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Introduction

The International Academy of Pathology (IAP) annual meeting plays an important role in updating the standard pathological diagnoses, encouraging the study of obscure disease etiologies and promoting active debate on controversial disease entities. In addition, it provides a platform for dynamic exchange of academic information and mutual collaboration between countries necessary for the prevention of diseases, especially communicable disease outbreak (such as the recent SARS and Bird flu epidemics), and in the subjugation of malignant diseases.

Member countries take turn to host the meeting. Last year's meeting was in Thailand, this year is Australia and next year it will be in Beijing. Malaysian pathologists enthusiastically take part in these meetings, either as delegates, presenting research findings or as invited lecturers.(see enclosed Program book).

The Host City

Brisbane is Australia's largest sub-tropical city. Currently, it is spring going into summer, with temperatures ranging from a low of 14 °C (at night) to a high of 30 °C (during midday to early afternoon). Humidity is around 75%.

It is a modern city, populated by 1.3 million people. The inner city is composed of a mixture of tall modern building and older Victorian or Edwardian buildings. The jacaranda tree is currently in full bloom, giving the city an intriguing beauty (see figure 1, page 6).

There are many tourist attractions within and around the city such as The Brisbane Botanic Garden, The Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary, Museums, Arts Centres, the Sunshine Coast and the Gold coast where the Sea World and Warner Studio Park are located.

The Congress

Praise has to be said to the organizers for the smooth running of the whole event. As can be seen from the program book, each day is divided into basically four segments i.e 0830 – 1030, 1030-1200, 1200-1300, 1300-1400, 1400-1530, 1530-1600, 1600-1730 sessions. For each session, there may be up till 11 different symposiums or short courses or slide seminars running concurrently. On

organizing committee, chaired by Professor Robin Cooke, is composed of a mixture of various professionals, including event managers and congress organizers warrant just praise.

The Brisbane Convention Centre, located on the South bank of the Brisbane river, is within walking distance of the city centre. It has its own kitchen, with an army of chefs to prepare sandwich lunches, and pastries for tea. The robustness of the convention centre also deserves a remark. As the banners and other amenities for our congress were put up, other exhibition in the adjacent smaller halls was torn down with minimal disturbance to the running the set up.

Security was tight; name badges must be worn at all time, those without was barred from entering the conference area.

The Fee

The registration fee for a full time delegate was AUD 1400.00.

Optional slide seminars and short courses costs an additional AUD 110.00 and AUD 70.00 each to attend (please refer Registration Summary insert)

The Delegates

One thousand odd participants attended the congress from various parts of the world (see Delegate List). In addition, the organizing committee brought together an impressive panel of international experts. Most number of delegates came from the host country, Australia. There are substantial number of delegates from North America, European countries and Japan. Malaysia was represented by 13

pathologists, most of whom presented research papers or case reports. Four of these are affiliated to University Sains Malaysia Pathology department (see delegate list).

Social Events

The XXV IAP congress committee arranged for an array of social gathering to allow fellow delegates to enjoy each other's company and form networks. Most of these events are included in the registration fee. For full details of these events, please refer to the program book under the chapter of Social Program.

The Scientific Programs

The depth and breath of the scientific program is mind boggling (refer to program book). The topic ranges from new entities in surgical pathology, emerging infections (with a special focus on the pathology of SARS), to progress in cancer research, newer technologies, accreditation and training of future pathologists and issues in forensic pathology.

The proceedings are published in the supplement issue of Pathology International Journal (vol 54, supplement 1, Oct 2004).

Free Paper Presentation (Wednesday 13 October 2004 0830-1030)

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In general the presentation was well received by the audience. The moderator, Prof. Asa suggested further studies on expression of *bax* gene which is known to be overexpressed in papillary carcinoma. The audience consisted of distinguished Professors in endocrine pathology, such as Professor Li Volsi, Prof. Kovacs and Prof. Muller.

Return Home

Flight MH 135 from Brisbane to Kuala Lumpur departed at 2150hrs (15thOctober) and arrived at 0535 hrs (16th October). The connecting flight to Kota Bharu was at 1030hrs. We finally arrived in Kota Bharu at 1130hrs, 16 October 2004.

Conclusion

On the whole, it was a very fruitful congress, and the participation was very rewarding. The amount of knowledge gained was tremendous. Further, it is always inspiring to listen to and be in presence of authorities in a particular field.

This inspiration is necessary for one to continue to aim for excellence.

The paper presentation was a success, although no awards was won, since it led to formation of new links and open new door of opportunity for further studies and collaboration to be performed.



Figure 1: A Jacaranda tree in the heart of the Brisbane city, in full bloom.

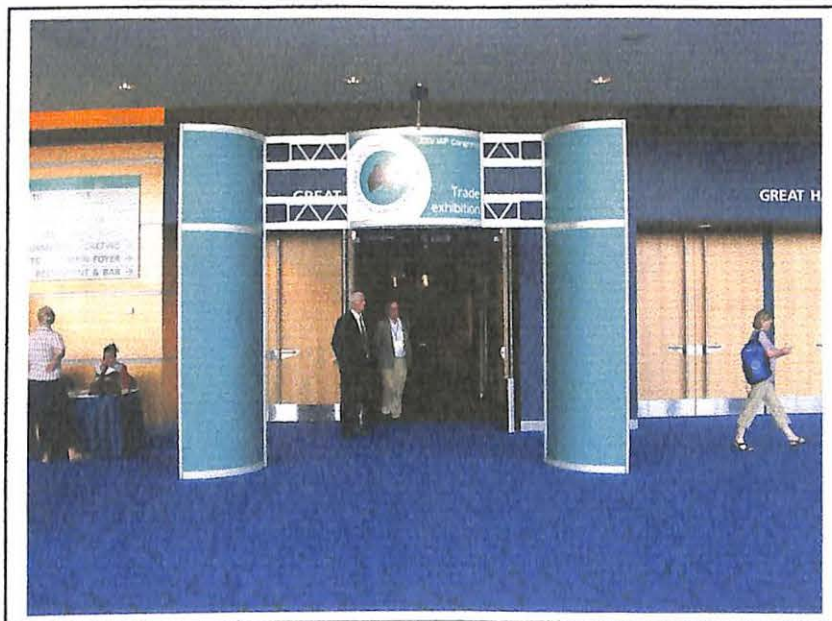


Figure 2 : Entrance to the Trade exhibition hall.

