Summary

Members

- Julia Bowman
- Ros Bye (Maternity Leave June 2002- March 2003)
- Dr Catherine Cook
- Prof. Anne Cusick (On study leave: Outcome data not available at this time)
- Natasha Lannin (Higher Degree Student - PhD)
- Annie McCluskey
- Iona Novak (Higher Degree Student- Masters)
- Cathy Tannous (Maternity Leave Dec 2002- May 2003)
- Lee Zakrzewski

Member Achievements

EXTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS
- Ongoing = 3
- Submissions (Pending) = 3
- Submissions (Unsuccessful) = 5

PUBLICATIONS
- Published = 8
- In Press = 6
- Under Review = 4

STAFF HIGHER DEGREE COMPLETIONS
- PhD = 1
- Masters Research = 1

HONOURS STUDENTS
- Completed (2002 students) = 3
- Current and due for submission Nov 2003 = 5

RESEARCH CONFERENCE PAPERS
- Total Conference Papers = 19
RESEARCH INCOME (External & Internal)

1. EXTERNAL GRANT SUBMISSIONS (Ongoing)

Investigator: Annie McCluskey
Project: “Increasing the use of research evidence by occupational therapists in NSW”
Funded by: Motor Accidents Authority of NSW.
Years: 2001-2003
Total: $54,000

Investigators: McKenna, Bennett.* McCluskey, Strong* & Tooth* (* University of Qld)
Project: “Development of an occupational therapy evidence database: OT SEEker”
Funded by: Motor Accidents Authority of NSW.
Years: 2002-2004
Total: $166,000 (shared between collaborating institutions)

Investigators: McKenna, Bennett.* McCluskey, Strong* & Tooth* (* University of Qld)
Project: “Development of an occupational therapy evidence database: OT SEEker”
Funded by: OT Australia
Total: $27,000 (2002) and $24,000 (2003)

2. EXTERNAL GRANT SUBMISSIONS (Pending)

Natasha Lannin
• Mazda Foundation Research Grant: pending
• BHP Billiton Community Trust Research Grant: pending

Annie McCluskey (with McKenna, Bennett, Tooth, Hoffman, & Strong)
• Motor Accidents Authority of NSW for ‘Expanding and evaluating the OTseeker database’ (for $200,000)

3. EXTERNAL GRANT SUBMISSIONS (Unsuccessful)

Natasha Lannin:
• Faulding Healthcare Research Grant
• South Western Area Health Service Research Foundation Grant Scheme
• The NSW Brain Foundation:
• Perpetual Trust

Annie McCluskey (with McKenna, Bennett, Tooth and Strong)
• CONROD, Queensland

4. INTERNAL GRANT SUBMISSIONS (Successful applications)

Institutional Grant Scheme (School of Exercise & Health Sciences)
Julia Bowman
• $990 for Research Infrastructure – assistance with data analysis using a grounded theory approach, towards masters research degree (Nov 2002)
• $2000 for Research Infrastructure to employ research assistant for literature searching, obtaining hard copies, and data entry into Endnote towards PhD proposal (Oct 2003)

Annie McCluskey
• $1923.60 for Research Infrastructure - Research Assistant hours to conduct literature review and assist with ethics application for new project for hons students x 2 in 2004, and potential externally funded project in 2005.

Catherine Cook
• $2000 for Research Infrastructure to employ research assistant for literature searching for new research project (Oct 2003)
PUBLICATIONS

2003
Catherine Cook:

Lannin/ McCluskey/ Cusick:

Natasha Lannin:
• Lannin NA. (2003). Goal attainment scaling allows program evaluation of a home-based occupational therapy program. Occupational Therapy in Health Care, 17(1), 43-54

Annie McCluskey:

2002
Annie McCluskey:

Cathy Tannous

Lee Zakrzewski:

In Press
Catherine Cook
• Cook C., Burgess Limerick R., Papalia S. The effect of forearm support on posture and muscle activity of the neck and upper extremity during computer keyboard use. Accepted Applied Ergonomics May 2003.
• Cook C., R. Burgess-Limerick R. The effect of wrist rests and forearm support during keyboard and mouse use. Accepted for publication International Journal of Industrial Ergonomics August 2003.

Natasha Lannin
• Lannin NA, Herbert RD. Systematic Review of Hand Splinting with adults following stroke. Clinical Rehabilitation.
• Lannin NA. Reliability, validity and factor structure of the upper limb subscale of the Motor Assessment Scale (UL MAS) in adults following stroke. Disability and Rehabilitation.
Annie McCluskey


**Submitted for Review**

Catherine Cook


Natasha Lannin

- **Lannin NA, & Hennessy, M.** Multidisciplinary screening of cognitive impairment following an acquired brain impairment. Is there repetition?
- **Lannin NA, Clark KA, Scheinberg A.** New South Wales therapy practices for children with cerebral palsy who have received botulinum toxin-A.

