

SUNDAY 13 APRIL: PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS			
8.30am - 12.30pm Morning Pre-Conference Workshops			
1.30pm - 5.00pm Afternoon Pre-Conference Workshops			
8.00 - 8.30am Arrival Tea & Coffee			
Psychology in Pain Management <i>Lake 1+2</i>	Pain in Childhood <i>Lake 3+4</i>	Fundamentals of Pain <i>Park</i>	Acute Pain AM <i>Element</i>
10.30 - 11.00am Morning Tea <i>State</i>			
Psychology in Pain Management <i>Lake 1+2</i>	Pain in Childhood <i>Lake 3+4</i>	Fundamentals of Pain <i>Park</i>	Acute Pain AM <i>Element</i>
12.30 - 1.30pm Lunch <i>State</i>			
Physiotherapy in Pain Management <i>Lake 1+2</i>	Pharmacology in Pain Management <i>Lake 3+4</i>	Basic Pain Research <i>Park</i>	Acute Pain PM <i>Element</i>
3.00 - 3.30pm Afternoon Tea <i>State</i>			
Physiotherapy in Pain Management <i>Lake 1+2</i>	Pharmacology in Pain Management <i>Lake 3+4</i>	Basic Pain Research <i>Park</i>	Acute Pain PM <i>Element</i>
5.05 - 6.00pm Discipline Sub Group Meetings • Medical <i>Element</i> • Nursing <i>Park</i> • Occupational Therapy <i>Albert</i> • Pharmacology & Pharmacy <i>Lake 3+4</i> • Psychology <i>State</i> • Physiotherapy & Exercise Physiology <i>Lake 1+2</i>			
6.00 - 7.30pm	Welcome Reception <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>		
7.45 - 10.00pm	Pain in Childhood & Basic Pain Research SIG Dinner <i>The Windsor Alehouse, 42 Punt Rd</i> Guests to make own way, 10 minute walk.		

MONDAY 14 APRIL: DAY 1	
7.00 - 8.00am	ASTEROID Run Club <i>Meet in Pullman Lobby.</i> No registration required, all welcome.
8.00 - 8.30am	Arrival Tea & Coffee <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
8.30 - 9.10am	OFFICIAL OPENING <i>Grand 1 - 4</i>
8.30 - 8.40am	Welcome to Country
8.40 - 8.50am	APS Presidential Address, Ms Bernadette Smith
8.50 - 9.10am	IASP Presidential Address: Professor Andrew Rice
9.10 - 10.15am	PLENARY 1
9.10 - 9.40am	IASP GLOBAL YEAR LECTURE: Dr Tie Parma Yamato & Dr Saurab Sharma Advancing pain management in low-resource settings: Insights from global pain research
9.40 - 10.10am	PROFESSOR TAMAR PINCUS Pain-related distress-concepts and approaches to living better with pain
10.10 - 10.30am	Q&A
10.30 - 11.00am	Morning Tea <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
11.00 - 12.30pm	TOPICAL CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1
1A:	The Dark Side of Expectation: Exploring Nocebo Effects in Pain and its Management <i>Grand 1+2</i>
1B:	The IASP Global Year through an Australian Lens: Research and Action to Address Pain Inequities <i>Park</i>
1C:	Storytelling makes sense, literally: A practical application for pain <i>Element</i>
1D:	Advancing Children's Pain Research through Innovative Methodologies <i>Lake 1+2</i>
1E:	Avoiding the Edge Before It Is Too Late: How to Detect When Pain Signals Injury in Athletes <i>Lake 3+4</i>
1F:	Early interventions following injury to improve outcomes <i>Grand 3+4</i>
12.30 - 2.00pm	Lunch <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
1.15 - 2.00pm	Poster Walk Around Session <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i> Odd poster number authors are asked to stand by their poster
2.00 - 3.30pm	TOPICAL CONCURRENT SESSIONS 2
2A:	Phenotyping pain characteristics: Back translation for patient heterogeneity <i>Park</i>
2B:	Rural Realities vs Urban Ideals: Breaking the Metro Mould of Pain Management in Rural Australia <i>Lake 3+4</i>
2C:	The Journey is More Important than the Destination: Engaging an Integrative Approach to Explore the Relationship Between Early Life Trauma and Chronic Pain <i>Grand 3+4</i>
2D:	Gabapentinoids for chronic pain - Game changer or looming crisis? <i>Grand 1+2</i>
2E:	Horses for courses: Is surgery necessary for some people with back pain? <i>Lake 1+2</i>
2F:	Is less more? Optimising duration and content of group pain management programs <i>Element</i>
3.30 - 4.00pm	Afternoon Tea <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
4.00 - 5.15pm	PLENARY 2 <i>Grand 1 - 4</i>
4.00 - 4.15pm	APS Board Appreciations
4.15 - 4.25pm	RAPID COMMUNICATION SESSION
4.25 - 5.15pm	Psychedelics in Pain Panel: Potential and Pitfalls
5.30 - 6.30pm	Meet the Minds: Q&A and Networking Session <i>Park</i>
From 5.30pm	Casual Social Activity <i>The Windsor Alehouse, 42 Punt Rd</i> Enjoy a complimentary drink with fellow delegates. Don't forget the voucher from your registration envelope.

