



CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN  
**SEVERE ASTHMA**

*Innovative solutions for severe asthma*

## Annual Research Meeting Agenda

Wednesday 27 November 2019

Venue: Hunter Medical Research Institute, Caves Theatre

Time	Activity
8:45 – 9:00	<i>Arrival with Tea / Coffee</i>
9:00 – 9:15	<b>Welcome, Overview &amp; House-Keeping</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Centre of Excellence Co-Directors: Profs. Peter Gibson &amp; Vanessa McDonald (University of Newcastle)</li><li>• Mr. Tim Crakanthorp MP (Member for Newcastle)</li></ul>
9:15 – 10:30	<b>Session 1 – Understanding and Managing Severe Asthma</b> Chair: Prof. Helen Reddel (University of Sydney / Woolcock Institute)
9:15 – 9:40	<b>Population Indicators for Severe Asthma</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prof. Guy Marks (University of New South Wales)</li></ul>
9:40 – 10:05	<b>Treatable Traits in Severe Asthma - Predictors of Exacerbations and Treatment Approaches</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prof. Vanessa McDonald (University of Newcastle)</li></ul>
10:05 – 10:30	<b>Gene Signatures as Biomarkers for Severe Asthma – 6GS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Michael Fricker (University of Newcastle)</li></ul>
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Morning Tea and Networking (Haggerty Space)</i>
11:00 – 12:15	<b>Session 2 – Severe Asthma Patient Experience &amp; Resources</b> Chair: Prof. Greg King (University of Sydney / Woolcock Institute)
11:00 – 11:25	<b>Experience of Living with Severe Asthma</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Daniela Eassey / Prof. Lorraine Smith (University of Sydney)</li></ul>
11:25 – 11:50	<b>Patient Experiences Regarding Add-on Severe Asthma Treatments</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Vanessa Clark (University of Newcastle)</li></ul>
11:50 – 12:15	<b>Resource Development to Support Severe Asthma Care – Severe Asthma Toolkit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prof. Peter Gibson (University of Newcastle)</li></ul>

<b>12:15 – 13:15</b>	<i>Lunch (Haggerty Space)</i>
<b>13:15 – 14:35</b>	<b>Session 3 – Digital Technology to Support Personalised Healthcare</b> Chair: Prof. John Upham (University of Queensland)
<b>13:15 – 13:40</b>	<b>The Kiss MyAsthma App</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Lorraine Smith / Michele Goldman (University of Sydney / Asthma Australia)</li> </ul>
<b>13:40 – 14:10</b>	<b>Development and Assessment of eHealth Interventions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A/Prof. Farah Magrabi (Macquarie University)</li> </ul>
<b>14:10 – 14:35</b>	<b>Digital Health in COPD</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Ian Yang (University of Queensland)</li> </ul>
<b>14:35 – 15:00</b>	<i>Afternoon Tea and Networking (Haggerty Space)</i>
<b>15:00 – 15:30</b>	<b>Session 3 – Digital Technology to Support Personalised Healthcare (continued)</b> Chair: Prof. John Upham (University of Queensland)
<b>15:00 – 15:30</b>	<b>Digital Health Approaches to Improve Patient Outcomes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Marlien Varnfield (e-Health Research Centre CSIRO)</li> </ul>
<b>15:30 – 16:30</b>	<b>Session 4 – Long-Term Population Studies &amp; Implementation</b> Chair: Prof. Peter Wark (University of Newcastle)
<b>15:30 – 16:00</b>	<b>Population Studies of Respiratory Disease – Optimal Design, Retention and Consumer Involvement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Alan James (University of Western Australia)</li> </ul>
<b>16:00 – 16:30</b>	<b>Early-Life Cohort Studies in Respiratory Disease</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Peter Sly (University of Queensland)</li> </ul>
<b>16:30 – 17:00</b>	<i>Discussions, Networking &amp; Mentoring</i>



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## **Public Evening Symposium**

**Wednesday 27 November 2019**

**Venue: Newcastle Museum, McIntyre Theatrette**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
<b>17:30</b>	<b>Arrival</b>
<b>Public Evening Symposium</b> Chair: Prof. Vanessa McDonald (University of Newcastle)	
<b>18:00 – 18:15</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Centre of Excellence Co-Directors: Profs. Peter Gibson &amp; Vanessa McDonald (University of Newcastle)</li><li>• Ms. Kate Washington MP (Shadow Minister for Rural Health, Member for Port Stephens)</li><li>• Ms. Sonia Hornery MP (Member for Wallsend)</li></ul>
<b>18:15 – 19:00</b>	<b>HealthTalk Australia Patient Experience Website Launch</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presenters: Prof. Lorraine Smith &amp; Daniela Eassey (University of Sydney)</li></ul>
<b>19:00 – 19:30</b>	<b>Patient Panel Discussion – Living with Severe Asthma</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Facilitator: Prof. Lorraine Smith (University of Sydney)</li></ul>
<b>19:30</b>	<b>Canapes &amp; Discussion</b>