



Welcome

On behalf of the organising committee, it gives me great pleasure to invite you to join us at the new Dockside convention centre for the 2011 Annual Scientific Meeting of ISPO Australia.

The major theme for this year's meeting is the *Psychosocial Impact of Disability and Limb Loss* and we are delighted to have Dr Pamela Gallagher, Director of the Dublin Psychoprosthetics Group as our Keynote Speaker.

Through a suite of acclaimed international and national speakers, this meeting aims to demystify psychosocial issues and equip delegates with a greater understanding of the impact of such issues on the management and care of their clients

The meeting will also explore minor themes surrounding the impact of psychosocial issues on children and families and the decision making process underpinning choices between salvage and elective amputation. In addition to these themes, we hope to showcase the experience of our membership through clinical case studies. We have invited an exciting range of expert speakers to stimulate discussion in each of these areas, so that whether you are a clinician, researcher, administrator or funder there will be something for you at this meeting.

While in Sydney, participants will have ample opportunity for networking, socialising and catching the sights – all just a short walk from the venue in the heart of Sydney.

We look forward to welcoming you to ISPO 2011 in Sydney in November.

Dr Greg Bowring
Convenor
ISPO 2011 Sydney

A stylized graphic of a human head in profile, facing right. The head is filled with a complex network of white lines representing neural connections. Overlaid on this are several thick, orange, curved lines that suggest movement or thought processes. Small blue and orange dots are scattered throughout the head and around it, some connected by thin lines. The overall color palette is light blue and orange.

ISPO2011

ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

Psychosocial Impact of Disability and Limb Loss

Dockside, Cockle Bay Wharf, Sydney, NSW
3 - 5 November 2011

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr Pamela Gallagher



Dr Pamela Gallagher is Senior Lecturer in Psychology at Dublin City University and a director of the Dublin Psychoprosthetics Group. She has published

extensively in areas of quality of life, body image, psychosocial adjustment to amputation, optimising prosthetic prescription, identity and limb loss, and outcome measurement.

Dr Gallagher developed the acclaimed *Trinity Amputation and Prosthesis Experience Scales (TAPES)*, an instrument designed to assess the psychosocial issues related to adjusting to wearing a prosthetic device.

She is the editor of *'Enabling Technology: Body Image and Body Function'* and *'Psychoprosthetics'* and currently serves on the editorial boards of *'Prosthetics and Orthotics International'*, *'Rehabilitation Psychology'*, and the *'Irish Journal of Psychology'*.

This year Dr Pamela Gallagher will present the keynote address on the meeting's major theme, the *Psychosocial Impact of Disability and Limb Loss*.

Meeting Themes

The major theme of the meeting is:

- **The Psychosocial Impact of Disability and Limb Loss**

In addition to the keynote address, we are delighted to have supporting speakers to help us extend our understanding of the *Psychosocial Impact of Disability and Limb Loss* into the areas of Mental Health Literacy and the impact of traumatic injury on psychosocial wellbeing.

Minor themes for the meeting include:

- **The Psychosocial Impact of Disability and Limb Loss on Children and Their Families**

Adjusting to disability and limb loss presents many challenges for young people and their families as they encounter the demands of everyday life. Invited Speakers will explore a range of aspects pertinent to this theme and your contributions are also encouraged.

- **Where Angels Fear to Tread: Partial Foot Versus Syme's Amputation: When, Where, How & Why Not?**

High risk foot clinics and diabetic foot units are an important part of efforts to prevent and reduce the incidence of major amputation in vascularly compromised and diabetic individuals. This theme explores crucial issues when considering partial foot amputation and will be led by a multidisciplinary team of recognised experts in the field. Your additional contributions highlighting the outcomes and experiences of the multidisciplinary team approach to partial foot amputation are particularly encouraged.

- **Case Studies: Share Your Experience**

Have you recently treated a complex or unusual case? Tried a different approach to your treatment? If so, then we'd encourage you to present a case study.

Case studies provide a wonderful opportunity to share these experiences and your expertise. What you've learnt might help someone manage a client with similar challenges. Whatever your professional background or role in the health management team may be, we're interested in case studies related to the management of persons with disability and limb loss.

Abstract Submission:

The International Society of Prosthetics and Orthotics is seeking submissions of abstracts for paper and poster presentations on a diverse range of topics related to persons with musculoskeletal disability and limb loss. Research papers, technical notes, clinical case studies and literature reviews are welcomed.

Given the scope of the major theme, we would particularly encourage a diverse range of health professionals to consider submitting abstracts based on their work with prosthetic and orthotic clients.

Submissions relating to both the major and minor themes are encouraged. Some of these areas may include:

- Paediatric clients
- High risk foot management
- Complex clinical case studies
- Rehabilitation
- Adjustment to disability or limb loss
- Outcome measures
- Biomechanics

All modes of presentation will receive equal weighting in the meeting proceedings. Work-in-progress reports will be considered for poster presentations.

Instructions for authors

If you are interested in presenting, download the abstract proforma from the conference website: www.ispoconference.com.au.

ISPO Australia has developed a suite of specific abstract proforma to assist authors prepare their abstract. Depending on the nature of your work, you can now download a standard proforma or one customised for a case study, technical note or literature review.

Each proforma contains instructions for completing the abstract. Please refer to the ISPO 2011 website for instructions on abstract submissions. If you require assistance, please contact the ISPO 2011 Meeting Secretariat.

When submitting your abstract, please consider nominating for one of ISPO Australia's awards. Award guidelines are also available on the ISPO 2011 website.

All abstracts must be submitted through the online process via the website www.ispoconference.com.au.

IMPORTANT DATES:

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| • Online registration available: | 20 May 2011 |
| • Submission of abstracts closing date: | 1 August 2011 |
| • Notification of authors: | 9 September 2011 |
| • Early bird registration closes: | 15 September 2011 |
| • Speaker registration deadline: | 3 October 2011 |

Registration Fees:

All registration fees are GST inclusive

• ISPO Member Early Bird Full Registration*	\$500.00
• Non-Member Early Bird Full Registration*	\$600.00
• ISPO Member Standard Full Registration	\$550.00
• Non-Member Standard Full Registration	\$650.00
• Student Registration**	\$300.00
• Day Delegate Registration**	\$300.00

* Early bird registration closes on Thursday, 15 September 2011.

** Student and Day Delegate Registrations excludes the Gala Dinner. However these delegates are welcome to attend at an additional cost of \$105.00.

Sponsorship and Exhibition:

The industry exhibition will be open for the duration of the meeting and will become a hub for delegates. All catering stations will be located in the trade exhibition area, including the Welcome Reception, morning teas, lunches and afternoon teas. There are currently numerous sponsorship opportunities available including Principal and Major Sponsorship of the event, social function sponsorship, satchel inserts and manufacturer workshops. For more information, or to discuss other options please contact the ISPO 2011 Meeting Secretariat.



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The ISPO 2011 ASM website will be updated regularly as the program develops.

For further information about the meeting, venue, scientific program, abstract submission, sponsoring or exhibiting, accommodation, social functions and registration information, please visit: www.ispoconference.com.au.

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