Conference Program is correct at time of printing, details are subject to change.
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TUESDAY 15 APRIL: DAY 2	
7.00 - 8.00am	ASTEROID Run Club <i>Meet in Pullman Lobby.</i> No registration required, all welcome.
8.00 - 8.30am	Arrival Tea & Coffee <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
8.30 - 10.15am	PLENARY 3 <i>Grand 1 - 4</i>
8.30 - 9.00am	SUNDERLAND LECTURE: Professor David Bennett Applying an inter-disciplinary approach to better understand and ultimately treat neuropathic pain
9.00 - 9.10am	RAPID COMMUNICATION SESSION
9.10 - 9.40am	TESS CRAMOND LECTURE: Dr Ebonie Rio Have you ever really thought, “How cool are my tendons?”
9.40 - 10.00am	Q&A
10.00 - 10.15am	APS Distinguished Member Award
10.15 - 10.45am	Morning Tea <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
10.45 - 12.15pm	TOPICAL CONCURRENT SESSIONS 3
3A:	Post-amputation pain: 100 years of progress <i>Grand 1+2</i>
3B:	Propa pain services by and for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, for access that is sooner, closer, cheaper and culturally safe <i>Lake 3+4</i>
3C:	Experimental promise and pitfalls: Lessons and opportunities for using virtual reality in clinical pain research <i>Lake 1+2</i>
3D:	Targeting misconceptions and inequities in the public messaging of pain <i>Element</i>
3E:	Enabling precision management for chronic migraine by identifying brain biomarkers and clinical profiles (bio-signatures) of responders to treatments <i>Park</i>
3F:	Person-centred care - What does it really look like? <i>Grand 3+4</i>
12.15 - 1.45pm	Lunch <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
1.00 - 1.45pm	Poster Walk Around Session <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i> Even poster number authors are asked to stand by their poster
1.45 - 3.00pm	FREE PAPER SESSION
FP1: Integrative Approaches to Pain Management <i>Element</i>	
FP2: Neurobiological Insights into Pain Mechanisms <i>Grand 3+4</i>	
FP3: Innovations in Pain Management: From Molecular Mechanisms to Clinical Applications <i>Park</i>	
FP4: Empowering Patients: Innovative Approaches to Chronic Low Back Pain Management <i>Grand 1+2</i>	
FP5: Addressing Safety, Risks, and Therapeutic Advances in Pain Management <i>Lake 1+2</i>	
FP6: Advancing Pain Management and Rehabilitation <i>Lake 3+4</i>	
3.00 - 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
3.30 - 5.00pm	PLENARY 4 <i>Grand 1 - 4</i>
3.30 - 4.05pm	Professor Jason Ivanusic Osteoarthritis pain: Exploring roles for nerves in bone around osteoarthritic joints
4.05 - 4.15pm	RAPID COMMUNICATION SESSION
4.15 - 4.45pm	Professor James Elliott The MuscleMap behind building out of this world multidisciplinary collaborations
4.45 - 5.00pm	Q&A
7.00 - 11.00pm	Conference Gala Dinner <i>Carousel, 22 Aughtie Dr, Albert Park Lake.</i> <i>Coaches departs Pullman Valet at 6.45pm. Parking also available.</i>

WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL: DAY 3	
8.30 - 9.00am	Arrival Tea & Coffee <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
9.00 - 10.30am	PLENARY 5 <i>Grand 1 - 4</i>
9.00 - 9.30am	BONICA LECTURE: Professor Anne Burke Pain management advocacy: The shadow realm between research and practice
9.30 - 10.00am	Professor Tamar Pincus Validation- emerging evidence on inter-personal mechanisms
10.00 - 10.10am	Cops for Kids Clinical Research Grant: Dr Nicole Pope
10.10 - 10.20am	Virtual Reality in Paediatric Chronic Pain Rehabilitation: A Multi-site Pilot Feasibility Study
10.20 - 10.30am	Q&A
10.30 - 11.00am	One Thing: A ‘One Thing’ Response to never-before-seen special guest clips
10.30 - 11.00am	Morning Tea <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
11.00 - 12.30pm	PLENARY 6 <i>Grand 1 - 4</i>
11.00 - 11.30am	Adjunct. Professor Ian Oliver Digitising pain science education for cancer survivors allows export to LMICs by telemedicine
11.30 - 11.50am	RISING STAR AWARD WINNER: Dr Caitlin Jones Re-examining the role of opioids for musculoskeletal pain
11.50 - 12.20pm	Professor David Bennett Voltage-gated sodium channels and pain: From human genetics to new therapeutic
12.20 - 12.30pm	Q&A
12.30 - 1.30pm	Lunch <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
1.30 - 3.00pm	TOPICAL CONCURRENT SESSIONS 4
4A:	Bridging the gaps in research between animal and human pain research <i>Park</i>
4B:	Advocating for evidence-based treatments in low back pain - why, what and how <i>Grand 3+4</i>
4C:	Why the quality of healthcare provider treatment delivery matters <i>Lake 1+2</i>
4D:	Non-pharmacological interventions to enhance acute pain management in the Emergency Department <i>Element</i>
4E:	Eat, sleep, play: The role of interoception in building self-management skills for chronic pain <i>Grand 1+2</i>
4F:	Paediatric and Adult Patient Attrition and Engagement with Chronic Pain Services <i>Lake 3+4</i>
3.00 - 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea <i>Grand 5/6/7/L</i>
3.30 - 5.00pm	PLENARY 7 <i>Grand 1 - 4</i>
3.30 - 3.45pm	Conference Award Presentations Best Paper, Poster, Rapid Communication. Includes Best Free Paper Presentation
3.45 - 4.15pm	Dr David Ireland Putting the AI in Pain Management
4.15 - 4.45pm	Professor Andrew Rice: IASP Global Year: Neuropathic pain in neglected infections: Leprosy and HTLV-1
4.45 - 4.55pm	Q&A
4.55 - 5.00pm	Invitation to APS 2026 & Conference Close

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