

Scientific Program Schedule

Friday 23 October 2026 – Pre-Conference Workshops

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<tr><td>10:00am – 12:30pm</td><td colspan="2">Workshop 1
Venue: Epworth Richmond – Bridge Road
Room: Auditorium 1

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Towards Excellence in Stroboscopy: A Workshop for ENTs and Speech Pathologists
Lead Facilitator: Dr Amanda Richards

Facilitators: Dr Theodore Athanasiadis, Kate Baumwol, Natasha Curham, Madlyn Connelly, Dr Nicole Free, Dr Georgina Harris, Dr Hayley Herbert, Dr Jae Murphy, A/Prof Debbie Phyland</td></tr>
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Venue: Epworth Richmond – Bridge Road
Room: Auditorium 1

Inside Expert Voice Therapy: Live Demonstrations, Clinical Reasoning, and Skill Coaching
Clinicians: Dr Edie Hapner, Dr Aaron M. Johnson, Dr Catherine Madill, A/Prof Debbie Phyland

Facilitators: Lucy Bath, Kate Baumwol, Natasha Curham, Dr Nicole Free, Georgia Magarey, Dr Danielle Stone</td><td>Workshop 3
Venue: Epworth Richmond – Bridge Road
Room: Cato 2

SPONSORED BY - LifeHealthcare

Using PRP in the Laryngology Clinic: Clinical Indications, Procedures and Lessons Learnt So Far
Facilitators: Dr Matthew Broadhurst, Dr Elizabeth Hodge, A/Prof Daniel Novakovic, Dr Amanda Richards, Dr Thomas Stewart</td></tr>
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Room: Auditorium 1

Inside Expert Voice Therapy: Live Demonstrations, Clinical Reasoning, and Skill Coaching
Lead Facilitator: Nicole Free

Facilitators: Kate Baumwol, Natasha Curham, Dr Danielle Stone, Georgia Magarey, Lucy Bath</td></tr>
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Saturday 24 October 2026

7:30am – 8:30am	**Breakfast Workshop** Room: Grand Ballroom **Collecting Voice Data in the Clinic – Essential Measures, Protocols and Free Data Collection Tools** **SPONSORED BY - Sydney Voice Lab**
PLENARY SESSION 1 – *8:30am – 10:35am* **Room: Grand Ballroom** Chair: Danielle Stone, LSANZ President	
8:30am – 8:40am	**Official Opening Addresses** *Dr Amanda Richards, Conference Convenor*
8:40am – 9:10am	**Keynote Speaker** **Latest in Laryngeal Reinnervation** *Dr Kate Heathcote*
9:10am – 9:55am	**Keynote Speaker** **Laryngeal Reflexes: Where Are We in 2026?** *A/Prof Catherine Sinclair*
9:55am – 10:15am	**Invited Speaker** **Neuronal Hypersensitivity in Chronic Cough** *Prof Stuart Mazzone*
10:15am – 10:35am	**Invited Speaker** **Movement Disorders of the Larynx: Navigating the Complexities of Nomenclature and Classification** *Dr Belinda Cruse*
10:35am – 11:00am	**Morning Tea**
PLENARY SESSION 2 – 11:00am – 12:35pm **Room: Grand Ballroom** Chair: Jane Bickford	
11:00am – 11:45am	**Keynote Speaker** **"Moving Beyond the Gap" - Decision Making in Presbyphonia** *Dr Edie Hapner*
11:45am – 12:15pm	**Keynote Speaker** **Basic-Science Techniques in Voice Research** *Dr Aaron M. Johnson*
12:15pm – 12:35pm	**Invited Speaker** **Microelectrode Recordings of Cardiac, Respiratory and Digestion-Related Activity in the Human Vagus Nerve** *Prof Vaughan Macefield*
12:35pm – 1:20pm	**Lunch**

