



PROGRAM OUTLINE

Tuesday 2 June 2026	
17:30 – 19:30	EMCR Sundowner
	<i>A casual event for students, early and mid-career researchers to get together prior to the start of the congress the following day at a venue to be announced. Drinks at guests own expense with light nibbles supported by Dr Sue Fletcher.</i>

Wednesday 3 June 2026	
09:00 – 09:30	OFFICIAL OPENING <i>Meeting</i> <i>Room 1 – 3</i>
	Welcome to Country
	ANN Welcome Dr Ian Woodcock, President, Australasian Neuromuscular Network
	AOMC Welcome Dr Ichizo Nishino, President, The Asian and Oceanian Myology Center
	Patient Story Speaker to be announced
09:30 – 10:30	PLENARY SESSION 1 <i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>
	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Metabolic Myopathies & Rhabdomyolysis Prof Ros Quinlivan (United Kingdom)
10:30 – 11:00	Morning Tea
11:00 – 12:30	Themed Symposium 1: Metabolic Myopathies & Rhabdomyolysis <i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>
	11:00 Rhabdomyolysis Dr Emily Oates (Australia)
	11:30 Dr Wen-Chen Liang (Taiwan)

12:00	Metabolic/lipid storage myopathy - insights from Asia Dr Duo Li (China)
12:30 – 13:15	Lunch
13:15 – 15:15	EMCR Presentations
15:15 – 15:40	Afternoon Tea
15:40 – 17:00	Poster Session 1
17:00 – 18:00	Debate: AI Replacing Clinicians & Researchers
	<i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>
18:30 – 20:00	Welcome Reception

Thursday 4 June 2026		
08:00 – 09:00	Breakfast Symposia Dr Vivek Mundada (United Arab Emirates)	Presented by  NOVARTIS
09:00 – 10:30	Themed Symposium 2: Inflammatory Myopathies	
	<i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>	
	IBM Prof Merrilee Needham (Australia)	
	Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Myopathy: A Journey from Bedside to Bench and Back to Bedside Prof Teerin Liewluck (United States)	
10:30 – 11:00	Morning Tea	
11:00 – 12:30	EMCR Presentations Session 2	
	<i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>	
12:30 – 13:15	Lunch & EMCR Networking	
13:15 – 15:15	Themed Symposium 3: Disease Modelling & Emerging Therapies	
	<i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>	
13:15	Outcome measures in LGMD in era of therapies Dr Meredith James (UK)	
13:55	Disease modelling/EMTs Dr Joshua Clayton (Australia)	
14:20	AI-driven biomarker discovery and stem cell modelling in Motor Neuron Disease Dr Crystal Jing Jing Yeo (Singapore)	

14:45	Genetics and modelling of neuropathies, could also talk about AOINC Prof Marina Kennerson (Australia)
15:15 – 15:40	Afternoon Tea
15:40 – 17:00	Poster Session 2
18:30 – Late	Conference Dinner – Venue to be Confirmed

Friday 5 June 2026	
08:00 – 09:00	Industry Sponsored Breakfast
09:00 – 10:30	AOMC Plenary Session <i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>
09:00	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Rare Care experience, an NMD focus Prof Jong-Hee Chae (South Korea)
09:40 – 10:30	Transition Care <i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>
09:40	Professor Ros Quinlivan (United Kingdom)
10:00	Patient Perspective
10:30 – 11:00	Morning Tea
11:00 – 12:30	Themed Symposium 4: Foundations & Frontiers in Neuromuscular Care
11:00	Respiratory health Dr Adelaide Withers (Perth)
11:30	Redefining physiotherapy in the age of disease modifying therapies Dr Kristy Rose (AUS)
12:00	Clinical trials and readiness, NZ perspective Dr Richard Roxburgh (NZ)
12:30 – 13:15	Lunch & ANN AGM
13:15 – 15:00	Concurrent Sessions
Session 1: Interesting Cases	Session 2: Community-focused session: Therapies and equity of access
	Equity and access around the globe Dr Michelle Lorentzos
	Exon skipping for NMDs Prof Emerita Sue Fletcher

	The Perth Rare Care Centre Therapies Flagship Dr May Aung-Htut
15:00 – 15:30	Afternoon Tea
15:30 – 16:00	Closing Session
	Awards & Closing Ceremony Prof Gina Ravenscroft, Dr Ichizo Nishino, Dr Ian Woodcock