# Shaping the Future of Head and Neck Cancer Treatment

Final Program

# ANZHNCS ASM 2025

## Friday 29 – Sunday 31 August 2025

Adelaide Convention Centre, Adelaide, South Australia



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#### ANZHNCS ASM 2025 PRE MEETING WORKSHOPS

#### **ANZHNCS ASM 2025 FINAL PROGRAM**

#### Friday 29 August 2025

		Filldy 25 August 2025	
Wednesday 2 8:00am - 5:00pm	<b>27 August 2025</b> Head and Neck Cadaveric Dissection Workshop – Day 1 Large Animal Research and Imaging Facility (LARIF), Gilles Plains	8:30am – 10:30am	Plenary Session 1: Shaping the future of head and neck cancer treatment Chairs: JC Hodge and Muhammed Yakin Hall E
	Convener: Rowan Valentine		Proudly Sponsored by 📀 MSD
	Supported by Karl Zeiss, KLS Martin, LifeHealthCare and Medtronic	8:30am – 8:40am	ASM Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country <i>Eng Ooi</i>
Thursday 28	August 2025	8:40am – 8:50am	Australian Research Foundation update
8:00am – 5:00pm	Head and Neck Cadaveric Dissection		Kerwin Shannon
	Workshop – Day 2 Large Animal Research and Imaging Facility (LARIF), Gilles Plains Convener: Rowan Valentine	8:50am – 9:00am	Latest updates from Head and Neck Cancer Australia (HANCA) <i>Nadia Rosin (HANCA)</i>
8:00am – 5:00pm	Jaw in a Day Workshop Riverbank Room 4, Adelaide Convention Centre Convener: Dr Felix Sim	9:00am – 9:25am	Novel approaches to personalised treatment of HPV-associated oropharyngeal cancer <i>Alexander Lin (Keynote Speaker)</i>
	Supported by BioMeDent, KLS Martin and Southern Implants	9:25am – 9:50am	Results of C-POST, a phase 3 trial of adjuvant cemiplimab versus placebo
9:30am – 5:00pm	Prehab to Rehab: Evidence versus Practicalities Workshop Riverbank Rooms 2 & 3, Adelaide		for high-risk cutaneous squamous cell carcinoma
			Danny Rischin (Keynote Speaker)
	Convention Centre Conveners: Tracey Nicholls and	9:50am – 10:05am	p16 is necessary but not important <i>Brian Stein</i>
	Lee Pryor	10:05am – 10:30am	Inspiration, imagination and DREAMIN Suren Krishnan (Chris O'Brien Oration Keynote Speaker)
To view the fina	al workshop programs, please <u>click here</u>	10:30am – 11:00am	Morning tea with industry
			Hall E Foyer
		11:00am – 12:30pm	Concurrent Session 2A: Latest on OPSCC management Chairs: Lee Pryor and Andrew Foreman
			Hall E
		11:00am – 11:25am	Update on completed and ongoing trials investigating TORS in head and neck oncology <i>Vincent Vander Poorten</i> <i>(Keynote Speaker)</i>
		11:25am – 11:33am	HPV vaccination and malignancy risks: A retrospective global cohort study <i>Christian Seebauer</i>



