DYNOPTA news archive

DYNOPTA dataset v2 errors identified 20th of November 2009

A number of errors to the DYNOPTA dataset Version 2, have been reported since the release in August, 2009. Fixes are provided in those instances where errors have been found.

DYNOPTA retreat 22nd of October 2009

Presentations from the DYNOPTA retreat held in August are now available.

DYNOPTA dataset V.2 has now been released 14th of September 2009

Data CDs have been made with one copy provided for all institutions. For those investigators who have not yet received a copy, please contact dynopta@anu.edu.au to ensure a copy has been sent to your institution.

PRIZE 20th July 2009

Congratulations to Dr Allison Bielak who has been awared the American Psychological Association Division 20 Retirement Research Foundation Dissertation Award in the Psychology of Aging.

Her dissertation was:
PhD - Lifespan Developmental Psychology (July, 2008) University of Victoria.
Dissertation: The Relationship Between Short-Term Intraindividual Variability and Longitudinal Intraindividual Cognitive Change in Older Adulthood: Covariation and Prediction of Change.

February 2009

NEW student
Chwee von Sanden
Chwee has begun her PhD under the supervision of Professor Kaarin Anstey. Chwee is investigating the impact of health on retirement and retirement on health within four areas of heath – sensory ability, mental health, cognitive function and physical function. The major focus of her research is on the examination of cognitive decline as a predictor and consequence of retirement

ASPR conference 2008
In December 2008 three DYNOPTA staff presented at the Australasian Society Psychiatry Research conference held in Newcastle.
Dr Lesley Ross-Meadows presented a paper titled 'Harmonising data across nine studies: An example of depression from the DYNOPTA study'. Kim Kiely presented a poster titled 'Australian Estimates of possible dementia and cognitive impairment: The DYNOPTA study', and Lauren Bartsch presented a poster titled 'DYNOPTA- Dynamic Analyses to Optimise Ageing'.