



This year is the 25th anniversary of QMB, the Queenstown Molecular Biology meeting. In celebration, registration is free for those who have registered for a satellite meeting. Our programme is packed with international speakers, and sessions covering the full spectrum of molecular biology – how we get from gene to function. There will be something for everybody.

New this year are ‘meet-the-experts breakfast sessions’ where students and post-docs can meet informally with the keynote speakers. Space in these small groups will be strictly limited, so make sure you book in advance – more details to follow.

A particular focus of the 25th meeting will be to strengthen the connections within the molecular biology community in New Zealand. To do this, we are bringing back the poster session as a forum for research discussion, in a stand-alone event separate from the evening social activities. Poster presenters will highlight their work in ‘lightning talks’ prior to the poster session. Also new this year, we are trialing electronic posters – where you can choose to bring your “poster” on a laptop or tablet. Of course you are also welcome to bring a traditional poster, and there will be prizes for the best traditional and electronic posters.

We are excited by the opportunity to increase the profile of the poster session as a forum for discussion, and the trial electronic format should reduce the preparation and cost barriers for research groups – everybody can bring one! Submit your abstracts now through the link on the registration page:

<http://www.qmb.org.nz/registration>

Abstract submission closes 10th July.