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Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Sir Frank Macfarlane Burnet’s Nobel Prize for Medicine

2010 marks the 50th Anniversary of Sir Frank Macfarlane Burnet being awarded the Nobel Prize for Medicine. The Burnet Institute in conjunction with Monash University would like to invite you to attend a special commemorative Symposium: ‘21st Century Immunology’.

The Symposium will reflect the contemporary consequences of Macfarlane Burnet’s work — the fundamental immunological research and the outcomes of its translation in the prevention and treatment of disease.

The Symposium will involve national and international immunologists in a series of research presentations that thematically cover adaptive and innate immunity, both basic and applied.

Plenary Speaker:

Professor Bernard Malissen (Marseille, France)

Guest Speakers:

- Professor Joe Trapani (Peter MacCallum Institute)
- Professor Fabienne Mackay (Monash University)
- Dr Daniel Christ (Garvan Institute)
- Professor Robyn O’Hehir (Alfred Health)
- Professor Sharon Lewin (Alfred Health)
- Dr Thomas Gebhardt (University of Melbourne)
- Dr Lynn Corcoran (WEHI)
- Professor Jonathan Sprent (Garvan Institute)
- Professor Mark Hogarth (Burnet Institute)

Thursday 2 December 2010

9:00am — 4:30pm

Parkview Hotel — Boulevard Room

562 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne, 3004

This event is free of charge. Morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea provided.

Plenary Speaker

Professor Bernard Malissen (Marseille, France)

Bernard Malissen is an internationally renowned immunologist whose work has laid the foundation of aspects of immunity to cancer, inflammation and infection. He is a Member of the French Academy of Science and was the Director of a major research institute, the Centre d’Immunologie de Marseille-Luminy (1994-2005), a joint unit of the French public research agencies CNRS and INSERM that hosts close to 200 scientists. He is presently finalising the construction of a Center for Immunophenomics that will be devoted to refined phenotyping of mouse models presenting immune disorders and immunodeficiencies under normal and infectious conditions. Professor Malissen also participates in several Editorial Boards (*Immunity, Journal of Experimental Medicine, European Journal of Immunology, EMBO Journal*). He was elected as a Honorary Member of the American Association of Immunologists in 1996.



Celebrating the 50th Anniversary

Sir Frank Macfarlane Burnet OM, AK, KBE

Australia’s greatest virologist and immunologist, Sir Frank Macfarlane Burnet shared the Nobel Prize in 1960 for the discovery of acquired immunological tolerance – how the human body recognises the difference between normal tissues and dangerous invaders. The legacy Sir Frank left is enormously significant with breakthroughs in our understanding of infectious diseases and the immune system and for his contribution to disease prevention and treatment in many different settings.



About Burnet

At Burnet, everything we do is focused on making a sustainable difference to people’s health, in Australia and around the world.

The Burnet Institute is a leading Australian medical research and public health organisation focused on improving the health of disadvantaged and marginalised groups. Burnet’s culture links innovative discovery-oriented research with development and humanitarian action. We integrate our world-class laboratory and field-based research into multidisciplinary programs to prevent, detect and treat diseases of global significance. This unique approach allows us to make a tangible and sustainable impact on health in both developed and developing countries.

Centre for Immunology

The Centre’s mission is to develop novel ways to use the immune system to prevent or treat diseases such as cancer, autoimmunity and infection. Burnet’s Centre for Immunology brings together outstanding research groups and integrates fundamental and applied research programs, to understand the way the immune system functions in health as well as disease. This knowledge is used for the development of novel treatments for incurable or chronic diseases.