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Friday 29 August	: 2025 (cont'd)	1:54pm – 2:10pm	Radiotherapy for rare cancers, role
11:33am – 11:41am	Spatial profiling of oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma to identify predictors of genetic endpoints for		of proton beam radiotherapy, and controversies <i>Frank Saran</i>
	immunotherapy Cara Griffin	2:10pm – 3:00pm	Skull Base MDT case discussion Moderators: Rowan Valentine and Steve Chryssidis
11:41am – 12:30pm	OPSCC MDT case discussion <i>Moderators: Andrew Foreman and</i> <i>Nick Bajic</i>		Catherine Barnett, Ryan Sommerville, Frank Saran and Vincent Vander Poorten
	Panel: Ben Dixon, Caroline Whiteford, Rhys Hughes, Melanie Jackson and Shawgi Sukumaran	1:30pm – 3:00pm	Concurrent Session 3B: The importance of prehabilitation and
11:00am – 12:30pm	Concurrent Session 2B: Advanced skin cancers Chairs: Jia Miin Yip and Jenny Roy		nutrition in outcomes of head and neck cancer Chairs: Caili Jackaman and
	Riverbank Rooms 2 & 3		Belinda Lehn Hall E
11:00am – 11:25am	Neoadjuvant trials of immune checkpoint inhibitors in high risk cutaneous SCC <i>Danny Rischin (Keynote Speaker)</i>	1:30pm – 1:55pm	Multi-modal prehabilitation for head and neck cancer <i>Joanne Patterson (Keynote</i>
11:25am – 11:40am	The role of surgery in the era of effective immunotherapy for advanced head and neck cSCC Sydney Ch'ng	1:55pm – 2:10pm	Speaker) Pharyngeal high-resolution manometry with impedance in head and neck cance Mistyka Schar
11:40am – 11:48am	Vascularised motor nerve to vastus lateralis graft for immediate reconstruction of significant post- paretidectomy opcologic defects	2:10pm – 2:25pm	Dietetic issues and head and neck cancer outcomes <i>Merran Findlay</i>
	parotidectomy oncologic defects Yu Jin Jeong	2:25pm – 2:33pm	Preoperative frailty screening in HNC surgery: A prospective comparison of
11:48am – 12:30pm	Panel discussion: cSCC challenging cases		four assessment tools <b>Prithvi Santana</b>
	Moderator: Jia Miin Yip	2:33pm – 2:41pm	Nutrition and swallowing assessment
	Panel: Sydney Ch'ng, Danny Rischin and Angela Hong		with prehabilitation in upper aerodigestive tract cancer patients
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Lunch with industry		undergoing surgery or radiotherapy: Early outcomes
	Hall E Foyer		Nivedhan Ravichandran
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Concurrent Session 3A: Skull base and nasal cancers Chair: Rowan Valentine	2:41pm – 2:49pm	Enhancing swallowing and nutrition care: Practical steps to implement PROMS in HNC care
	Riverbank Rooms 2 & 3		Laura Moroney
1:30pm – 1:38pm	Full thickness and total nasal reconstruction utilising paired pericranial and forehead flaps <i>Catherine Meller</i>	2:49pm – 2:57pm	Implementing an evidence-based model of pre-operative nutrition care in patients undergoing oral cavity reconstruction surgery for head and neck cancer:
1:38pm – 1:46pm	Giving voice to head and neck cancer survivors: A qualitative investigation into the utility of peer support		A feasibility study Shane Mcauliffe
	the utility of peer support Jevan Cevik	2:57pm – 3:00pm	Questions
1:46pm – 1:54pm	Experience of compassionate care from the perspectives of people with head and neck cancer	3:00pm – 3:30pm	Afternoon tea with industry Hall E Foyer
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Case discussion Felix Sim

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3:30pm – 5:30pm	Plenary Session 4: Changing treatment paradigms in head and neck cancer Chairs: Jessica Prasad and Himani Joshi Hall E	8:00am – 8:50am	Breakfast Session 1: Cancer nurses and allied health: Shaping the future with new roles in a head and neck cancer service <i>Chair: Tracey Nicholls</i> <i>Riverbank Rooms 2 &amp; 3</i>
	South Australian Foundation of OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY Head and Neck Surgery (seentfoundation.com.au)	8:00am – 8:10am	The head and neck cancer nurse perspective from NZ <i>Louise Tjauw</i>
3:30pm – 3:40pm	Neoadjuvant-adjuvant pembrolizumab plus standard of care (SOC) in resectable locally advanced head and neck squamous cell carcinoma (LA	8:10am – 8:20am	The role of telehealth and the first specialist Head and Neck Cancer Helpline – 1300 424 848 <i>Megan Nutt</i>
	HNSCC): Randomised, open-label, phase 3 KEYNOTE-689 study Brett Hughes	8:20am – 8:30am	The role of FEES in a head and neck cancer service <i>Paula Antoniadis</i>
3:40pm – 4:05pm	Early post TORS swallowing outcomes for OPSCC Joanne Patterson (Keynote Speaker)	8:30am – 8:40am	Navigating the cancer pathway for patients <i>Caroline Whiteford</i>
4:05pm – 4:30pm	Burnout in oncology Tabitha Healey	8:40am – 8:50am	Nurse practitioner role in a head and neck cancer service: Extended practice <b>Sarah Davies</b>
4:30pm – 4:55pm	What molecular biological discoveries have clinical impact and relevance in salivary gland cancer? Vincent Vander Poorten (Keynote Speaker)	8:00am – 8:50am	Breakfast Session 2: Beyond tobacco and alcohol: The rise in oral cancer in the young patient <i>Chair: Felix Sim</i> Hall E
4:55pm – 5:20pm	Immune checkpoint inhibitors as part of definitive treatment of mucosal head and neck cancer: Update on phase 3 trial results	8:00am – 8:10am	Investigating the molecular mechanisms in young oral cancers <i>Ruta Gupta</i>
	Danny Rischin (Keynote Speaker)	8:10am – 8:20am	Medical oncology issues for young patients
5:20pm – 5:30pm	Questions		Alesha Thai
5:30pm – 7:00pm	Welcome Reception (Ticketed Event) Hall E Foyer	8:20am – 8:30am	Radiation oncology issues for young patients <i>Puma Sundaresan</i>
		8:30am – 8:40am	Surgical outcomes in young patients with oral cancer <i>Felix Sim</i>