Annie McCluskey

- McKenna, K., Bennett, S., Hoffmann, T., **McCluskey, A.,** Strong, J., Tooth, L. OTseeker (Occupational Therapy Systematic Review of Evidence): Enhancing the uptake of evidence by occupational therapists. Submitted to *Australian Occupational Therapy Journal.*

**JOURNAL REVIEWERS**

(1) *Australian Journal of Occupational Therapy*

- Anne Cusick
- Natasha Lannin
- Annie McCluskey
- Lee Zakrzewski

(2) *Clinical Rehabilitation*

- Natasha Lannin

**EDITORIAL COMMITTEE MEMBER**

- Australian Journal of Occupational Therapy (New Department: Critically Appraised Papers) – Annie McCluskey, Natasha Lannin

**2003 HIGHER RESEARCH DEGREE COMPLETIONS (Staff)**

Masters Research: Julia Bowman, Univ of Sydney
PhD: Catherine Cook, Univ of Qld

**MEMBERS ENGAGED IN HIGHER RESEARCH DEGREES 2003**

- Cathy Tannous, masters research (part-time), Univ of Sydney - due for submission late 2003
- Annie McCluskey, PhD (part-time), UWS - due for submission late 2003
- Iona Novak, Masters research (part-time), UWS - due for submission end 2003
- Ros Bye, PhD, (part-time) Univ of Sydney - due for submission 03-early 04
- Lee Zakrzewski, professional doctorate (part-time), Univ of Sydney
- Natasha Lannin, PhD (full-time) UWS.
UNDERGRADUATE HONOURS STUDENTS

2002

Annie McCluskey
• Bianca Bishop: “The reliability of the Adapted Fresno Test: Measuring skills and knowledge in evidence based practice”
• Valerie Cupitt: “Frequency of search and appraisal activities by occupational therapists in the 8 weeks following a workshop on evidence-based practice”

Catherine Cook:
• Jennifer Sims: “Overcoming barriers with workers from culturally and linguistically diverse groups: Case managers’ perspectives”.

2003

Ros Bye:
• Nicole Sharp: “Returning to high school post-adolescent acquired brain injury”
• Jacqui Keys: “Friendship and social networks post-adolescent acquired brain injury”

Catherine Cook/Julia Bowman
• Lisa Downes: "Long-Term Effects of Forearm Support: Intensive Computer Users at Conventional Desks."

Annie McCluskey
• Lauren Thompson: “A typology of occupational therapists engaging in evidence-based practice”
• Sally Home: “The process of becoming an evidence-based occupational therapist: A grounded theory”

NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD

Natasha Lannin
• Awarded the National OT-Australia Postgraduate Research Award, April 2003.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Julia Bowman
• Identifying and measuring core components of occupational therapy intervention in the management of stroke patients. Paper presented at OT Australian National Conference, Melbourne, 7 April 2003
• Doing clinical research: Venturing outside your comfort zone. Workshop presented with Natasha Lannin at OT-Australian National Conference, Melbourne, 9 April 2003

Ros Bye:
• Adolescent acquired brain injury: Tailoring services to meet the challenge of the double transition of adolescence and ABI. NSW Brain Injury Research Forum, Westmead, NSW, 8th Sept 2003

Catherine Cook:

Natasha Lannin
• Constraint Induced Movement Therapy for stroke patients: Interpreting research findings and practicing evidence-based occupational therapy. Poster presented at OT Australia National Conference Melbourne, 7 April 2003
• Planning and undertaking a randomised controlled trial. Paper presented at OT Australia National Conference Melbourne, 8 April 2003
• Understanding statistics for clinical trials. Paper presented at the OT Australia National Conference Melbourne, 8 April 2003
• Doing clinical research: Venturing outside your comfort zone. Workshop presented with Julia Bowman at OT-Australia National Conference, Melbourne, 9 April 2003

Annie McCluskey
• How effective are current treatments aimed at improving movement performance following stroke? Workshop presented at OT-Australia National Conference, Melbourne, 9 April 2003
• Frequency of search and appraisal activities by occupational therapist in the 8 weeks following a workshop on EBP (with V. Cupitt). Paper presented at OT-Australia National Conference, Melbourne, 9 April 2003
• Evidence-based practice: An educational intervention plus outreach support aims to change clinicians’ behaviour. OT Australia NSW State Conference, Brighton Le Sands, Sydney, Sept 2002
• Introducing evidence-based practice and measuring change in clinician behaviour. Paper presented at 13th World Congress of Occupational Therapists, Stockholm, Sweden, June 2002

Lee Zakrzewski:

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RESEARCH EDUCATION

Catherine Cook
• Research Supervisors Training, UWS
• October 2002: Statistical considerations in the design and analysis of clinical trials (workshop). Dr R Herbert, University of Sydney

Julia Bowman
• Endnote 6 modules 1 and 2, UWS Campbelltown, 29 Sept 2003
• Introduction to OT-seeker and other databases of pre-appraised research evidence, OT Australia-NSW, 25 Sept 2003
• Allied Health Outcomes Conference, Melbourne, 8 August 2003

Natasha Lannin:
• Introduction to Qualitative Methods Workshop (Dr Liz Watson). University of Western Sydney. (Sept 2002)
• Interpreting statistics in Clinical Trials (workshop). International Clinical Trials Symposium. (Oct 2002)
• International Clinical Trials Symposium (2 days). Oct 2002
• Statistical considerations in the design and analysis of clinical trials (workshop). Dr R Herbert, University of Sydney (Oct 2002)
• Understanding and applying Rasch Analytical Techniques (2 day workshop). Dr Mike Linacre. (Feb 2003)
• Fundamentals of Multiple Regression analysis (5 days). ACSPRI/University of Queensland. (July 2003)
• Advanced Rasch Analysis- Winsteps (2 day workshop). Dr Mike Linacre. (Aug 2003)

Annie McCluskey:
• Statistical considerations in the design and analysis of clinical trials (workshop). Dr R Herbert, University of Sydney (Oct 2002)

Lee Zakrzewski:
• Structuring qualitative research, 2-day workshop, Univ of Sydney, March 2003
• Hermeneutics and phenomenology, 1-day workshop, Univ of Sydney, May 2003

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