

The next meeting of the New South Wales Branch will be held on

Wednesday, 22 October 2008

6pm for refreshments & 6.30pm for talk

at

Lecture Room 2.4.11, Building 2, University of Technology Sydney, Broadway, Sydney

Malcolm Hudson

Former Professor of Statistics, Macquarie University

Statistical estimates of benefits and hazards of Hormonal Therapy post-menopause:
reconciling observational and trial data

Recently findings have been reported for both observational and randomized trial components (Prentice et al, 2007, 2005) of the Women's Health Initiative, a large US project. Earlier, British women were invited to participate in the Million Women Study, studying potential adverse effects of hormonal therapy. The trial and observational estimates appear at odds, raising many interesting statistical issues concerning the conduct of these well planned studies, and a compelling example of the continuing role of new statistical methodologies in informing public health advice.

Malcolm Hudson recently retired from his appointment as Professor of Statistics, Macquarie University. Recent research interests include biostatistics, statistical methods for health related quality of life, medical imaging, and use of multistate semi-Markov models in randomised clinical trials.

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