

Biomed hosts QUT site visit



Above: Welch Allyn rep, Sharon Bennet demonstrates a spot monitor to Jerome, 4th year QUT student.

The Biomedical Engineering Department is not often the centre of attention at Greenslopes Private Hospital, however, on Friday 6 October, this was the case.

Thirty first year Medical Engineering students from QUT were onsite to get a first hand introduction to a clinical environment and the equipment used within it.

One of the specialist streams on offer to students in their degree is Clinical Engineering in a hospital environment. The visit provided an insight into the role of the Biomedical Engineering (BME) Department at Greenslopes Private Hospital in managing the repair, routine maintenance and safety testing and advises on the purchasing of medical equipment used throughout the hospital.

Bellow: Group shot during QUT site visit.

Bottom: QUT 4th year Medical Engineering Students, AC Kushnir and Taewon Kong, who are undertaking compulsory Industrial experience with GPH Biomedical engineering department give a presentation on their experiences with the hospital.



A range of activities were offered during the day including:

- the group visited key areas of the hospital including the operating theatres and cardiac cath labs
- enjoyed sessions with some of the hospital's key equipment providers to demonstrate their devices. Thanks must go to representatives from Stryker, Welch Allyn, Medtronic, Baxter Healthcare, Huntleigh Healthcare, Philips and Terumo.
- Bob and Dean conducted hands on workshops to look at how equipment works – take apart a syringe pump to see what's inside; a selection of surgical instrumentation on show.

Congratulations to the entire Biomedical Engineering team and in particular Kelly Stallman who was instrumental in putting the day together.

Prize winning presentation

As well as organising the QUT site visit day, Kelly Stallman from Biomedical Engineering recently represented the hospital and gave a prize winning presentation at the clinical engineering development workshop associated with the Australian Biomedical Engineering Conference held in Noosa in September. The paper was titled, "Critical Event Response" and Kelly competed against other young clinical engineers from around Australia for the \$500 prize. Congratulations Kelly on your achievements!