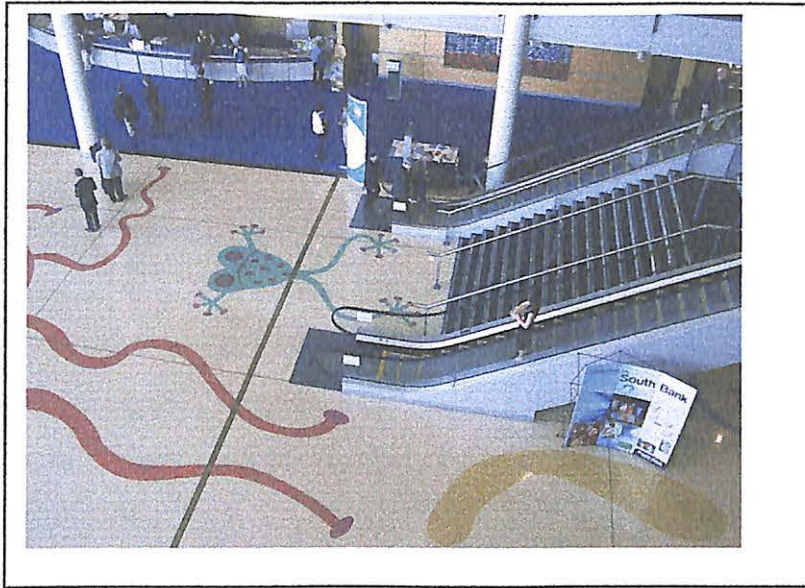


Figure 3: The main lobby of the Convention centre, information desk is seen in the left upper corner. The escalators lead to the entrance of the lecture halls, and small rooms where some of the sessions were held.



Figure 4: Poster viewing area.

Registration Summary

Thank you for registering for the XXV Congress of the International Academy of Pathology.

It is important that you ensure all details are correct, and if any changes are required, it will be necessary for you to e-mail the Congress Managers on michelleh@im.com.au.

Once your on-line registration has been completed, you will receive an email outlining your registration details. If an email is not received, please contact Michelle on the email address above to ensure your registration has been received.

PERSONAL DETAILS

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State	KELANTAN
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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Dietary requirements

Halal

Special requirements

REGISTRATION PAGE

-
Fulltime delegate -
standard

1400.00

OPTIONAL SLIDE SEMINARS

Thursday - 14 October 2004

Amount

1 New entities in surgical
pathology

110.00

Friday - 15 October 2004

Amount

1 Arkadi M Rywlin international pathology
slide seminar club

110.00

OPTIONAL SHORT COURSES

Monday - 11 October 2004

Amount

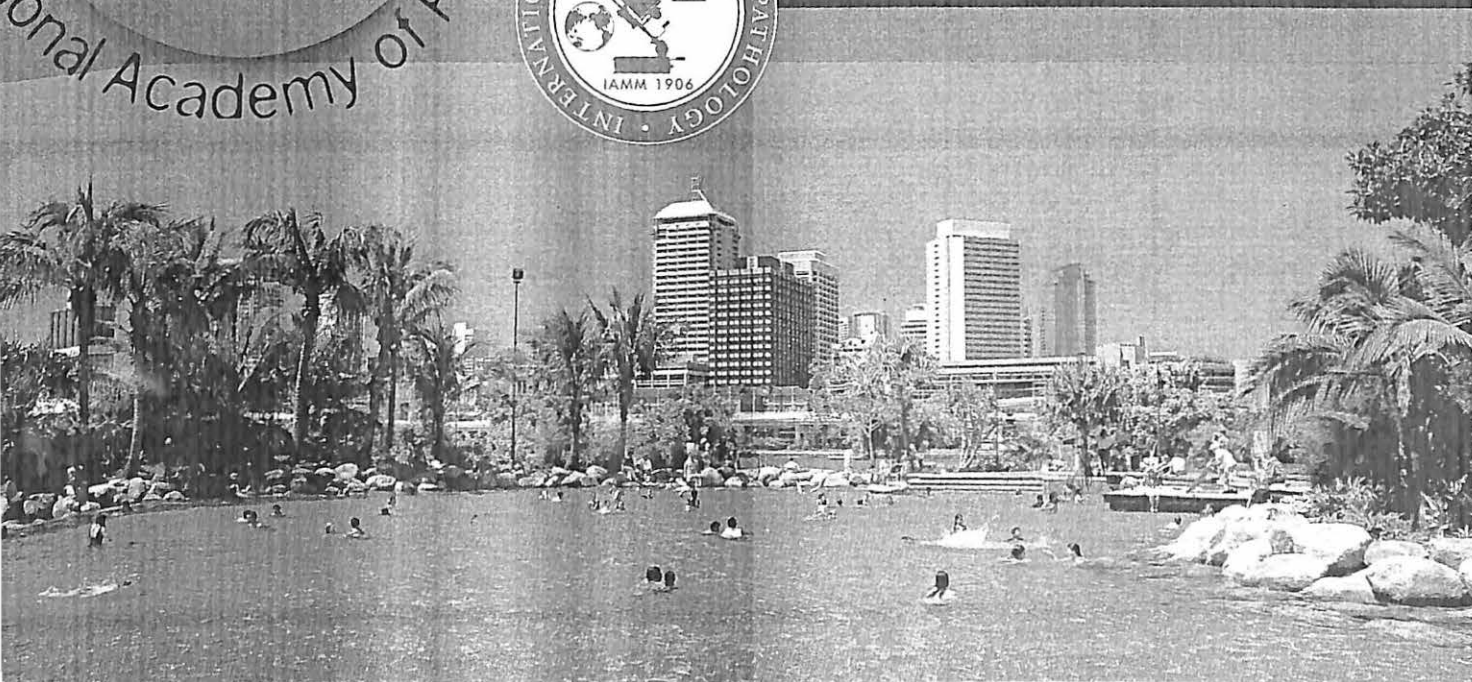
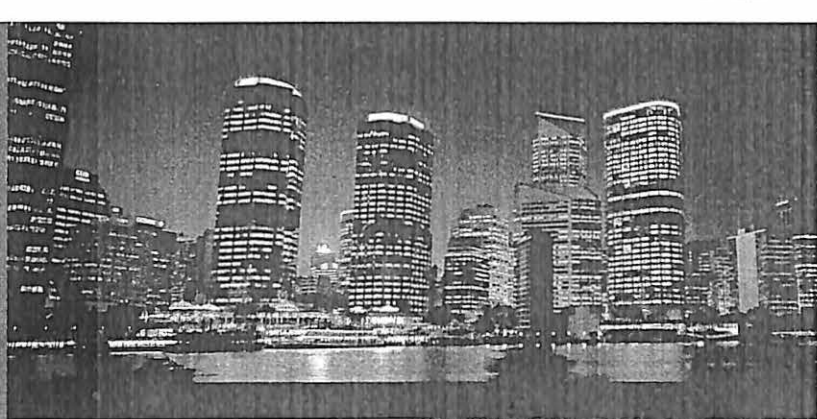
1 Molecular pathology for the anatomic
pathologist

70.00

OPTIONAL LONG COURSES

CONGRESS ACTIVITIES

XXV Congress of the
International Academy of
Pathology



Congress
Handbook

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Social program

Lunches

Lunches will be served Monday to Friday and are included in registration fees for fulltime delegates. Additional lunch tickets are available for \$A35 per person per day.

