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ASBDD EMCR updates

Can you believe it's almost September? We don't know where 2016 has gone but what a busy year it's been!

Going back to the end of 2015 for a moment, we'd like to congratulate the winners of our ECR oral and poster competitions at the ASBDD 2015 conference. Thank you to all of you who submitted abstracts and attended the conference, we had a fantastic turnout for our ECR events!

Best ECR oral presentation (joint winners):

**Sue Lauder, University of Melbourne
Aswin Ratheesh, University of Melbourne**

Best ECR poster presentation:

Brisa Fernandes, Deakin University

The new year has brought us a new ASBDD EMCR sub-committee member, so we would like to welcome Dr Trung Ngo on board! We will include an EMCR profile on Trung in our next issue.

We are also currently calling for state representatives. If you would like to represent your state and help us to coordinate EMCR events, please contact Emma Gliddon (eglidd@gmail.com).

EMCR Profile: Ms Melanie Ashton

Position: PhD Candidate (1st year)

Department/School: IMPACT Strategic Research Centre, Deakin University (Geelong, VIC)

Qualifications: BSc (Psychology/Psychophysiology), Grad Dip (Psychology).

EMCR stage: Current PhD Candidate

Research Area: Bipolar depression

Description of Research: Trialling a natural medication for bipolar depression.



**Want to be featured in an EMCR profile? Send your details to
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ASBDD EMCR WEBSITE

<http://tinyurl.com/ASBDDDEMCR>

Recent publications by our EMCRs

Joshua, N, **Van Rheenen, TE**, Castle, DJ, & Rossell, SL. (2016). Taking It at "Face Value": The Use of Face Processing Strategies in Bipolar Disorder and Schizophrenia. *Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society: JINS*, 22 (6), 652-661.

This study investigates face processing in people with bipolar disorder and schizophrenia using featural and configural face processing tasks. The results show impairments in both groups compared to controls.

EMCR successes

Emmanuelle Bostock from the University of Tasmania was awarded the Goddard Sapin Jalloustre trust scholarship to travel to France. She will spend some time at INSERM and will then complete summer school in Research Methods in Psychiatry. Congratulations Emmanuelle!

Funding opportunities

STEM + Business Fellowship Program

The STEM+ Business Fellowship Program provides a mechanism for Early Career Researchers (ECR) to build new skills and relationships with industry. <http://www.sief.org.au/FundingActivities/STEM.html>

Victorian Public Healthcare Awards

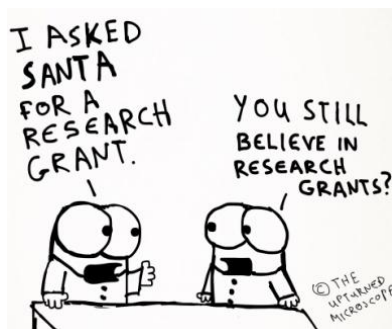
One of the award categories for this years awards is "Improving healthcare through clinical research by an individual early in their career". <https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/health-workforce/recognition-and-awards/victorian-public-healthcare-awards/health-awards-categories>

BUPA Emerging Health Research Award

This award is open to researchers no more than 5 years PhD with a total of \$25,000 on offer. <http://www.bupa.com.au/about-us/bupa-health-foundation/about>

We want your ideas!

What would you like to see the ASBDD EMCR sub-committee do? Are there any events you would like us to hold? Is there any information you would like us to provide in our newsletter or on our website?



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