

## NCARD Community Forum

### Asbestos Awareness Month

**Tuesday 20 November 2018**

**4.00pm – 7.00pm**

Seminar Room, Harry Perkins Institute for Medical Research, QEII

Wittenoom. A building boom in the 1960s. Two of the reasons Western Australia has the highest rate of mesothelioma, per head of population, in the world.

Come and hear a series of short talks, in plain language, about the internationally renowned research work doctors and scientists are doing here in WA to deal with this tragic legacy.

#### **A BIT OF HISTORY & FINDING LUNG CANCER**



##### **A brief history of asbestos disease in WA, and early screening for lung cancer – Professor Fraser Brims**

Fraser is a respiratory physician at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, the Deputy Director of the Institute of Respiratory Health, and a faculty member of the Curtin University Medical School.

#### **FROM LABORATORY TO PATIENT**



##### **New and upcoming clinical treatments for mesothelioma – Professor Anna Nowak and Dr Melvin Chin**

Anna is the Director of the National Centre for Asbestos Related Diseases and is a medical oncologist at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital. She is the 2018 WA Cancer Researcher of the Year.



Dr Melvin Chin is a medical oncologist at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital and is the recipient of a PhD Scholarship from the Asbestos Diseases Society.

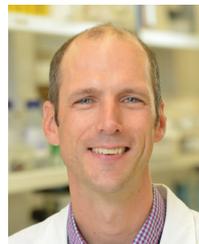
#### **NEW APPROACHES**



##### **New approaches in radiotherapy and immunotherapy – Wes Wilson**

Wes is a PhD student in the National Centre for Asbestos Related Diseases investigating both of these treatment areas.

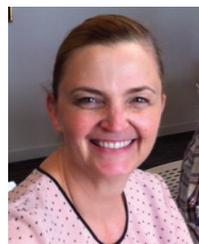
#### **SOMETHING NOVEL**



##### **The invasiveness of mesothelioma and identifying drugs to inhibit it – Dr Joost Lesterhuis**

Joost is a senior researcher at the National Centre for Asbestos Related Diseases who has been investigating novel treatments for existing drugs.

#### **A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE**



##### **Revival of an old cure: using bacteria to fight mesothelioma – Dr Sally Lansley**

Sally is a Senior Research Fellow with the Institute for Respiratory Health.

Please join us for a cup of tea and sweet treat from 4pm to 4.30pm, followed by the talks and questions. There will be laboratory tours from 6pm – numbers for the tours are strictly limited.

Please contact the NCARD Admin Officer Tracy Hayward to book a tour and request a map.  
Phone: **6151 1078** Email: **tracy.hayward@uwa.edu.au**. We look forward to seeing you.