Sunday 10 October 2004

Wine & cheese evening

Plaza Terrace Room, Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre
1800 – 1930 hours

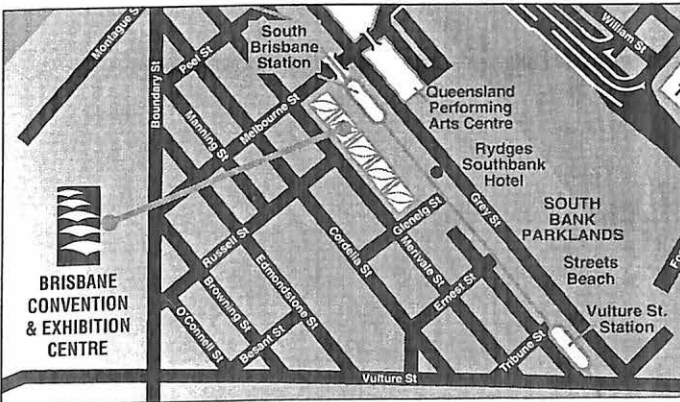
Renew old acquaintances and relax with fellow delegates at the congress venue during the informal wine & cheese function. Includes a selection of Australia's best red, white and sparkling wines with a selection of fine Australian cheeses. Included for fulltime delegates and registered accompanying persons. Additional tickets: \$A60 per person. Dress: smart casual.

Monday 11 October 2004

Welcome reception

Streets Beach, South Bank
1845 – 2030 hours (following official congress opening)

Prepare yourself for an evening of tropical partying just a short stroll from the congress venue! Take in the culture of Brisbane's South Bank as you enjoy an evening by the beachside. Relax with fellow delegates as you enjoy a traditional Australian barbecue on the beach. Included for fulltime delegates and registered accompanying persons. Additional tickets: \$A95. Dress: smart casual clothes appropriate for outdoors; light jacket is recommended. Please see map for location of Streets Beach.



Tuesday 12 October 2004

Restaurant evening

As you unwind after your day's sessions, enjoy a relaxed evening dining in one of Brisbane's many restaurants. The choice will be yours. Alfresco, a-la-carte, sidewalk cafes and first class elegance – Brisbane offers an impressive variety of culinary delights to suit everyone's tastes. A range of restaurants offering discounts and incentives to delegates is listed on page 16.

Wednesday 13 October 2004

Mayne Health happy hour

Mezzanine Foyer, Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre
1745 – 1900 hours

Come and join the international atmosphere of the congress during this networking function! This informal function will provide you with the perfect opportunity to meet colleagues from around the world, whilst many IAP regional divisions and groups will be on hand to provide information to interested guests. Many associated formal and informal meetings will coincide with the happy hour. This is an opportunity to meet with friends, to widen your international network of colleagues or just unwind after a long day of sessions – an opportunity not to be missed! Includes complimentary light refreshments and beverages. Included for fulltime delegates.

Congress dinner

Optional function at an additional expense
Plaza Ballroom, Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre
1930 – 2330 hours

Enjoy the diverse aspects of Australian culture and cuisine at the official congress dinner, being held at the Convention Centre. The congress dinner will be the highlight of the social program and will be an excellent opportunity to network with your colleagues and fellow delegates in a relaxed atmosphere. Includes three course meal, beverages and entertainment. Tickets: \$A100 per person. Dress: lounge suit.

Thursday 14 October 2004

Restaurant evening

A range of restaurants offering discounts and incentives to delegates is listed on page 16, allowing delegates to make their own arrangements.

Cancellation policy

- The congress reserves the right to cancel or vary optional activities if minimum numbers are not reached.
- Regrettably, optional social functions and additional ticket cancellations cannot be refunded if participation is cancelled less than 48 hours prior to the event.

Disclaimer

The International Academy of Pathology, the Australasian Division of the International Academy of Pathology and Event Planners Australia (incorporating Intermedia Convention & Event Management Pty Ltd & ICMSAA) and their agents act only as organisers of these activities and do not accept responsibility for any act or omission on the part of the service providers. No liability is accepted for any inaccuracy, misdescription, delay, damage, personal injury or death.

Accompanying persons program

The following tours have been designed to provide an insight into the Australian landscape and way of life. Accompanying persons are welcome to purchase tickets for the following activities as well as for all congress social functions.

Please note

- ♦ At the time of printing, tour numbers are limited. Check with the staff at the registration office onsite for availability.
- ♦ Other tours to these destinations will be available with Brisbane tour companies during the congress.

All tours will depart from the Glenelg Street bus zone outside the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre.

Sunshine Coast Discovery Tour & Australia Zoo

Monday 11 October 2004

0745 – 1700 hours

OR

Tuesday 12 October 2004

0745 – 1730 hours

After an early start the tour heads north to the Sunshine Coast hinterland for a scenic view of the Glasshouse Mountains from Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve. After morning tea, the tour proceeds to Crocodile Hunter Steve Irwin's Australia Zoo where visitors will have the chance to see some of Australia's most unique wildlife as well as the spectacle of a crocodile feeding demonstration.

After lunch, the Monday tour proceeds to the coast at Alexandra Headland for a scenic view of the coastline en route to Mooloolaba. The Tuesday tour differs slightly by proceeding north to Point Cartwright where, after a short walk (7 minutes), visitors can see the vast sweep of the coastline and sandy beaches before heading to nearby Mooloolaba.

At Mooloolaba all participants will have the opportunity to explore the local aquarium Underwater World or explore the precincts of the Mooloolaba beach front. Please note entry to Underwater World is an additional cost on the day.

The Monday tour will return to the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre around 1700 hours to allow participants ample time to refresh before the welcome reception at 1845 hours that evening. The Tuesday tour will return to the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre around 1730 hours.

Tours include: Return coach transport, morning tea at the Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve, entry to Australia Zoo, lunch voucher at Australia Zoo.