PLENARY SESSION 3 – 1:20pm – 3:00pm **Advances in Assessment and Voice Therapy** **Room: Grand Ballroom** Chair: Jennifer Oates		
1:20pm – 1:35pm	**Identifying Medically Urgent Voice Disorders: Evaluation of an Australian Speech-Language Pathology Primary Contact Assessment** *Dr Christopher Payten*	
1:35pm – 1:50pm	**Laryngeal Sensory Dysfunction in Subgroups of Voice Disorders** *Dr Catherine Madill*	
1:50pm – 2:05pm	**Their Story Tells the Picture: Self-Rated Voice Function Using the EASE Scale and Laryngeal Diagnoses in Treatment-Seeking Singers** *A/Prof Debbie Phyland*	
2:05pm – 2:20pm	**The Development and Preliminary Validation of the Thyroid Symptom Questionnaire: A Tool for the Assessment of Laryngopharyngeal Symptoms in Benign Thyroid Disease** *Dr Vikash Yogaraj*	
2:20pm – 2:35pm	**Perspectives and Acceptance of a Collaborative Database of Voice Disorders: A National Survey of Australian Otolaryngologists and Speech Pathologists** *Dr Catherine Madill*	
2:35pm – 2:50pm	**A Mixed-Method Study on the Efficacy of a Singing-Based Voice Therapy for Patients with Presbyphonia** *Dr Wing-nam Crystal Yuen*	
2:50pm – 3:00pm	**Session Q&A**	
PANEL 1 – 3:00pm – 3:30pm **Room: Grand Ballroom**		
3:00pm – 3:30pm	**Controversies and Collaborative Laryngology** *Moderator: David Vokes* *Panellists: Dr Edie Hapner, Dr Catherine Madill, Kate Baumwol, Dr Kate Heathcote, A/Prof Catherine Sinclair, Dr Theo Athanasiadis*	
3:30pm – 4:00pm	**Afternoon Tea**	
	CONCURRENT A: 4:00pm – 5:10pm **Advances in Surgery, Dysphagia and Airway** **Room: Ballroom 1& 2** Chair: Jae Murphy	**CONCURRENT B: 4:00pm – 5:10pm** **Advances in Professional Voice** **Room: Ballroom 3** Chair: Cathy Allen
4:00pm – 4:15pm	**First Clinical Experience with Combined Platelet-Rich Plasma and Hyaluronic Acid Injection for Vocal Fold Atrophy and Scar** *Dr Zuraini Mohammad Nasir*	**Hearing Their Voices: Current Perspectives of Australian Teachers Toward Voice Care** *Dr Jane Bickford*
4:15pm – 4:30pm	**Feasibility, Safety and Outcomes of Awake Oesophageal Dilatation in Head and Neck Cancer Patients via Trans-Nasal Oesophagoscopy** *Dr Jonathan Woliansky*	**Voice Care Perspectives of Australian School Leadership** *Dr Jane Bickford*

4:30pm – 4:45pm	**Prevalence and Predictors of Laryngeal Sensory Symptoms in Unilateral Vocal Fold Paralysis** *Dr Zuraini Mohammad Nasir*	**Does Practicing Resonant Voice in 360-Degree Videos of Classroom Environments Enhance Voice Therapy Outcomes for Teachers?** *A/Prof Estella Ma*
4:45pm – 5:00pm	**Piloting a Multidisciplinary Nonsurgical Pathway for Infants with Laryngomalacia** *Julie Bettle and Siew-Lian Crossley*	**Voice Therapy Adherence from the Perspective of Occupational Voice Users** *Dr Lauryn Stewart*
5:00pm – 5:10pm	**Session Q&A**	**Session Q&A**
5:10pm – 6:00pm	**Annual General Meeting (AGM)** All members welcome **Ballroom 1 & 2**	
6:00pm – 8:00pm	**Conference Networking Event – Ballroom Foyer**	

Sunday 25 October 2026

7:30am – 8:30am	**Breakfast Session** Room: Grand Ballroom **Dysphagia Bites: Clinical Updates for Speech Pathologists and ENTs** *Facilitator: Susie Griffiths* **Invited Speaker** **The Role of Pharyngeal Manometry in Dysphagia Evaluation and Management** *Claire Stanley* **Invited Speaker** **Dysphagia Rehabilitation: Bisskapp and EMST** *Kate Lethbridge* **Invited Speaker** **Dysphagia Rehabilitation: Bolus Based Rehabilitation Approaches** *Annabelle Vaughan* **Invited Speaker** **The Role of Fillers for VPI Management** *A/Prof Paul Paddle* **Invited Speaker** **Awake CP Dilation and TNO** *Dr Anthony Rotman* **Invited Speaker** **Endoluminal Surgical Tunnelling Approaches to Treat the UES** *A/Prof Theo Athanasiadis*