#### Saturday 30 August 2025

8:40am - 8:50am



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9:00am – 10:30am	Plenary Session 5: Managing recurrent and locally advanced cancers Chairs: Paula Antoniadis and Stephanie Flukes Hall E	
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9:00am – 9:25am	Challenges in the management of cutaneous SCC with immune checkpoint inhibitors	12:12p
	Danny Rischin (Keynote Speaker)	
9:25am – 9:50am	Shared treatment decision-making for ageing adults with locally advanced head and neck cancer Joanne Patterson (Keynote	12:20p
	Speaker)	12:28p
9:50am – 10:15am	Salvage laryngectomy: Still a last resort Vincent Vander Poorten (Keynote Speaker)	11:00a
10:15am – 10:30am	Voluntary assisted dying: Understanding the process and options <i>Kate Fernandez</i>	
10:30am - 11:00am	Morning tea with industry	11:00a
10.00am 11.00am	Hall E Foyer	
11:00am – 12:30pm	Concurrent Session 6A: The unknown head and neck primary and free papers	11:12a
	Chairs: Shawgi Sukumaran and Matthew Magarey Hall E	11:24a
11:00am – 11:25am	Radiotherapy approaches for unknown primary head and neck cancers: Approaches to minimise toxicity via	11:36a
	volume reduction Alexander Lin (Keynote Speaker)	11:48a
11:25am – 11:40am	The surgical evidence and perspectives with the unknown head and neck primary <i>Jake Jervis-Bardy</i>	11:56a
11:40am – 11:48am	Old drugs, new radiosensitisers Ashlee Kimball	
11:48am – 11:56am	Pay it forward: A novel peer to peer support system for patients with head and neck cancer <i>Matthew Mason</i>	12:04¢
11:56am – 12:04pm	The role of adjunctive procedures in improving health-related quality of life following free flap jaw reconstruction <i>Jolande Ma</i>	12:12p

12:04pm – 12:12pm	Polycaprolactone and tricalcium phosphate scaffold system with corticoperiosteal tissue transfer for the reconstruction of segmental mandibular defects: Long term outcomes for a first in human case series and an upcoming clinical trial Lana Del Vecchio
12:12pm – 12:20pm	Radiation associated internal lymphoedema and swallowing impairment: Predictive insights from imaging and manometry <i>Li Chan</i>
12:20pm – 12:28pm	Smell-related quality of life changes after total laryngectomy <b>Navin Abeysinghe</b>
12:28pm – 12:30pm	Questions
11:00am – 12:30pm	Concurrent Session 6B: Management of head and neck cancer treatment related morbidity: Dental and facial <i>Chairs: Tim Manzie and</i> <i>Douglas Copson</i>
	Riverbank Rooms 2 & 3
11:00am - 11:12am	Facial prosthetics and its importance in head and neck cancer <b>Sophie Fleming</b>
11:12am – 11:24am	Latest updates on treatment of head and neck lymphoedema <b>Sally Ng</b>
11:24am – 11:36am	Ototoxicity David May
11:36am – 11:48am	Special dental needs for head and neck cancer patients <i>Sharon Liberali</i>
11:48am – 11:56am	Quantifying bite forces for solid foods: Implications for patients post mandibular reconstruction Jacob Clark
11:56am – 12:04pm	A new understanding in marginal mandibular nerve palsy: Avoiding smile dysfunction after neck surgery <b>Catherine Meller</b>
12:04pm – 12:12pm	Photobiomodulation therapy for post- radiation fibrosis in head and neck cancer: A series of case reports <i>Kate Perkins</i>
12:12pm – 12:20pm	Exploring healthcare experiences of individuals with head and neck cancer and associated communication changes