Cost: \$A106 per person. Sorry, no child concession available.

Optional: Entry to Underwater World: \$A20 per adult; \$A10 per child.

Dress: Casual sun protective clothes, comfortable shoes, hat and sunglasses.

Take: Sunscreen, light jacket, swimwear and towel.

Instructions: Participants are to gather at 0735 hours at the Glenelg Street bus zone outside the BCEC.

Wildlife Cruise

Monday 11 October 2004

0930 – 1400 hours

OR

Wednesday 13 October 2004

0930 – 1400 hours

Board the MV *Miramar* for a relaxing river cruise to Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary. Pass by attractive riverside homes and The University of Queensland, and see thousands of flying foxes on Indooroopilly Island – home to the largest flying fox colony in Australia. At Lone Pine visitors can get close to a variety of wildlife which are characteristic of Australia such as kangaroos, koalas and dingoes. Then rejoin the buses for a drive to Mt Coot – tha for a sweeping view of the city of Brisbane.

Includes: Return coach transport, 90 minute river cruise, entry to Lone Pine.

Cost: \$A65 per adult; \$A45 per child.

Optional: Have your photo taken holding a koala: \$A16 per person.

Dress: Casual sun protective clothes, comfortable shoes, hat and sunglasses.

Take: Sunscreen, light jacket.

Instructions: Participants are to gather at 0920 hours at the Glenelg Street bus zone outside the BCEC.



Gold Coast Discovery Tour

Wednesday 13 October 2004

0845 – 1715 hours

Please note: at time of writing there are no further tickets available for sale on this tour; however please check at the registration office in case another participant has cancelled.

OR

Thursday 14 October 2004

0845 – 1715 hours

The Gold Coast is a series of seemingly endless white sandy beaches stretching between rocky headlands, 70km south – east of Brisbane. Over the past 40 years, the Gold Coast has become a holiday playground for Australians and overseas visitors. The tour will take 1 ½ hours to approach the southern end at Greenmount Resort for morning tea. A view from the high cliffs of Point Danger will be followed by a drive north to Burleigh Heads. A leisurely walk around the headland at Burleigh (weather permitting) is planned before lunch at our beachfront lunch venue Oskars on Burleigh. A one hour cruise on the canals at Surfers Paradise and on the Broadwater precedes the return to Brisbane.

- Includes:** Return coach transport, morning tea, lunch accompanied by a glass of wine, local beer or soft drink (pre – lunch / other drinks at additional cost) and afternoon tea onboard canal cruise.
- Cost:** \$A142 per person (note: no child concession applicable).
- Dress:** Casual sun protective clothes, comfortable shoes, hat and sunglasses.
- Take:** Sunscreen, light jacket.
- Instructions:** Participants are to gather at 0835 hours at the Glenelg Street bus zone outside the BCEC.

Cancellation policy

- The congress reserves the right to cancel or vary accompanying persons' activities if minimum numbers are not reached.
- Regrettably, and as advised in the registration brochure, accompanying persons' activities cannot be refunded for participation cancelled on or after 10 September 2004.

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Brisbane restaurant guide

Brisbane boasts a diverse range of cosmopolitan restaurants. Bookings are recommended. Please present your delegate name badge at one of the following restaurants to receive the discounts and incentives listed below:

Restaurant	Description	Special offer
Amicis Italian Restaurant Shop 26B, Little Stanley Street South Bank Parklands, South Bank T: 3844 8806	Italian, casual dining. Fully licensed and BYO wine.	Mention this advertisement in this restaurant guide when paying bill and receive 25% discount (up to the value of \$25 off bill). Valid Sunday 10 October to Friday 15 October 2004.
Chez Laila On the Boardwalk (near the Goodwill Bridge) South Bank Parklands, South Bank T: 3846 3402	Brilliant Lebanese cuisine, café style on the Brisbane River. With fantastic views overlooking the city, Chez Laila has a relaxing atmosphere. Open 7 days from 7.30am til late.	Receive 10% discount off the total bill. Valid Sunday 10 October, Tuesday 12 October and Thursday 14 October 2004.
Circa Restaurant 483 Adelaide Street Brisbane T: 3832 4722	Modern international with a French twist.	Complimentary bottle of Penfolds Private Bin Chardonnay, or Shiraz Cabernet when 2 entrees & 2 mains are ordered. Not to be used in conjunction with any other offer. Offer valid Monday 11 October to Thursday 14 October 2004.
IL Centro Restaurant Eagle Street Pier Brisbane City T: 3221 6090	Modern Italian cuisine located by the river with views of Story Bridge.	Complimentary glass of port or dessert wine with purchase of a main course. Valid Sunday 10 October, Tuesday 12 October & Thursday 14 October.
Kapsali Shop 31A South Bank Parklands, South Bank T: 3846 1803	Greek restaurant, indoor and outdoor dining. Steaks, seafood, salads, pastas and mediteranean dishes. Fully licensed, open for lunch and dinner.	No incentive offered.
Parklands Bar & Grill Level B, Rydges Hotel Cnr Grey & Glenelg Street, South Brisbane T: 3364 0844	Conveniently located at Rydges Hotel, Parklands Bar & Grill offers a delicious a – la – carte menu specialising in premium grade steak and fresh QLD seafood.	10% off food and beverage bill to a maximum of \$25 when dining in Parklands Bar & Grill. Offer valid Tuesday 12 October, Wednesday 13 October and Thursday 14 October 2004.
Pig'N'Whistle 123 Eagle Street Brisbane City T: 3832 9099	Inspired by the tradition of Old Style English Pubs, the Pig'N'Whistle is an ideal destination to eat, drink, relax & socialise.	Happy hour: Monday to Friday 12 – 1pm & 4.30 – 6pm – \$3.90 local pints of beer, house wine & spirits
Plough Inn Stanley Street Plaza South Bank Parklands, South Bank T: 3844 7777	Upmarket pub food.	Receive a free bottle of wine with every two meals purchased. Valid for lunch and dinner from Sunday 10 October to Sunday 17 October 2004.
River Canteen Restaurant On the Boardwalk (near the Goodwill Bridge) South Bank Parklands, South Bank T: 3846 1880	Relaxed fine dining with absolute river frontage views of CBD and Kangaroo Point Cliffs. Modern Australian cuisine with international flavours.	Complimentary glass of the Hamilton Ewell Chardonnay (2003) when you order the Fish of the Day or complimentary glass of the Hamilton Ewell Cabernet Shiraz (2002) when you order the Beef upon presentation of delegate name badge.

