

Faculty Symposia/Seminars

DataBlitz

31 March **Sleep**

Ben Bullock (Psychology), 'Circadian Rhythms and Sleep in the Vulnerability to Bipolar Disorder'

Mark Schier (BioMedicine), 'Sleep Technologies'

Greg Murray (Psychology), "'Early to bed, early to rise": Psychological correlates of the Protestant work ethic'

Phillip Swan (BSI), 'Sleep and Accidents'

28 April **Democracy**

Brian Costar (ISR), 'The Right to Vote in Australia'

Christine Critchley (Psychology), 'Commercialisation of stem cell research and public trust'

Paul Healy (Philosophy), 'Revitalizing Democracy'

David Mackenzie (ISR), 'Democracy, social exclusion and homelessness'

26 May **Water**

Barry Hancock (Politics), 'An inquiry into the politics of rural water allocation in Victoria'

Ian Harding (Biotechnology), 'Grey water, drinking water and particles'

Fiona Lynch (EBC), 'Microbial safety in Melbourne's drinking water'

Ivan Zwart (ISR), 'Community attitudes to water'

30 June **Alternative Energies**

Julian Donlen (National Centre for Sustainability), 'The sustainable energy challenge'

Francois Malherbe (EBC), 'The Reality of Alternative Energies'

Julia Lamborn (FEIS), 'Landfill Gas: Energy from waste'

Elena Ivanova (EBC), 'Bacterial production of ATP'

28 July **Addiction**

Matthew Berry (Psychology), 'Carrots and Sticks'

Naomi Crafti (Psychology), 'Eating Mindfully'

Rodney Croft (BSI), 'Neural function and recreational drug use'

Ed Ogden (BSI), 'Public Drunkenness - who gets arrested and why?'

25 August **Knowledge Transfer**

Alex Burns (CRC for Smart Internet), 'Domain Anthropology and Software Development Teams'

Dennis Foley (FBE), 'Indigenous epistemology, the original and the best'

Adam Krezel (FEIS), 'Constructing Knowledge'

Julian Thomas (ISR), 'Universities, IP and the RQF'

29 September The Internet

Scott Ewing (ISR), 'World Internet Project'
Lisa Gye (Media), 'Vernacular photography and digital archiving'
Helen McKernan (ISR), 'More Bytes'
Trevor Barr (CRC for Smart Internet), 'Smart Internet 2010 Report'

27 October Sex

Simone Buzwell (Psychology), 'Love on-line: Are Australians using the internet to find "the one"?'
Deb Dempsey (Sociology), 'Reflections on sex, stigma and the constraints of the commercial research environment'
Julie Fricker (Psychology), 'Infidelity'
Susan Moore (Psychology), 'Sex Education Controversies'

24 November Youth

Roslyn Galligan (Psychology), 'Patterns of adolescent distress: gender, SES, family and self'
Paula Geldens (Sociology), '"It's not polluted": Unpacking the importance of place for young people'
Glenn Jessop (ISR), 'Applying the brakes: Public policy responses to mobile phone use in cars'
Denise Meredyth (ISR), 'Youthworx: community radio and at-risk youth'

Sociology Seminar Series

- 12 May Meg Carter** "Stories from the home front"
- 9 June Dr Lyn Turney** "Inside 'paternity fraud'"
- 14 July Dina Bowman** "Doing business and doing family"
- 11 August Dr Deb Dempsey** "Lesbian mothers and the significance of biological relationships"
- 8 September Dr Paula Geldens** "Youth and Identity"
- 13 October Sue Malta** "What implications do 'Aging in Place' policies have for social connectedness amongst older adults?"
- 10 November Robyn Ambler** "The effects of domestic violence on adjustment to adolescence"

