### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### Who is this course designed for?

Primarily for doctors requiring detailed and practical information on snakebite, spiderbite, scorpion stings, marine envenoming, poisonous plants & mushrooms and related topics with an international perspective. It is particularly relevant for those working in emergency medicine, toxicology, intensive care, tropical medicine, or in rural practice. Throughout there will be an emphasis on practical clinical issues and development of clinically relevant skills. It will also be of interest to poisons information pharmacists and graduate nurses in emergency medicine. You should be fluent in English, as no language translation will be available.

#### What does the course cover?

The course will cover all major venomous and poisionous animals worldwide, and a selection of the most important poisonous plants and mushrooms/toadstools. Special emphasis will be on snakebites, spider and scorpion bites/stings and marine envenoming and poisonings.

#### Is the course accredited in any way?

The course is a University of Adelaide postgraduate training course within the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences. We are seeking formal accreditation of continuing education points with relevant colleges and possible incorporation within some college specialist training schemes.

#### How many people can attend the course?

The course is capped at 50 registrants to ensure a chance for interactions with faculty. Previous courses filled early, so early registration is advisable.

# Are there any course notes or reading material available prior to the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{course}}\xspace^{2}$

We produce course notes for registrants prior to the course, which will include recommended textbooks and reading list. You are still strongly advised to take notes during all sessions. (The 2017 Course Handbook was over 500 pages.)

#### What sort of practical clinical sessions are included?

The programme includes a number of interactive sessions discussing "Clinical Evolving Problems" (CEPs) to develop registrant's understanding of clinical skills in toxinology and test those skills in a group setting. These are all based on real patients contributed by faculty members, drawn from their own clinical experience.

#### Is there any formal evaluation of my performance on the course?

Yes! Faculty will be evaluating all registrants on their interactions, especially during the clinical evolving problem sessions. There will be a written examination at the end of the course.

#### How do I get to the hospital?

The Women's and Children's Hospital is situated on the northern fringe of Adelaide's city centre, 8.4km from the airport. Buses and taxis are readily available to and from the airport, and across Adelaide. The central train station is a 15 minute walk from the hospital.

#### Is accommodation provided?

No, it is up to the registrant to organise their own accomodation at their own cost. We recommend that participants stay near the Women's & Children's Hospital in North Adelaide, or in the city centre.

#### Is there a course dinner?

Yes, a course dinner will be held one evening during the course. The date, venue and cost to be confirmed. The course dinner is not included in the Course Fees and will cost ~\$100 AUD (final price to be determined).

#### Cancellations

Cancellation must be made at least ten weeks prior to commencement of the course to ensure refund of your deposit. Refunds will NOT be available for non-attendance without adequate notification. If you decide to cancel your enrolment after 1 October, fees will not be refunded. If the course is cancelled your fee will be refunded in full.

#### For more information, visit:

www.toxinology.org/toxdept\_courses\_int1.html

### **HOW TO ENROL**

Complete the enrolment form overleaf and return by email, post or fax. Payment advice will be sent once the form is recieved. The full course fee must be paid by the deadline for course enrolment, 1 October 2019. Late enrolments may not be accepted.

Email enrolment forms to:

tox.members@adelaide.edu.au

Post enrolment forms to:

Assoc. Prof. Julian White, Toxinology Dept.

Women's & Children's Hospital

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### FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES

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## **COURSE INFORMATION**

The Clinical Toxinology Short Course is an intensive course covering all major aspects of venomous and poisonous animals worldwide, with emphasis on clinical effects and treatment strategies. An international faculty of experts in various aspects of toxinology deliver a series of lectures, practicals and clinical case discusions.

**Course dates:** Thursday 12 Dec - Thursday 19 December, 2019. The course will be held over 8 days (7 days of sessions with an interlude midway on the Sunday), and will run from about 8.00/9.00am till 5.30/6.00pm daily.

Course venue: Women's and Children's Hospital, North Adelaide

**Course cost:** \$2500 (incl. GST). Fees include: full course, course notes (including pre-reading material), field trip, morning and afternoon teas and light lunches. It does not include the course dinner or accommodation. Full payment of the course fee is required by 1 October 2019.

