallion: Awarded to the student with the best PhD thesis awarded in the calendar year.

School Postgraduate Publication Prize

Highly Commended: Lucy Albertella • Nadine Kasparian • Evelyn Smith • Lauren Staples
Tamara Watson

Prize: Thomas Whitford

School Postgraduate Conference Presentation Prize

• Ben Colagiuri • Garth Hargreaves • Joshua McGrane • Jane Phillips *

Australian Postgraduate Award (APA)

Myvan Bui
Ben Colagiuri
Nicholas Cooper
Daniel Costa
Kristan Kang

Nadine Kasparian
Vanessa Loh
Joshua McGrane
Amanda Parker
Kristi Paul

Joel Pearson
Kiley Seymour
Gordon Spence
Tamara Watson

Other Postgraduate Scholarships

Deepa Chauhan
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Garth Hargreaves
Zoe Terpening
Michelle Pritchard
Anne Connoly
Ljiljana Sokolic
Thida Thein
Murray Thompson
Rachel Zordan
Fiona Pavlakis
Despina Sfakinos

Australian Rotary Health Research Fund Scholarship
University Postgraduate Scholarship
Australian Brewers Postgraduate Scholarship
Winifred O’Neill Scholarship
NHMRC Postgraduate Scholarship
Margaret Stewart Scholarship
ARC Postgraduate Scholarship
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Undergraduate Prizes and Scholarships 2005

Dilhan Perera: Lithgow Scholarship No. V for Psychology: Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 1, tenurable for one year - Value $650

Hannah Pincham: Frank Albert Prize for Psychology: Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 2 - tenurable for one year - Value $200. Lithgow Scholarship No. VI for Psychology: Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 2 tenurable for one year - Value $650

Natassia Goode: Blanka Buring Prize: Awarded to the highest ranked Arts III student enrolled in Psychology 3 - Value $400

Adam Bentvelzen: Lithgow Scholarship No. VII for Psychology: Awarded to the highest ranked student in Psychology 3, tenurable for one year - Value $650

Kim Kiely: Australian Psychological Society Prize for Honours: Awarded to the highest ranked student in Psychology 4 (Honours) - Value $200

Nick Doumani: Dick Thomson Prize for Psychology 4: Awarded for the best Empirical Thesis in Psychology 4 (Honours) in the area of social psychology - Value $60

Morag Bell: O’Neil Prize for Psychology 4: Awarded for the best Theoretical Theses in Psychology 4 (Honours) - Value $200

Ran Didi Shi: Dick Champion Prize for Psychology 4: Awarded for the best Empirical Thesis in Psychology 4 (Honours) in the area of learning and/or motivation - Value $200

Rachel Cameron and Marie Nagy (shared jointly): University Medal at Graduation: Awarded to the students whose performance in the Honours year was of outstanding merit.

School Prize for the student with the highest mark in each Unit of Study – Value $75:

P1001 Psychology
P1002 Psychology
P2011 Brain & Behaviour
P2012 Statistics & Research Methods for Psychology
P2013 Cognitive Processes & Social Psychology

P2114 Personality & Differential Psychology
P3201 Statistics & Psychometrics
P3202 History & Philosophy of Psychology
P3203 Abnormal Psychology
P3204 Behavioural Neuroscience
P3205 Cognition, Language & Thought
P3206 Developmental Psychology
P3209 Learning & Motivation
P3210 Perceptual Systems
P3211 Psychological Assessment
P3212 Social Psychology
P3214 Communication & Counselling
P3215 Cognitive Neuroscience & Neuropsychology

Emily Small
Dilhan Perera
Thomas Cusbert
Hannah Pincham
Nicki Chua, Hannah Pincham
R Porzig-Drummond
Hannah Pincham
Tammi Ling, David Pasalich
Quincy Wong
Michael Connors
Wakaho Hayashi
Chela Weitzel
Emily Dale, Kathryn Phippen
Anne Sheridan
Clare Higgins
Melanie Nguyen
Michael Connors
Adam Bentvelzen, Emma Tseris
Chela Weitzel
Adam Bentvelzen, Chela Weitzel
**Undergraduate Prizes and Scholarships 2006**

**Aaron Veldre:** Lithgow Scholarship No. V for Psychology: Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 1, tenurable for one year - Value $650

**Dilhan Perera:** Frank Albert Prize for Psychology: Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 2 - tenurable for one year - Value $200.

**Lithgow Scholarship No. VI for Psychology:** Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 2 tenurable for one year - Value $650

**Dilhan Perera:** Frank Albert Prize for Psychology: Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 2 - tenurable for one year - Value $200.

**Lithgow Scholarship No. VI for Psychology:** Awarded to the student placed first in Psychology 2 tenurable for one year - Value $650

**Liesbeth Geerlings:** Blanka Buring Prize: Awarded to the highest ranked Arts III student enrolled in Psychology 3 - Value $400

**Hannah Pincham:** Lithgow Scholarship No. VII for Psychology: Awarded to the highest ranked student in Psychology 3, tenurable for one year - Value $650

**Quincy Wong:** Australian Psychological Society Prize for Honours: Awarded to the highest ranked student in Psychology 4 (Honours) - Value $200

**Elian Fink:** Dick Thomson Prize for Psychology 4: Awarded for the best Empirical Thesis in Psychology 4 (Honours) in the area of social psychology - Value $60

**Meg Dennison:** O’Neil Prize for Psychology 4: Awarded for the best Theoretical Theses in Psychology 4 (Honours) - Value $200

**Joanna Fardell:** Dick Champion Prize for Psychology 4: Awarded for the best Empirical Thesis in Psychology 4 (Honours) in the area of learning and/or motivation - Value $200

**Ranjini Acharya, Adam Bentvelzen, Leonardo Gabales, Quincy Wong** (shared jointly): University Medal at Graduation: Awarded to the students whose performance in the Honours year was of outstanding merit.

**School Prize for the student with the highest mark in each Unit of Study – Value $75:**

- P1001 Psychology: Andrea Rodriguez
- P1002 Psychology: Stephanie Barnes
- P2011 Brain & Behaviour: Dilhan Perera
- P2012 Statistics & Research Methods for Psychology: Dilhan Perera
- P2013 Cognitive Processes & Social Psychology: Emily Karanges
- P2114 Personality & Differential Psychology: Tanya Vavilova
- P3010 Advanced Statistics for Psychology: Hannah Pincham
- P3011 Learning & Behaviour: Hannah Pincham
- P3012 Cognition, Language & Thought: Liesbeth Geerlings
- P3013 Perceptual Systems: Stewart Heitmann
- P3014 Behavioural & Cognitive Neuroscience: Hannah Pincham
- P3015 Intelligence and Human Reasoning: Hannah Pincham
- P3016 Developmental Psychology: Liesbeth Geerlings
- P3017 Social Psychology: Wakaho Hayashi
- P3018 Abnormal Psychology: Grace Ng
- P3019 Communication & Counselling: Josephine Paparo