



GROUP NEWSFLASH

APRIL 2009

ANZGOG TO BE INCORPORATED!

The first quarter of 2009 was an extremely busy time for the ANZGOG Operations Team. I am pleased to announce that all our hard work came to fruition at the ANZGOG Annual General Meeting on April 2, 2009 when the ANZGOG members unanimously endorsed the restructure of ANZGOG from an unincorporated Association to a nonprofit company with a Limited Guarantee under the Corporations Act 2001. This is a major achievement for us as an organization! Thus, while we will still value, maintain and further develop the strong collaborative relationship we share with the NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre (CTC), ANZGOG will now have opportunity to determine its own destiny as an independently governed body.

The ANZGOG Clinical Trials team most ably led by Julie Martyn will continue to operate under the direction of the CTC and will be our chief collaborators. Therefore, where our Trials are concerned it will be "business as usual". We hope to continue to develop new trial concepts and protocols, a majority of which will be coordinated thru the NHMRC CTC, University of Sydney. Furthermore, we will maintain our current location within the CTC and endeavor to make this transition to an Incorporated entity as seamless as possible.

ANZGOG is very gratefully to John Simes, Director of the CTC and his team for their unwavering assistance and commitment. We are also extremely appreciative of the ongoing pro bono legal services being provided by Blake Dawson to ANZGOG through out this restructuring process.

ANZGOG anticipates becoming incorporated in the new financial year. Once incorporated, we will continue to work towards our goals and objectives as an organization in the frontier of gynaecological cancer research. To achieve this objective, we look forward to working with you in the future.

Ayanthi Salgado
Operations Manager



Message from Chair

Incorporation has taken us a huge amount of time and effort and no little angst. In the long term it will improve our autonomy and also our financial stability but we still have a busy few months ahead completing all the documentation and legal requirements. Special thanks to Ayanthi and Heshani for ensuring a smooth transition.

Prof Michael A. Quinn

Benefits of Incorporating

- ANZGOG will be administered as an independent charitable organization, thereby increasing our prospects for effective fund raising to support our goals and objectives
- ANZGOG will have the opportunity to venture into collaborative research agreements in its own right, both nationally and internationally
- The ANZGOG Board and members will now be afforded the protections offered under the Corporations Act 2001
- ANZGOG will be able to autonomously determine its own financial destiny

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