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Wednesday June 6, 2007 The Entertainment Centre, Port Road, Hindmarsh ASMR SA Scientific Meeting

PLENARY SPEAKER

A/Professor David Cameron Smith, Deakin University, Melbourne

"Biology meets Lifestyle; Advances in our understanding of how nutrition and exercise impact on ageing"

Muscle is able to grow, in even very old people, through strength and exercise

FROM PLACENTA TO LUNCHBOX: MOTHERS, THE MEDIA AND FAT KIDS

Is Mum to blame? Halla Malik from the School of Health Sciences at the University of Adelaide investigates.

SOLID TUMOURS AND SNAILS OR IS ESCARGOT THE GO?

A group of edible marine snails are utilized as the source of an ancient purple dye secretion. Tyrian purple, forms the basis of a commercially available homeopathic remedy. This study demonstrates the snail extracts contain potent anticancer and antibiotic activity! C M McIver, School of Biological Sciences, Flinders University

South Australia's Prestigious Ross Wishart Memorial Award Finalists:

Requirements for an egg to become a baby. What is the necessary support network for the growing egg? This research will help to determine what the egg requires to produce a healthy baby and may provide new opportunities for treatment of infertility. *Hannah Brown* The Research Centre for Reproductive Health and The University of Adelaide

Does stress effect baby development? This research aims to better understand how the environment that the preimplantation embryo is exposed to can alter how a baby develops. **Deirdre Zander** The Research Centre for Reproductive Health and The University of Adelaide

Is there a link between red meat and cancer? High red meat intake has been weakly associated with an increased risk of colorectal cancer. This study determines the effect on colorectal cancer risk of overall dietary and lifestyle patterns. *Bianca Benassi CSIRO Human Nutrition and The University of Adelaide*

Female infertility: causes and cures. Egg maturation and early embryonic development are affected by high-fat diet and report blood lipids and insulin sensitivity are powerful indicators of fertility. Pharmacological trials aiming to reverse these defects reveal short-term pre-ovulatory treatment with anti-diabetic Rosiglitazone (Avandia, GlaxoSmithKline) can completely reverse such obesity-associated infertility. *Candence Minge The Research Centre for Reproductive Health and The University of Adelaide*

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