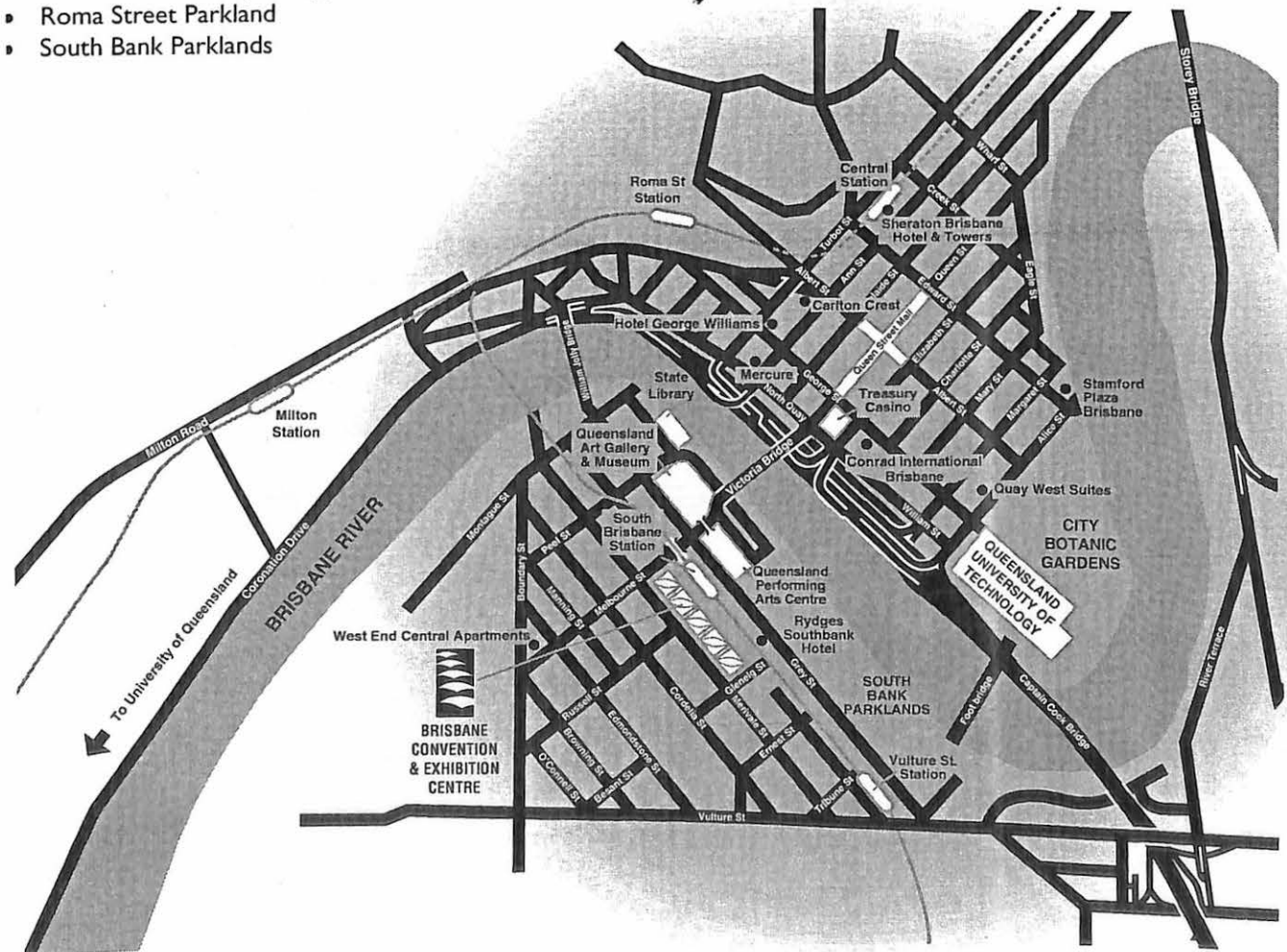
Discover Brisbane

Brisbane is Australia's largest subtropical city, enjoying a climate of vibrant summers and mellow winters that make any time of year a good time to visit. A modern city dotted with parks, Brisbane makes a refreshing change from most major capitals, offering the very best in food, wine, arts, entertainment and major sporting events. October is spring and the spectacular lavender jacaranda trees will be in full bloom, enhancing the beauty of the city.

Brisbane is also the centre of a region rich in world class beach, river, rainforest and mountain experiences. Just one hour's drive from the city, you will discover the lush country hinterland, mountains and forests of south east Queensland and the blue waters and white sandy beaches of the Sunshine Coast and Gold Coast.

Brisbane City Council organised tours (City Sights and City Lights) cover the most attractive aspects of Brisbane but there are numerous other attractions to see. Ask your hotel concierge for details.

- Brisbane Botanic Gardens
- City Hall (King George Square)
- Conrad Treasury Casino
- Museum of Brisbane
- Newstead House
- Queensland Art Gallery
- Queensland Museum
- Riverside markets (Sunday)
- Roma Street Parkland
- South Bank Parklands



Congress information

Congress venue

Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre
Cnr Merivale and Glenelg Streets
South Brisbane QLD 4101
Australia
T: +61 (0)7 3308 3000
F: +61 (0)7 3308 3500

Congress office

Registration will be conducted at the congress office on the Main Foyer Level, Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre. The office will be open at the following times:

Sunday 10 October 2004	1200 – 1930 hours
Monday 11 October 2004	0700 – 1800 hours
Tuesday 12 October 2004	0730 – 1730 hours
Wednesday 13 October 2004	0730 – 1730 hours
Thursday 14 October 2004	0730 – 1730 hours
Friday 15 October 2004	0800 – 1730 hours

Business centre

The Business Centre is located in the Main Foyer Level at the Information Desk and will be operational during congress hours. The Business Centre offers a range of services and consumer items. Use of the Business Centre will be at the delegate's own expense.

Climate

Brisbane is Australia's largest city in the subtropics, enjoying a climate of hot, bright summers and warm, mild winters that make any time of year a good time to visit. Average temperatures in October range from 15 degrees Celsius to 30 degrees Celsius.

