

APBG & the Statistical Society of Australia Inc present a workshop on:

Indirect Comparisons in Health Assessments

Friday 30 March 2007
9.00am-4.00pm, Sydney, NSW

Who should attend?

The workshop is aimed at researchers and practitioners who face the dilemma of comparing research results across a few or several studies.

Those who would benefit from attending include:

- Statisticians
- Health Economists
- Health Outcomes Associates
- PBAC Evaluators and Reviewers
- Epidemiologists
- Regulatory Affairs Associates

About the workshop

Researchers have often been frustrated by the inability to compare the results of clinical trials separated in space and time. Recently several authors have reported methods for Indirect Comparisons that allow treatments to be compared even if the treatments were not compared in head-to-head studies (Bucher et al, 1997; J Clin Epi; Lim et al, 2003, BMJ; Song et al, 2003, BMJ; Glenny et al, 2005, Health Technology Assessment). The purpose of the workshop is to review, explain, and critique the literature, and to propose appropriate statistical methods. The topics of the workshop shall include: naïve and adjusted indirect comparisons, fixed versus

random effects, the inherent variability of indirect comparisons, issues of control arms as comparators, and double indirect comparisons.

The speakers will include: Philippa Clark (Pfizer), Patrick Fitzgerald (HT Analysts), Philip McCloud (Roche), Bill Montgomery (Eli Lilly), Kristina Coleman (HT Analysts) and Annie Solterbeck.

Workshop format

Seminar format with time for questions and discussion.

Workshop venue

Caltex Lecture Theatre
Executive Hotel and Conference Centre
Macquarie Graduate School of Management
Talavera Rd
North Ryde NSW 2101

To enrol for the workshop please complete the attached enrolment form and return together with payment by 22 March 2007.



This workshop is sponsored by:

Workshop Program

8.30 am	Registration open
9.00 am	Session 1: Introduction to Indirect Comparisons - Philip McCloud
10.00 am	Morning Tea
10.30 am	Session 2: Design and Interpretation Issues - Philip McCloud
11.00 am	Session 3: The use of Indirect comparisons to compliment RCT evidence – Bill Montgomery & Kristina Coleman
11.30 am	Session 4: Are all comparators Identical? - Philippa Clark
12.00 pm	Lunch
1.00 pm	Session 5: Sources of Variation: fixed or random? - Philip McCloud
1.30 pm	Session 6: Random effects and Bayesian Methods - Patrick Fitzgerald
2.30 pm	Afternoon Tea
3.00 pm	Session 7: Double Comparators: twice the fun? - Annie Solterbeck
3.30 pm	Final discussion
3.45 pm	Close

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Registration Form and Tax Invoice*

* Once completed this form constitutes your Tax Invoice/Receipt. Please retain a copy for your records as additional tax receipts will **not** be issued.

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Dietary Requirements <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten-free <input type="checkbox"/> Other					

All fees include GST.

	Early bird Registration (before 1 March)		Late Registration (after 1 March)	
	SSAI/APBG member	Non-member	SSAI/APBG member	Non-member
Full fee	\$250	\$300	\$300	\$350
Full-time student Discounted fee	\$100	\$125	\$125	\$150

Payment in full must be received prior to the workshop.

Registrations received after **22 March 2007** will attract an additional fee of 20% above the scheduled fee due.

Cancellations – If received prior to 15 March 2007, SSAI will refund your registration fee, less a \$25 administration fee. After this time and up until 7 days prior to the workshop, a 50% cancellation fee applies. After 27 March 2007 no part of the registration fee can be refunded. Registrations are transferable within the same organisation. Please advise any changes to admin@statsoc.org.au

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