

The Australian Society for Medical Research

ASMR Medical Research Week® June 2010

MEDIA ALERT Friday June 4

Health and Medical Researchers in Queensland welcome the ASMR Medallist 2010

BARONESS SUSAN GREENFIELD CBE

A world expert in neurodegenerative diseases specializing in Alzheimer's and Parkinson's, Baroness Greenfield is in Brisbane today to speak at the ASMR Medical Research Week® Dinner (Sebel & Citigate Hotel, Brisbane)

Voted Honorary Australian of the Year in 2006, she is ranked as one of the 50 most powerful women by the *Guardian* newspaper, and 14th in the "50 Most Inspirational Women in the World" by *Harpers and Queen*. She is the author of seven books including "The Private Life of the Brain" and "Tomorrow's People: How 21st Century Technology Is Changing the Way we Think and Feel", a Broadcaster, Television Presenter and gifted science communicator!

Baroness Greenfield has said, "Academics talk about 'dumbing down' and think you can't grubby your hands in the real world. [However] it's more intellectually challenging to make salient, complex points sound simple." She believes we need a society where "to talk about science is as natural as talking about football'.

Once described by Tim Radford, Science Editor of The Guardian as being 'like electricity, shocking but also illuminating', Baroness Greenfield will speak this evening on:

"The Future of the Ageing Brain".

The Dinner also features the presentation of the Queensland Government Health and Medical Research Awards. Finalists by category are:

Clinical Researcher

David Copland, UQCCR Maher Gandhi, QIMR Ann Webber, QUT Senior Researcher Category Richard Clark, IMB UQ Rajaraman Eri, MMRI Michelle Hill, Diamantina UQ



Post-Doctoral Researcher Beben Benyamin, QIMR Manuel Ferreira, QIMR Kate Schroder, IMB UQ

Post-graduate Student

Fusun Baumann, UQCCR Kimberley Jones, QIMR Kate Markey, QIMR Michael Smout, QIMR Joakim Swedberg, QUT Michael Tallack, IMB UQ

Interview and photo opportunities

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