




# PROGRAM OUTLINE

Tuesday 2 June 2026	
17:30 – 19:30	<b>EMCR Sundowner</b>
	<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	<b>OFFICIAL OPENING</b> <span style="float: right;"><i>Meeting</i></span> <i>Room 1 – 3</i>
	<b>Welcome to Country</b>
	<b>ANN Welcome</b> Dr Ian Woodcock, President, Australasian Neuromuscular Network
	<b>AOMC Welcome</b> Dr Ichizo Nishino, President, The Asian and Oceanian Myology Center
	<b>Patient Story</b> Speaker to be announced
09:30 – 10:30	<b>PLENARY SESSION 1</b> <i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>
	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Metabolic Myopathies &amp; Rhabdomyolysis</b> Prof Ros Quinlivan (United Kingdom)
10:30 – 11:00	<b>Morning Tea</b>
11:00 – 12:30	<b>Themed Symposium 1: Metabolic Myopathies &amp; Rhabdomyolysis</b> <i>Venue: Meeting Room 1 – 3</i>
	11:00 <b>Rhabdomyolysis</b> Dr Emily Oates (Australia)
	11:30 Dr Wen-Chen Liang (Taiwan)

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

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

14:45	<b>Genetic Discovery and Modelling Inherited Neuropathies</b> Prof Marina Kennerson (Australia)
<b>15:15 – 15:40</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
<b>15:40 – 17:00</b>	Poster Session 2
<b>18:30 – Late</b>	<b>Conference Dinner – Venue to be Confirmed</b>

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

	Dr May Aung-Htut
15:00 – 15:30	Afternoon Tea
15:30 – 16:00	Closing Session
	<b>Awards &amp; Closing Ceremony</b> Prof Gina Ravenscroft, Dr Ichizo Nishino, Dr Ian Woodcock