

## Pathology demystified

### *Free Pathology Week lectures nationally, March 9 – 16<sup>th</sup> 2009*

Pathology underpins almost all medical care and chronic disease management, and yet for so many Australians, very little is understood about this vital medical profession.

It is so much more than just “CSI” – pathology provides the definitive diagnosis and treatment plan for the one in two Australian men and the one in three Australian women who will be affected by cancer in their lifetime. It underpins the diagnosis and treatment of chronic diseases for the millions of sufferers nationally.

Pathology provides insights into our genetics, our susceptibility to myriad diseases and conditions, and direction for the best care.

Australians have the opportunity to learn more about this fascinating and vital profession in a series of free public lectures to be held nationally during the sixth annual **Pathology Week**, hosted by the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia (RCPA) from March 9<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> 2009.

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### **“Unravelling the mysteries of cancer through pathology”**

*A free public lecture series designed to shed light on the critical role of pathology within the cancer diagnosis and treatment cycle.*

#### **ACT**

Dickson Library: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2:30pm  
Tuggeranong Library: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 5:30pm

#### **NSW**

North Sydney (Stanton) Library: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 6:30pm  
Newcastle Library: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 5:30pm  
Raymond Terrace Library: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2:30pm  
Wollongong Library: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 7:00pm  
Kogarah Library: Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March, 7:00pm

#### **VIC**

Melbourne City Library: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 6:00pm  
Box Hill Library: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 6:00pm

#### **SA**

Adelaide – South West Community Centre: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 7:00pm

#### **QLD**

Gold Coast – Robina Library: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 12:30pm  
Chermside Library: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 1:00pm  
Upper Mount Gravatt – Garden City Library: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 1:00pm

#### **WA**

Perth – Subiaco Library\*: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 12:30pm

\*The pathologist speaking at the Subiaco Library event, Professor Paul Waring, will be giving a lecture on personalised medical treatments and the future of medicine.

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**Editor's Note:**

The free public lectures are open and appropriate for ages 12 and up. As a not for profit organisation, the RCPA appreciates any publication of the details of the lectures to ensure the public is aware of this opportunity to find out more about the role of pathology in cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Pathology Week is being held in the lead up to the RCPA's Pathology Update conference, being hosted in Sydney in conjunction with the 25<sup>th</sup> international WASPaLM Conference, March 13 – 16<sup>th</sup> 2009. For full details on the conference, contact Stephanie Childs at S2i Communications, [Stephanie@s2i.com.au](mailto:Stephanie@s2i.com.au) or visit <http://www.rcpa.edu.au/Continuing/PathologyUpdate.htm>.

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