Daily bus transfer service

To assist delegates in arriving at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre for the commencement of sessions, a shuttle bus transfer service from the major congress hotels has been arranged. Services will depart promptly at 0730 and 0800 hours from Monday to Friday from the following hotels:

- **Carlton Crest Brisbane** (collection point for guests of the Carlton Crest and the Sheraton Brisbane)
- **Stamford Plaza** stopping via Quay West (+2 minutes) and the Conrad Treasury International (+8 minutes)
- **Mercure Brisbane** (collection point for guests of the Mercure Brisbane, the Ibis Brisbane and Hotel George Williams)

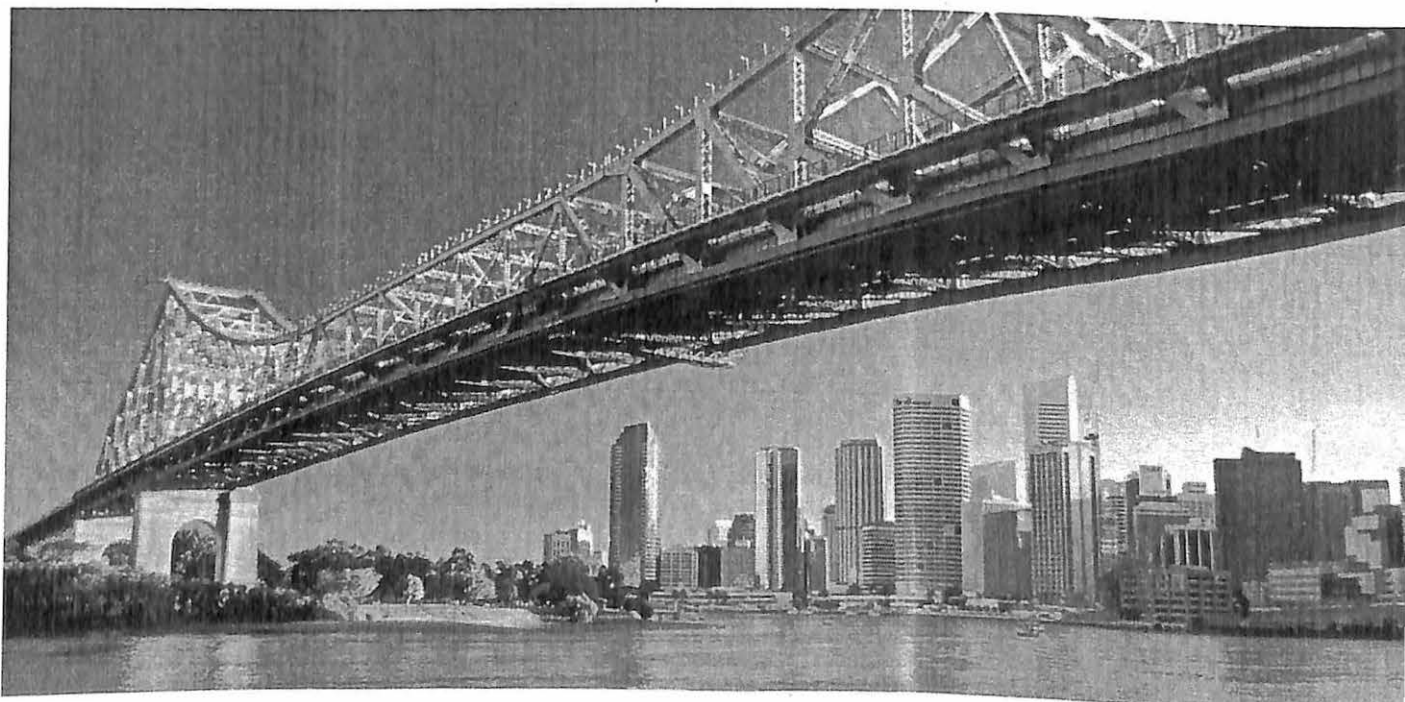
Information regarding exact bus loading areas will be available from the abovementioned hotel concierges. It is recommended that delegates presenting before lunch utilise the earlier shuttle service to allow maximum time to load presentations into session rooms.

Dress

Smart casual attire is appropriate for congress sessions, wine and cheese evening, opening ceremony and welcome reception. A lounge suit is preferable for the optional congress dinner on Wednesday evening. A jacket may be required for air-conditioned session rooms.

Messages

A message board will be located outside the congress office. Please advise potential callers to contact the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre on telephone +61 (0)7 3308 3000 and ask for the XXV Congress of the International Academy of Pathology office. No guarantee can be given to deliver messages personally.



Personal mail

The congress organisers do not accept responsibility for personal mail. Please have mail sent to your accommodation address.

Public telephones

Public telephones are located in the Main Foyer, Mezzanine & Plaza Levels and on the Concourse outside each Exhibition Hall.

Slide seminar materials collection

Delegates who have pre-purchased slide seminar materials will be able to collect the materials (CD Rom and booklet set) from a designated counter near the registration desk. Delegates will receive a voucher upon registering at the congress which can be exchanged for seminar materials at this designated counter.

Note that this does not apply to glass slide seminars: Surgical neuropathology; Lymphoma; Difficult cases in surgical pathology (Arthur Purdy Stout Society); and Arkadi M Rymlin International Pathology Slide Seminar Club. Notes for these seminars will be given to each participant during the session.

Smoking

The Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre has a "No Smoking" policy within all areas of the venue. Cigarette bins are provided outside the Centre for those delegates who wish to smoke.

Venues – delegate accommodation

Carlton Crest

King George Square
Cnr Ann & Roma Streets
Brisbane QLD 4000
T: +61 7 3229 9111
F: +61 7 3222 1110

Hotel George Williams

317 – 325 George Street
Brisbane QLD 4000
T: +61 7 3308 0700
F: +61 7 3308 0733

Mercure Hotel Brisbane

85 – 87 North Quay
Brisbane QLD 4000
T: +61 7 3236 3300
F: +61 7 3236 1035

Rydges South Bank Hotel

9 Glenelg Street
South Brisbane QLD 4101
T: +61 7 3364 0828
F: +61 7 3364 0888

Stamford Plaza

Cnr Edward & Margaret Streets
Brisbane QLD 4000
T: +61 7 3232 0205
F: +61 7 3232 0277

Conrad International

130 William Street
Brisbane QLD 4000
T: +61 7 3306 8853
F: +61 7 3306 8880

Hotel Ibis

27 – 35 Turbot Street
Brisbane QLD 4000
T: +61 7 3237 2315
F: +61 7 3236 3891

Quay West

132 Alice Street
Brisbane QLD 4000
T: +61 7 3853 6000
F: +61 7 3853 6060

Sheraton Brisbane Hotel

249 Turbot Street
Brisbane QLD 4000
T: +61 7 3835 3535
F: +61 7 3835 4960

West End Apartments

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Useful visitor information

Airport/hotel transfers

Transfers by taxi from Brisbane Airport to the city centre take approximately 30 minutes and cost approximately \$A27.