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Saturday 30 August 2025 (cont'd)		1:30pm – 3:00pm	Concurrent Session 7B: Psychosocial and financial impacts of head and	
h	Voices from the frontline: Informing allied lealth supportive care models for head and neck cancer patients receiving mmunotherapy	ied neck cancer		
	Nicole O'Donnell		Riverbank Rooms 2 & 3	
12:28pm – 12:30pm G	Questions	1:30pm – 1:38pm	Development and validation of a webcam-based tool to assess tongue	
12:30pm – 1:30pm Lu	unch with industry		motility and its correlation with speech	
Н	lall E Foyer		intelligibility and swallowing following tongue cancer surgery	
Ir	- 1:15pm MSD lunchtime symposium: Deepak Par	Deepak Paudel (Developing Nations Grant Recipient)		
h	lead and neck cancer	1:38pm – 1:46pm	The economic burden of HPV-related cancers in NZ	
	iall E		Sabrina Koh (Head and Neck	
P	roudly Sponsored by 📀 MSD		Cancer Foundation Aotearoa)	
a	Concurrent Session 7A: The role of Al and imaging in head and neck cancer nanagement	1:46pm – 1:54pm	Economic evaluations in head and neck cancer surveillance: A systematic review <i>Fiona Crawford-Williams</i>	
Н	Chairs: Sarah Deacon and Dainik Patel Iall E	1:54pm – 2:02pm	Implementing annual flexible endoscopic evaluation of swallowing (FEES) surveillance: The future of late-stage	
	he role of Al and imaging in head and leck cancer <b>Minh-Son To</b>		dysphagia detection post head and neck cancer <b>Rachel Walker</b>	
, , tr	Real world outcomes in the curative reatment of OPSCC using a novel, I enhanced, data collection tool <b>Caroline Connell</b>	2:02pm – 2:10pm	Overcoming challenges in advanced laryngeal cancer surgery: Strategies for resource-constrained developing countries <i>Md. Abdul Karim</i>	
2:00pm – 2:25pm A	I and the future of cancer research Lyle Palmer (Keynote Speaker)	2:10pm – 2:18pm Mapping survivorship r in a nurse-led head an	Mapping survivorship needs across time in a nurse-led head and neck cancer	
	I-enhanced CT image analysis for union letection in jaw reconstruction		clinic: A six-month service review	
	Mohammadhossein Ahmadi	2:18pm – 2:26pm	"A New Voice": Development of a	
	maging biomarkers for the prognostication of oral tongue carcinoma <i>Nivedita Chakrabarty</i>		diagnosis-to-treatment information book for patients with head and neck cancer Sandra Allen	
	leads up: Consumer engagement for a I&N digital health platform <b>Sarah Deacon</b>	2:26pm – 2:34pm	Profiling immunotherapy toxicity to guide allied health models <i>Nicole O'Donnell</i>	
ly .	Prevalence of head and neck mphoedema on CT following head and leck cancer treatment <b>Kevin Nguyen</b>	2:34pm – 2:42pm	Taking the lead: Evaluating nurse-led tracheostomy management in head and neck cancer surgery <i>Sarah Davies</i>	
2:57pm – 3:00pm C	Questions	2:42pm – 2:50pm	Measuring the impact of dysphagia on caregivers: The significant other scale for eating in head and neck cancer (SOSE- H&N) <b>Rebecca Packer</b>	

