

NSANZ 2025 PROGRAM

FRIDAY 8 AUGUST 2025

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	PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS
	ICC Sydney
8:30 – 12:00	Under Fluoroscopy Radiation Safety Course with certification. Presented by: Dr Jennifer Diffey PhD, Chief Physicist and Radiation Safety Officer, Hunter New England LHD. Sponsored by: Saluda 
13:30 – 17:00	AHNNSIG Workshop. Allied Health and Nursing Workshop: Muscles, muscle dysfunction and getting them back on track Sponsored by: Mainstay 
	Macquarie University Skills Lab
9:00 – 17:00	Cadaver Workshop.    
17:00 – 19:00	NSANZ 2025 WELCOME RECEPTION. ICC Sydney Join the NSANZ Board and Sponsors for networking and a first look at the exhibition hall.

SATURDAY 9TH AUGUST 2025

7:15 – 8:00	NEURO SPONSORED BREAKFAST SESSION <i>with breakfast from 7:00</i> Personalised Pain Management: Harnessing AI with HFX AdaptivAI™ Speakers: Sejal Patel, Dr. Ganesan Baranidharan, AUS Physician Panel 
8:15 – 10:30	PLENARY SESSION 1
8:15 – 8:30	Official Opening: including Welcome to Country & Leadership Message Dr Michelle O'Brien, Dr Romil Jain, Dr Alan Nazha, ASM Committee Co-Convenors
8:30 – 8:55	Dr Kasra Amirdelfan Spinal Cord Stimulation Today: Evolving Evidence and Emerging Technologies
8:55 – 9:20	Dr Ganesan Baranidharan National Neuromodulation Registry - Outcomes from the UK since 2018
9:20 – 9:45	Dr Jonathan Carlson Updates on Paraesthesia Free Stimulation
9:45 – 10:10	Dr Ben Jonker Predictors of Outcome in MRgFUS Thalamotomy for Tremor
10:10 – 10:30	Q&A Session
10:30 – 11:00	MORNING BREAK

SATURDAY 9TH AUGUST 2025 continued

11:00 – 12:30			CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1A AND 1B	
			BREAKOUT 1A: NEUROSURGERY	BREAKOUT 1B: PAIN NEUROMODULATION
11:00 – 11:20	Dr Ben Jonker Technical Advances in Deep Brain Stimulation for Movement Disorders			Dr Nick Christelis Solving the Riddle of Pocket Pain
11:20 – 11:40	Prof Antonio Di Ieva Tips and Tricks to Deploy the Perfect Paddle Electrode			A/Prof Tilman Boesel Intrathecal Therapy – Where do we stand?
11:40 – 12:00	Dr Phoebe Matthews Motor Cortex Stimulation for Facial Pain Syndromes			Dr Dan Bates Neuropathic Foot Pain – What are the Options?
12:00 – 12:20	Dr Renata Bazina: Cut or Stimulate? Fusion or Stimulation?			Dr Romil Jain Role of Neuromodulation in Intractable Headache
12:20 – 12:30	Panel Discussion			Panel Discussion
12:30 – 13.30			LUNCH BREAK	
13:30 – 15:00			CONCURRENT SESSIONS 2A AND 2B	
			BREAKOUT 2A: NEUROMODULATION IN VISCERAL CONDITIONS	BREAKOUT 2B: PAIN NEUROMODULATION
13:30 – 13:50	Dr Danielle Delaney Beyond Pain: The Expanding Role of Neuromodulation in Urology			A/Prof Andrew Zacest To Trial or Not to Trial: Rethinking Spinal Cord Stimulation Pathways
13:50 – 14:10	Dr Assad Zahid Sacral Neuromodulation in Colorectal Surgery			A/Prof Marc Russo Mechanisms of action of pulsed radiofrequency
14:10 – 14:30	Dr Jason Chow Neuromodulation for Endometriosis-Associated Pain			Dr Rebecca Martin Past the Implant Stage - Managing Complications of intrathecal therapy
14:30 – 14:50	Dr Ted Cassidy Next Step Treatments for Depression, Anxiety and PTSD			Dr Charles Brooker Reorienting Your Practice for Outcome Data Collection
14:50 – 15:00	Q&A			Q&A
15:00 – 15:30			AFTERNOON BREAK	
15:30 – 17:00			PLENARY SESSION 2	
15:30 – 15:50	Dr Kasra Amirdelfan Reaching Beyond the Clinic: Remote Monitoring and Programming in Pain Medicine			
15:50 – 16:10	Dr Ganesan Baranidharan Neuromodulation for Visceral pain - 25 years experience from a single centre			
16:10 – 16:30	Roundtable Discussion What Needs to Change in Neuromodulation? Panel: Dr Kasra Amirdelfan, Dr Ganesan Baranidharan, Dr Jonathan Carlson & Dr Marc Russ Chair: Dr Alan Nazha			
16:30 – 16:35	Day Wrap-Up by ASM Convenor			
16:35 – 17:15			NSANZ ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	
19:00 – 23:00			CONFERENCE DINNER - Kingsleys Steakhouse	