Alternatively, Coachtrans operates a shuttle service between Brisbane airport and the Roma Street Transit Centre. The service runs every 30 minutes from 0500 – 2030 hours daily. The cost is \$A9 one way. The Transit Centre is about 15 minutes walk from Conrad International Brisbane and about 25 minutes from Rydges South Bank. Coachtrans can also arrange airport transfers directly to your city hotel. The cost is \$A11 one way.

An Airtrain rail service also operates from the domestic and international airport terminals into the city. The service runs four times an hour and stops at five key CBD stations, including Central Station and the Transit Centre. The service will take approximately 20 minutes and costs \$A9 one way. For full details, visit Airtrain's website on <http://www.airtrain.com.au> or pick up a pamphlet in the arrivals area at the airport.

Banking

The following banking facilities are located in the South Bank precinct.

Bank of Queensland
88 Boundary Street
West End Qld 4101
Telephone: 07 3844 8750

National Australia Bank
Boundary Street
South Brisbane Qld 4101
Telephone:
07 3844 1323

Commonwealth Banking Corporation
Corner Mollison & Boundary Streets
South Brisbane Qld 4101
Telephone: 07 3844 4505

Westpac Banking Corporation
91 Boundary Street
West End Qld 4101
Telephone:
07 3844 4861

Emergency first aid & medical

Emergency telephone numbers are: Ambulance – 000, Dental – 3830 4157. The nearest Emergency Department is at the Mater Hospital Complex situated two kilometres from the Convention Centre. Public hospital – Corner Stanley Street & Raymond Terrace, telephone 3840 8111; Private hospital – 301 Vulture Street, telephone 3840 1000.

Parking

The Centre has available under-cover parking for 1600 cars. All areas of the Centre are directly accessible from the car park by internal elevators and stairs. The flat rate for parking is \$8.00 per day/per vehicle.

Post office

The nearest post office to the BCEC, Rydges South Bank and West End Central is located at 75 – 77 Russell Street, South Brisbane, ph: 07 3844 6317.

For guests of the CBD hotels, Post Offices are located at Post Office Square, 261 Queen St or level 2 of the Wintergarden Centre in the Queen St Mall.

Public transport

Brisbane has recently introduced an integrated public transport fares system. This means that you can travel by bus, ferry or train using one ticket. Tickets for public transport can be purchased through selected newsagencies and convenience stores, at train stations and from bus drivers and ferry operators.

For information on timetables and journeys using Brisbane's bus, ferry or train network, please contact Transinfo, ph: 13 12 30. Alternatively, you may visit the Queen Street bus station information centre located on the lower level of the Myer Centre, Queen Street Mall.

Taxi information

There is a taxi rank at the main entrance to the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre. Cabs available for hire are frequently available at this rank. To order a taxi you are able to call the following companies:

- Black & White Cabs 13 1008
- Yellow Cabs 13 1924
- Silver Service Taxis 13 3100
- Maxi Taxis (seats up to 11 people) 13 6294

Tourist refund scheme

International travellers can claim back the goods and services tax (GST) and wine equalisation tax (WET) they have paid on goods bought in Australia that they are taking with them when they leave the country. The tax can be claimed back at international airports and seaports under the Tourist Refund Scheme (TRS), subject to conditions such as an AUD 300 minimum purchase from one store. Details on the TRS are available on <http://www.customs.gov.au> under the Customs Tax Reform heading.



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A Network of Individual Pathology Practices

The Sonic Healthcare Group comprises pathology practices in Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom and Germany. Each local practice has operational and clinical autonomy, whilst being supported by exceptional collective resources. Our decentralised structure allows us to tailor our service delivery to the needs of the medical communities we serve.

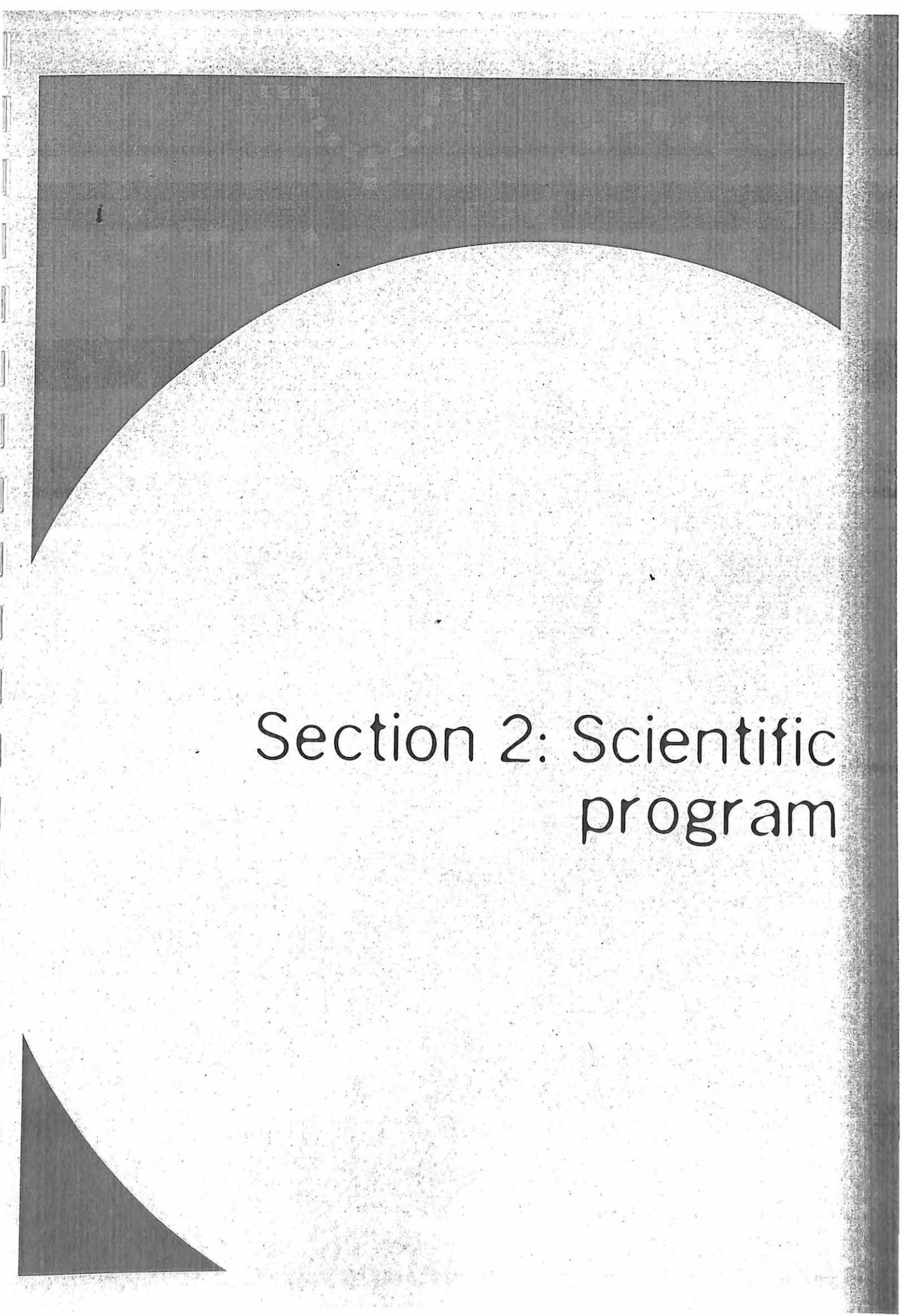
A Doctor-led and Doctor-driven Philosophy