PLENARY SESSION 4 – 8:30am – 10:00am **Room: Grand Ballroom** Chair: Georgina Harris	
8:30am – 9:00am	**Keynote Speaker** **The Rise of In-Office Laryngology: Innovation, Efficiency, and Patient-Centred Care** *Dr Kate Heathcote*
9:00am – 9:15am	**Invited Speaker** **Updates in Laryngeal Dysplasia and Cancer** *Dr Charles Giddings*
9:15am – 9:45am	**Keynote Speaker** **Effect of Vocal Training on Neuromuscular Plasticity** *Dr Aaron M. Johnson*
9:45am – 10:00am	**Changing Voices: Evolving Multidisciplinary Care in Gender-Affirming Voice Surgery** *A/Prof Paul Paddle*
PANEL 2 – 10:00am – 10:30am **Room: Grand Ballroom**	
10:00am – 10:30am	**Vocal Fold Scarring and Biomaterials: Surgical Intervention and Voice Therapy Options, Opinions and Evidence** *Moderator: Travis Leahy* *Panellists: Dr Kate Heathcote, A/Prof Paul Paddle, A/Prof Daniel Novakovic, Dr Aaron M. Johnson, A/Prof Debbie Phyland*
10:30am – 11:00am	**Morning Tea**
PLENARY SESSION 5 – 11:00am – 12:15pm **Exercise Testing, ILO and Cough** **Room: Grand Ballroom** Chair: Kate Baumwol	
11:00am – 11:20am	**Invited Speakers** **Exercise Testing: A Performance Perspective** *A/Prof Paul Tofari and Dr Doug Whyte*
11:20am – 11:35am	**Comparing Eucapnic Voluntary Hyperventilation and Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing in the Diagnosis of Exercise Induced Laryngeal Obstruction** *Dr Danielle Stone*
11:35am – 11:50am	**Addition of Amitriptyline or Placebo to Speech Pathology for Inducible Laryngeal Obstruction: A Double-Blind Randomised Controlled Trial** *Dr Janine Mahoney*
11:50am – 12:05pm	**Effectiveness of a Speech Pathology-Led Primary Contact Clinic for Chronic Cough: Pre and Post Outcomes** *Dr Chloe Walton*
12:05pm – 12:15pm	**Session Q&A**
12:15pm – 1:00pm	**Lunch**

	CONCURRENT A: 1:00pm – 2:10pm ILO and Laryngeal Dysfunction Room: Ballroom 1 & 2 Chair: Dailan Evans	CONCURRENT B: 1:00pm – 2:10pm Assessment and Service Delivery Room: Ballroom 3 Chair: Chloe Walton
1:00pm – 1:15pm	**Quantification of Laryngeal Narrowing in Inducible Laryngeal Obstruction - Validation of Novel Software** *Dr Danielle Stone*	**Evaluating the Feasibility and Outcomes of an Advanced Practice Speech Pathology – ENT Primary Contact Service** *Chantal Mitvalsky*
1:15pm – 1:30pm	**Evaluation of a laryngeal dysfunction assessment and treatment tool** *A/Prof Anne Vertigan*	**Patient Completed Voice Case History Questionnaire – Part 2: A Two-Part Global Survey of Otorhinolaryngologists and Speech Language Pathologists** *Dr Catherine Madill*
1:30pm – 1:45pm	**Bridging the Airway Divide: Educating Speech Pathologists About Laryngeal Dysfunction and Co-Occurring Asthma** *Jordan Jeffery*	**Aerodynamic Characteristics of Phonation in Subgroups of Voice Disorders Classified Based Upon the USVAC-C2025 Framework** *Dr Duy Duong Nguyen*
1:45pm – 2:00pm	**Exploring factors impacting engagement in speech pathology intervention for Inducible Laryngeal Obstruction: A qualitative study** *Dr Janine Mahoney*	**Effects of Respiratory Priming on Lung Volume and Laryngeal Resistance in Trained and Untrained Speakers** *Dr Catherine Madill*
2:00pm – 2:10pm	**Session Q&A**	**Session Q&A**
PLENARY SESSION 6 – 2:10pm – 2:45pm **AI and Technology** **Room: Ballroom 1 & 2** Chair: Laura Moroney		
2:10pm – 2:30pm	**Invited Speaker** **Machine Learning Models for Automated Voice Disorder Assessment Using Acoustic Data** *Prof Dr-Ing Michael Döllinger*	
2:30pm – 2:45pm	**Classifying Voice Disorders for Machine Learning: A Pilot Study of a Novel Diagnostic Framework, the USVAC-C2025** *Dr Catherine Madill*	
PANEL 3 & CONFERENCE CLOSE – 2:45pm – 3:30pm **Room: Ballroom 1 & 2**		
2:45pm – 3:15pm	**Do You Know What I Do?** *Moderator: Meaghan Sullivan* *Panellists: Trudy Lynch, Dr Laura Maroney, Dr Christpher Payten, Dr Anthony Rotman*	
3:15pm – 3:30pm	**Closing Remarks, Acknowledgements and Awards** *Dr Amanda Richards and Dr Nicole Free, Conference Co-Convenors*	