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2:50pm – 2:58pm	Exploring the lived experiences during the acute phase following head and neck cancer surgery <b>Penny Chapman</b>	7:00am – 8:00am	Fun Walk/Run (Ticketed Event) Join us for a run/walk along the River Torrens to help raise funds for the ANZHNCS Research Foundation
2:58pm – 3:00pm	Questions	8:30am – 10:00am	Concurrent Session 9A: Putting the
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Afternoon tea with industry		patient back together again Chairs: Martin Batstone and
	Hall E Foyer		Caroline Whiteford
3:30pm – 5:00pm	Plenary Session 8: Treatment de-escalation and survivorship: Where are we at? Chairs: Jack Harbison and	8:30am – 8:38am	Hall E Point-of-care virtual surgical planning for
		0.000	maxillofacial oncological reconstruction:
	Anne Taylor		An update on experience with 50 patients at an Australian tertiary referral centre
	Hall E		Bella Nguyen
3:30pm – 3:55pm	What surgical action is needed for what specific clinical scenario of salivary gland cancer	8:38am – 8:46am	The surgical management of mandibular osteoradionecrosis <i>Roi Kagan</i>
	Vincent Vander Poorten (Keynote Speaker)	8:46am – 8:54am	A five-year review of accuracy
3:55pm – 4:10pm	Head and neck cancer survivor: In conversation	0.40am - 0.04am	assessment in virtual surgical planning for maxillary and mandibular
	Peter Crowley (Patient) and Tracey Nicholls		reconstruction Jolande Ma
4:10pm – 4:35pm	Radiation de-escalation for HPV- associated oropharynx cancer: Present and future	8:54am – 9:02am	Bridging the gap: Complex head and neck free flap reconstruction in a regional setting: 2 years of the Townsville University Hospital experience
	Alexander Lin (Keynote Speaker)		Pedro Picco
4:35pm – 5:00pm	Enhancing survivorship: The impact of motivational interviewing on the implementation of interventions for head and neck cancer survivors Danielle MacNeil (Keynote Speaker)	9:02am – 9:17am	Sculpting to address barriers in head and neck reconstruction with consideration of both form and function <i>Kevin Nguyen</i>
5:10pm – 6:00pm	ANZHNCS Annual General Meeting (ANZHNCS Members Only)	9:17am – 9:32am	Innovations in jaw reconstruction Jonathan Clark
	Riverbank Rooms 2 & 3	9:32am – 9:57am	Utilising the angular artery: The scapula
7:00pm - 11:00pm	Meeting Dinner (Ticketed Event)		tip free flap in optimising head and neck reconstruction outcomes
	City Rooms 1 - 4		Danielle MacNeil (Keynote Speaker)
	Incorporate burgundy into your dinner outfit – the official colour representing	9:57am – 10:00am	Questions
	head and neck cancer – to honour patients, survivors, and the medical community dedicated to improving lives.	8:30am - 10:00am	Concurrent Session 9B: Free papers Chairs: Rachael Chang and Hien Le
			Riverbank Rooms 2 & 3
		8:30am – 8:38am	Prolonged survival in anaplastic thyroid cancer: Insights from multi-modal treatment across two institutions <i>Zheng Fong</i>
		8:38am – 8:46am	Design and development of a multigene panel for diagnosis of malignancy in indeterminate thyroid nodules

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8:46am – 8:54am	Safety and efficacy of vismodegib and sonidegib in advanced basal cell carcinoma of the head and neck: A systematic review and meta-analysis <i>Cindy Doyle</i>
8:54am – 9:02am	Patient perspectives on nurse-initiated follow-up calls after head and neck cancer surgery <b>Carla Wilkinson</b>
9:02am – 9:10am	The epidemiological trend and characteristics of oral tongue cancer in females: Systematic review and meta- analysis <i>Joseph Hu</i>
9:10am – 9:18am	Discovery of critical pathways in oral squamous cell carcinoma: Unveiling new molecular insights and interventions in betel nut chewers and non-habit individuals <i>Rifat Rahman</i>
9:18am – 9:26am	Prognostic role of imaging biomarkers in oral tongue carcinomas <i>Nivedita Chakrabarty</i>
9:26am – 9:34am	Feasibility and outcomes of sentinel lymph node biopsy for early oral cavity squamous cell carcinoma in Australia <b>Daniel Oh</b>
9:34am – 9:42am	Evaluation of micro metastasis in early- stage tongue carcinoma with N0 neck: A prospective clinical analysis <i>Rijuneeta Gupta</i>
9:42am – 9:50am	Energy expenditure in head and neck cancer: A systematic literature review and meta-analysis <i>Judy Bauer</i>
9:50am – 9:58am	Routine collection of patient-reported outcomes (PROs) in people treated curatively for head and neck cancers (HNC) <i>Chindhu Shunmuga Sundaram</i>
9:58am – 10:00am	Questions
10:00am – 10:30am	Morning tea with industry Hall E Foyer

10:30am – 12:00pm	Plenary Session 10: Future directions in treating head and neck cancer Chairs: Eng Ooi and Julia Crawford Hall E
10:30am – 10:55am	Addressing the survivorship needs of head and neck cancer patients and their families: Future directions Joanne Patterson (Keynote Speaker)
10:55am – 11:20am	FLASH and other new developments in radiotherapy for head and neck cancer <i>Alexander Lin (Keynote Speaker)</i>
11:20am - 11:30am	Restoring biomimetic blink after facial paralysis: Evaluation of the bionic lid implant for natural closure (BLINC) in a chronic implantation study <i>Jacinta Cleary</i>
11:30am – 11:40am	Radiation planning in NRG-HN014, a trial in progress <i>Mehran Yusuf</i>
11:40am – 11:50am	ANZHNCS and IFHNOS 2026 Sandro Porceddu
11:50am – 12:00pm	Presentation of awards, Inaugural Head and Neck Cancer Gala Ball update and, conclusion of ASM <i>Eng Ooi and Julia Crawford</i>

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