SUNDAY 10 AUGUST 2025

7:15 – 8:00	SALUDA SPONSORED BREAKFAST SESSION <i>with breakfast from 7:00.</i> Real World Analysis of Biomarker-Based Dose Response with the Evoke® SCS System Panel: A/Prof Marc Russo, Dr Martyna Berwertz, Dr Richard Sullivan		
8:30 – 10:30	CONCURRENT SESSION 3A	9:00 – 10:30	
8:30 – 8:55	Dr Adrian Nowitzke Update on neuromodulation for chronic low back pain and lumbar multifidus dysfunction - trials and real-world data	9:00 – 9:20	Ms Rebekah Richards & Ms Rachel Whipp Introduction & President Update
8:55 – 9:20	Dr Ganesan Baranidharan How on Earth Do I Choose My Waveform?	9:20 – 9:40	Ms Megan Hannah Nursing in Neuromodulation (SCS) Education Handbook
9:20 – 9:45	Dr Kasra Amirdelfan Neuromodulation Governance in Action: Insights from the Neurostimulation Appropriateness Consensus Committee (NACC)	9:40 – 10:00	Ms Justine Walker Complex Regional Pain Syndrome - Best practice guidelines and the evidence-based physiotherapy treatments
9:45 – 10:10	Dr Jonathan Carlson Peripheral Nerve Stimulation: Is It Finally Ready for Prime Time?	10:00 – 10:20	A/Prof Carl Schneider Clinical and geriatric prescribing and de-prescribing opioids
10:10 – 10:30	Q&A	10:20 – 10:30	Q&A
10:30 – 11:00	MORNING BREAK		
11:00 – 12:30	CONCURRENT SESSION 4A	11:00 – 12:30	AHNNSIG CONCURRENT SESSION 4B
11:00 – 11:20	Dr Murray Taverner 3D Printing – Will It Revolutionise Surgical Planning?	10:40 – 11:00	Mr Mark Roe How are dry labs revolutionizing education and training in the healthcare industry
11:20 – 11:40	Dr Meena Mittal How to be the Best Mentee and Mentor	11:00 – 11:20	Adj Assoc Prof Greg Fairbrother Building Research Capacity & Research Visibility
11:40 – 12:00	Dr Alan Nazha Precision Implanting: Ultrasound in Neuromodulation Procedures	11:20 – 11:40	Ms Amy Granger Managing Intrathecal Pumps - The Role of the Nurse
12:00 – 12:20	Dr Megan Hannah & Dr Jane Standen Are You Empowering Your Neuromodulation – Nursing Division	11:40 – 12:00	Panel Discussion with all speakers
		12:00 – 12:20	Combine with Session 4A
12:20 – 12:25	Q&A		
12:25 – 12:30	Rebekah Richards Session close and thanks, AHNNSIG Scientific Chair		
		12:30	AHNNSIG AGM

12:30 – 13:30	LUNCH BREAK
13:30 – 16:00	PLENARY SESSION 3
13:30 – 14:00	Best Poster Awards
14:00 – 14:25	A/Prof Marc Russo Current Evidence on Cost-Effectiveness of Neuromodulation
14:25 – 14:50	Dr Nathan Taylor Can We Establish Indications for Superiority of Dorsal Root Ganglion Stimulation?
14:50 – 15:15	Dr Michael Veltman Knowledge Retention in An Information Overload Age
15:15	NSANZ 2026 INVITATION & CONFERENCE CLOSE