

The Advisory Committee of the ERC recommends Judith Finn as an Honorary Member of the European Resuscitation Council.

#### Early career

Professor Finn is recognized as a national and international leader in Resuscitation Science. She originally trained in Nursing in Woodville, South Australia rising to the grade of Clinical Nurse Consultant in High Dependency Care. Alongside her exemplary clinical practice Finn entered nursing education in the late 1980's to support and train the next generation of nurses.



Her passion and expertise in clinical epidemiology and cardiac arrest was ignited in the late 1990's when she embarked on a PhD to establish prognostic determinants of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest in Perth, Western Australia: Identification of Strategies to Improve Outcomes.

Since then Finn has been able to bring together her clinical experience and research expertise to successfully conduct both experimental and observational clinical research. She has demonstrated ability in bringing together multi-disciplinary (and inter-disciplinary) teams, to address important clinical questions through both clinical trials and drawing on the unique research potential of the Western Australia linked health data. Since completing her PhD in 2002, Finn has been successful in attracting over \$5 million in competitive national and international research funds (NH&MRC, NHFA, Laerdal Foundation, BUPA Foundation, National Institute for Health Research (UK)) largely in the area of cardiac arrest. She conceived and built the Australian Resuscitation Consortium (Aus-ROC) in 2012 with support from the NH&MRC Centre for Research Excellence (\$2.5 million) pulling together leaders in resuscitation science from Australia, New Zealand, Europe and USA.

An advocate and supporter of ERC goals and programmes for 3 decades

Finn's first interaction with the ERC occurred at the 2nd CPR congress of the ERC held in Mainz, Germany where she presented "An Australian survey of emergency cardiac skills within the Community: symptom recognition, priorities of management and perceived competence in cardiopulmonary resuscitation." This was followed by further presentations in Brighton in 1997 where she presented a poster presentation on "The role of nurses in defibrillation in Australia".

Since those initial meetings the relationship between Finn and ERC has grown from strength to strength with Judith returning as an invited speaker to ERC meetings in 2000, 2002, 2006, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015. In addition to delivering her own presentations Finn has excelled in supporting her trainees and junior researchers to attend and present their research to the ERC family. Finn, her husband Jacobs and co-workers were honoured through the award of the Best of the Best Abstracts at the ERC Conference in Porto (2010) for the Placebo or Adrenaline in Cardiac Arrest (PACA) trial.

Finn is one of the most active reviewers for our Society's journal "Resuscitation" having completed over 60 reviews in the last 5 years. Her opinion is highly valued by the editors and by those who's work she reviews.

Nationally and internationally recognised expertise

Finn's internationally recognised expertise in resuscitation research is reflected in her long-standing involvement with the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR). She was funded by the American Heart Association (AHA) in her appointment as Co-Chair of the Interdisciplinary Task Force (2002-2005) - one of four task forces that coordinated an international review of the research evidence underpinning resuscitation practice, published in both *Circulation* and *Resuscitation* in 2005. She was an invited member of the AHA/ILCOR 'Education, Implementation and Teams' Taskforce for the 2010 Consensus on CPR and ECC Science and co-author of the new International Resuscitation Consensus on Science Statements published in *Circulation* and *Resuscitation* in November 2010. Most recently, Finn has been the Co-Chair of the AHA/ILCOR 'Education, Implementation and Teams' Taskforce for the 2015 resuscitation science international review process.

Finn's international profile is further highlighted by her admission in 2012 as a Fellow of the American Heart Association (FAHA). Furthermore, she is regularly invited to be a speaker at International Resuscitation Conferences. As detailed further in her CV, these have included the European Resuscitation Council; the Resuscitation Council of Southern Africa, the Resuscitation Council of New Zealand— as well as the Australian Resuscitation Council.

Developing and supporting the next generation of resuscitation scientists

Finn's commitment to developing the next generation of researchers is outstanding. Over the last 10 years Finn has supervised 20 Research students (7 PhD, 13 Masters) to completion and is currently supervising 9 PhD students. Viewed by many as a role model for supporting high quality cardiac arrest research, it is little surprise that Finn was invited as one of three Keynote Speakers at a meeting hosted by the University of Toronto entitled "Resuscitation in Motion", which is promoted as "a meeting of minds in pursuit of cutting-edge science, collaborative networks and unusual scientific partnerships".

<http://resusinmotion.ca/>

Outstanding publication record

Finn's cv speaks volumes for the breadth and quality of her work. She has no less than 120 peer reviewed publications (many in leading journals), 11 editorials and 20 published reports/book chapters. The list of presentations extends to well over 200 oral or poster presentations either as a primary presenter or supporting others to present their work.

Laudatio by Professor Gavin Perkins FERC

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