At Sonic Healthcare, we believe that healthcare companies should be medically led, and our doctors play a key role in the structure and management of all our pathology practices. Sonic Healthcare's doctors are integral to the future direction and success of our business, from relationships with referrers, to clinical quality and management, to service delivery.

The Managing Director of Sonic Healthcare is a pathologist, and the Sonic Healthcare Board includes three pathologists and two radiologists, ensuring that any decision made at Board level is medically influenced.

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Section 2: Scientific
program

Program at a glance

An overview of the program by theme can be found on pages 31 – 64

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Session key

SY = symposium
 SC = short course
 LC = long course
 SS = slide seminar
 FPS = free paper session

Session room key

GH1&2 = Great Hall 1&2
 M = Mezzanine level room
 P = Plaza level room
 PTR = Plaza Terrace Room

Sunday 10 October 2004

- 1200 Registration
- 1800 – 1930 Wine and cheese evening *Plaza Terrace Room, Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre*
- 1930 Registration closes

Monday 11 October 2004 *Please refer pages 35 – 39 for full session details for Monday*

0830	Venue: GH1&2 SY – 1 Breast cancer – the pathologist and the role of targeted therapies/optimal pathology reporting I	Venue: M4 SC – 1 Molecular pathology for the anatomic pathologist: common techniques and their applications to everyday problems in anatomic pathology	Venue: M1 SY – 2 Selected topics in neuropathology	Venue: P1 SY – 3 Oral mucosal pathology: diagnosis, pitfalls and practical tips	Venue: P2 SY – 4 Developments in perinatal and paediatric lung pathology	Venue: M3 SS – 1 International Society of Gynaecological Pathologists Companion Meeting (ISGYP)	Venue: PTR SY – 5 <i>Symposium</i> Inflammatory and infectious diseases of the intestines	Venue: P5 SY – 6 History of pathology	Venue: M2 SY – 7 WHO 'blue book' update. Tumours of lung, thymus and heart. Tumours of endocrine organs. Tumours of head and neck	Venue: P3 SC – 4 Testis pathology	Venue: P4 SY – 8 ESP and IAP combined symposium
1000	Morning tea <i>Trade exhibition</i> Poster viewing										
1030	Venue: GH1&2 SY – 1 Breast cancer – the pathologist and the role of targeted therapies/optimal pathology reporting I	Venue: M4 SC – 1 Molecular pathology for the anatomic pathologist: common techniques and their applications to everyday problems in anatomic pathology	Venue: M1 SY – 2 Selected topics in neuropathology	Venue: P1 SY – 3 Oral mucosal pathology: diagnosis, pitfalls and practical tips	Venue: P2 SY – 4 Developments in perinatal and paediatric lung pathology	Venue: M3 SS – 1 International Society of Gynaecological Pathologists Companion Meeting (ISGYP)	Venue: PTR SY – 5 Inflammatory and infectious diseases of the intestines	Venue: P5 SY – 6 History of pathology	Venue: M2 SY – 7 WHO 'blue book': update on newly published editions	Venue: P3 SC – 4 Testis pathology	Venue: P4 SY – 8 ESP and IAP combined symposium
1200	Venue: GH1&2 Keynote address: What pathologists have contributed to understanding the classification, biological behaviour and treatment of breast cancer Vincenzo Eusebi University of Bologna, Italy										

Monday 11 October 2004 (continued)

1300	Lunch Trade exhibition Poster viewing										
	Venue: GHI&2	Venue: M4	Venue: M2	Venue: P3	Venue: P4	Venue: M1	Venue: P2	Venue: P1	Venue: P5	Venue: M3	Venue: PTR
1400	SY - 9 Breast cancer: optimal pathology reporting 2	SY - 10 Environmental lung and pleural disease (Pulmonary Pathology Society)	SY - 11 Selected topics in neuropathology	SS - 2 Oral mucosal pathology: challenging oral mucosal pathology cases	SY - 12 Pathology of blood vessels	SS - 3 Practical issues in pancreaticobiliary pathology	SY - 13 Dendritic cell pathology	SY - 14 The perinatal autopsy and long term outcomes (International Paediatric Pathology Association)	SY - 15 Palaeopathology	SS - 4 Melanocytic skin lesions	SY - 16 Diagnostic challenges in urological pathology (International Society of Urologic Pathology)
1530	Afternoon tea Trade exhibition Poster viewing										
	Venue: GHI&2	Venue: M4	Venue: M2	Venue: P3	Venue: P4	Venue: M1	Venue: P2	Venue: P1	Venue: P5	Venue: M3	Venue: PTR
1600	SY - 9 Breast cancer: optimal pathology reporting 2	SY - 10 Environmental lung and pleural disease (Pulmonary Pathology Society)	SY - 11 Selected topics in neuropathology	SS - 2 Oral mucosal pathology: challenging oral mucosal pathology cases	SY - 12 Pathology of blood vessels	SS - 3 Practical issues in pancreaticobiliary pathology	SY - 13 Dendritic cell pathology	SY - 14 The perinatal autopsy and long term outcomes (International Paediatric Pathology Association)	SY - 15 Palaeopathology	SS - 4 Melanocytic skin lesions	SY - 16 Diagnostic challenges in urological pathology (International Society of Urologic Pathology)
1730	Sessions conclude										
	Venue: GHI&2										
1745	Official congress opening										
1845	Welcome reception commences Streets Beach, South Bank										
2030	Welcome reception concludes										

