

TROG 2024 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING WORKSHOP SUMMARY

CLINICAL RESEARCH EDUCATION WORKSHOP (CREW)

The 2024 Clinical Research Workshop (CREW) provided an opportunity for our members to increase the knowledge base and equip them with the tools to conduct high-quality research and excellent data management, whilst ensuring that the utmost care is provided to patients and consumers.

With over 60 attendees at this year's Under the Sea-themed workshop, presenters highlighted the importance of involving patients in study design, recruitment, and dissemination of results, ultimately aiming to improve the relevance and applicability of research outcomes to real-world clinical practice. The interactive sessions at the CREW enabled the exchange of ideas and thoughts among people from different hospitals across New Zealand and Australia.

We were thrilled to hear the positive feedback from our attendees, including from our attendance grant recipient Divya Arora, who stated, "These sessions influenced us on the value these clinical trials are adding to the patients' lives, which ultimately gives us a sense of satisfaction that our work is making an impact on patients' lives—however small it may be!"

Thank you to our CREW sponsors and attendees for making the day possible.

TECHNICAL RESEARCH WORKSHOP (TRW)

The 2024 Technical Research Workshop (TRW) included a diverse multi-disciplinary audience of radiation oncologists, researchers, radiation therapists and medical physicists. Against the backdrop of an Olympic-themed workshop, the event boasted an array of captivating talks, delving into the power of data and data sharing, the role of automation in research, the implications of hypo-fraction, and touched on the building blocks of research development and good clinical practice.

This year the TRW included a panel discussion with live polling, giving delegates an opportunity to hear from research experts. The TRW also featured a hands-on workshop session, offering the opportunity for attendees to roll up their sleeves and immerse themselves in practical learning experiences aimed at developing a research question and study design.

We have been delighted to receive positive feedback from those who attended the workshop, with comments such as "the workshop session was great fun and a very good way to tie in with the rest of the day" and "it was engaging and allowed us to collaborate".

We extend our gratitude to the TRW sponsor and thank you all for attending!