For more information, or to enrol online, visit:

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Or, fill in the enrolment form below and send to

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### **ENROLMENT FORM**

Clinical Toxinology Short Course 2019

Last name:	First name:
Preferred title: (Prof, Dr, Mr, Ms	s, Mrs etc)
Qualifications:	
Institution:	
Street:	
City:	State:
Country:	Postcode:
Are you fluent in English? Yes / N	Vo
Telephone:	Mobile:
Email:	
I wish to attend the Clinical Toxinology Short Course 2019.	
Signed:	Date:
Please tick the box below for muc	ch you wish to pay at this time:
Deposit only (\$550, incl. GST)	Full course fee (\$2,500, incl. GST)
To secure your place on the course	you must promptly pay the Full Course

Fee or a Deposit once we receive your must promptly pay the Full Course fee or a Deposit once we receive your enrolment form. You will be sent details of the payment options once your enrolment has been accepted. Full payment is required by 1 October 2019. Preferred payment method is by credit card on-line (VISA, MasterCard, AMEX). Please advise if another payment method is required.

## **PROVISIONAL COURSE OUTLINE**

Details of this program may change, but topics covered will remain largely unchanged.

Registration, Introduction, Overviews of Natural Toxins (venoms/poisons, epidemiology, clinical effects, first aid, treatment) and Antivenoms.
Marine toxinology (jellyfish, stinging fish etc). Course dinner (to be confirmed)
Venomous snakes (regional accounts of species & clinical effects, treatment)
Weekend interlude - time to catch up, relax and see Adelaide
Venomous snakes continued (regional accounts of species & clinical effects, treatment), snake practical. Marine poisoning.
Arthropods; spiders, scorpions, ticks, insects, practical. Poisonous plants.
Botanical Gardens field trip. Poisonous mushrooms. MCQ Exam, safe snake handling practical, course summary and conclusion.
Bus trip to Venom Supplies, Barossa Valley (major wine region) to see wide variety of venomous snakes from around the world. Time permitting, visit a winery. <i>This field trip is optional attendance, but is highly</i> <i>recommended and is included in the Course fees.</i>

Interactive 'Clinical Evolving Problem' (CEP) sessions will be conducted in the main lecture theatre with the entire group and attending faculty. For this course we have shifted teaching emphasis by reducing lecture components and increasing CEP components, incoorporating information exchange into the CEPs. If possible we will make course written material available from our website prior to the course, to allow course registrants to commence learning prior to arrival in Adelaide.

For Australian doctors, all major Australian fauna is covered, with emphasis on Australian clinical issues, particularly in the venomous snake section. While the Australian experience is used as a model for management principles globally, the scope of the course is truly international.

## **COURSE FACULTY**

Faculty for the course are drawn from experts in the field, with an emphasis on clinicians with practical experience treating cases.

Some of the planned faculty for the 2019 course are listed below. Please note this may be subject to change.

- **Prof Julian White** clinical toxinologist, Head of Toxinology, Women's & Children's Hospital, Adelaide, Australia. Course Convenor.
- **Prof Bart Currie** tropical medicine physician, Menzies School of Health Research, Darwin, Australia.
- **Prof David Warrell** clinical toxinologist & tropical medicine physician, Emeritus Professor of Medicine, University of Oxford, UK.
- Prof Dietrich Mebs research toxinologist, Emeritus Professor of Toxicology, University of Frankfurt, Germany.
- Prof Fabio Bucharetchi clinical toxinologist & toxicologist, UNICAMP, Campinas, Brazil.
- **Prof Michael Eddleston** tropical medicine physician & toxicologist, Edinburgh Poisons Centre, UK.
- **Prof Jamie Seymour** marine biologist, James Cook University, Cairns, Australia.
- **Dr Mark Little** emergency physician & toxicologist, Cairns, Australia.
- Dr Phil Aplin emergency physician, Flinders Medical Centre, Adelaide, Australia.
- Dr Trevor Christensen botanist, Botanic Gardens, Adelaide, Australia.
- **Dr Jean-Philippe Chippaux** clinician & toxinologist, ORSTOM, France (based in Benin, Africa).
- Dr Aniruddha (Joy) Ghose clinician & toxinologist, Chittagong, Bangladesh.
- Prof Scott Weinstein clinical toxinologist, Women's & Children's Hospital, Adelaide, Australia.
- Dr Mark Hutchinson Curator of Reptiles, South Australian Museum, Adelaide, Australia.
- **Mr Geoff Newman-Martin** toxicologist, Department of Defence, Canberra, Australia.
- Mr Geoff Coombe herpetologist, Adelaide, Australia.