Institute of Social Research Seminar Series

- 10 March** **Dr Kath Hulse** "Understanding work disincentives: neoliberal ideology or good public policy?"
- 7 April** **Glenn Jessop** "Mobile phone use while driving: a social policy analysis"
- 2 June** **Dr Robert Hassan** "Speed, time and the political process in Australia"
- 9 June** **Dr Glenn Nicholls** "A hundred years of deportation from Australia"
- 23 June** **Dr Klaus Neumann** "Public memory and reconciliation in perpetrator societies"
- 11 August** **Ian McShane** "Aqua Profonda: Culture and the regeneration of community facilities"
- 1 September** **Prof Trevor Barr** "Broadband policy for Australia: Looking elsewhere"
- 8 September** **Dr Ellie Rennie** "Inside the house of SYN: Youth radio and the creative industries"
- 13 October** **Dr Ivan Zwart** "Deliberative democracy and community storm water management"
- 10 November** **Prof Brian Costar** "Political money and the corruption of Australian democracy"
- 17 November** **Wendy Stone** "Housing and downshifting: how Australian families keep a roof overhead"
- 8 December** **Prof Julian Thomas** "The history of the remote control"

Complex Processes Research Group

- 1 March** **A/Prof Arran Gare** "Process Philosophy, ecological economics and human ecology"
- 15 March** **Jocelyn Dunphy-Blomfield** "Growth or development"
- 29 March** **Jenny Rankin** "Reframing the environmental debate"
- 19 April** **Alan Roberts** "Issues in environmental medicine"
- 26 April** **Emma Aitken** "Models for ecological medicine"

- 10 May** **Stephen Garvey** “Global water supplies”
- 24 May** **Glenn McLaren** “Dynamic Stability”
- 7 June** **Frank Burden** “Natural Capital”
- 2 August** **A/Prof Arran Gare** “Complexity theory and ‘collapse’ “
- 16 August** **Alan Roberts** “Jarad Diamond’s collapse”
- 30 August** **Stephen Garvey** “Sustainability of global Capitalism”
- 13 September** **Mathew Sharp** “An Hegelian perspective on collapse”
- 11 October** **Steve Mackey** “The failure of Islamic civilisation and its lessons”
- 25 October** **Jenny Rankin** “Diamond versus Tainter on collapse”
- 8 November** **Glenn McLaren** “Australia in 2050”

The Environment and Biotechnology Centre Seminar Series

Natasha Mitik-Dineva “Bacterial biofilm formation in confined environments”

Peter Gollan "Investigation into wheat genes encoding FKBP's involved in starch biosynthesis regulation and plant development"

Huimei Wu “Characterisation of genes determining grain quality in cereals”

Lisa Tatai “In-vitro degradation of NovoSorb polyurethanes”

Human Biotechnology and Public Trust Symposium – 23 and 24 November 2006
Taking Stock in 2006: Trends, Perceptions and Regulation

Papers were presented by key representatives from industry, academia and government agencies, providing a multi-sector and multidisciplinary overview of the human biotechnology industry in Australia, from a national perspective and within the global context. Papers ranged across industry overviews and analysis, social research data analysis, law reform, bioethics and government policy and regulation.

Sessions were run under the following headings:

- Commercialisation
- Public Perception and Public Trust
- Consuming Biotechnology
- Human Genetic Databanks
- Stem Cells
- Public Policy

Keynote Speakers

Two keynote addresses were presented. The first was titled “Value Drivers in Australian Biotech: A Reality Check”. The paper was presented by Robert Moses, Chairman of the Board of numerous biotechnology companies in Australia including: Antisense Therapeutics Ltd., TGR Biosciences Ltd., Sylvan Scientific Ltd. And previously Meditech Research Ltd., Amrad Corporation Ltd., and The Australian Stem Cell Centre Ltd.

The second keynote address, titled “The Role of the Human Genetics Advisory Committee (HGAC)” was presented by Professor Ron Trent. Professor Trent is the Chairman of the NHMRC Human Genetics Advisory Committee; Professor of Molecular Genetics (U Syd); Director of the Department of Molecular and Clinical Genetics at the Royal Prince Albert Hospital in Sydney and Executive Director of SUPAMAC – the University’s high throughput DNA analysis service. Member of the Board of Directors of the Garvan Institute of Medical Research (1998-2009); as well as Chairman of the NHMRC’s Gene and related Therapy Research Advisory Panel (1994-2006). Foundation Chief Examiner in Genetics for the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia (1996-2002).