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Conference program

08:00 - 08:45

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DAY 1, August 16, 2023
Registrations open

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Session 1: Plenary

Chairs: A/Prof Zlatibor Veličković & A/Prof Emily Blyth





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09:15



Prof Jacques Galipeau

President, International Society for Cell & Gene Therapy
Don and Marilyn Anderson Professor in Oncology, Associate Dean for Therapeutics
Development

University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, Director, UW Program for Advanced Cell Therapy, University of Wisconsin in Madison, USA

Title: A roadmap towards risk-adapted regulatory approval schemes for sustainable access to personalised CGTs

09:45



Prof Marina Cavazzana

Biotherapy Department, Necker-Enfants Malades Hospital, AP-HP, Paris, France; Biotherapy Clinical Investigation Center, Groupe Hospitalier Universitaire Centre, AP-HP, INSERM, Paris, France; Imagine Institute, Université Paris Cité, Paris, France.

The Geoff Symonds Oration: The coming of age of gene therapies

10:15 Q&A

10:30 - Morning break with the Exhibitors
10:50 Sponsored by Gilead



Session 2: ISCT ANZ - ASSCR Joint Session

Chairs: Dr Jennifer Hollands & A/Prof Ngaire Elwood





10:50



A/Prof Pritinder Kaur

Associate Professor | Head Epithelial Stem Cell Biology Group | School of Biomedical Sciences | Curtin University, Curtin Health and Innovation Research Institute, Perth, Australia

Title: Approaches to improve human skin regeneration

11:15

Q&A

11:20



Dr Anai Gonzalez Cordero

Al & Val Rosenstrauss Fellow, Stem Cell Medicine Group Leader, Children's Medical Research Institute, Westmead, Sydney, Australia

Title: Developing cell replacement therapy for inherited retinal diseases

11:45

Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

Pei Tian

11:50

Murdoch Children's Research Institute, Melbourne, Australia

Title: Creating clinically compliant induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) lines: transition from the research lab to full GMP

12:00

Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

Dr Lisa Holmes

12:05

Cell & Tissue Therapies WA, Royal Perth Hospital, Perth, Australia

Title: Translating Research into Clinical Trial: Culturing Human Corneal Endothelial Cells for Corneal Endothelial Cell Injection Therapy

12:15

Q&A

Corporate Lunch Session Sponsored by Genscript ProBio



Dr Yuyuan Dai

12:20 -13:20 Head of AP&EU Solution BD

GenScript ProBio

Title: mRNA One-stop Solution: Plasmid, Linearized DNA, IVT-mRNA and mRNA-LNP

Session 3: Preclinical Research

Chairs: Dr Guy Klamer & Dr Wei Jiang







13:20	Prof Jonas Nilsson Harry Perkins Institute of Medical Research, University of Western Australia, Perth, Australia; Sahlgrenska Center for Cancer Research, Dept of Surgery, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. Title: Defining tumor reactive lymphocytes in melanoma to improve cell therapy
13:45	Q&A
13:50	A/Prof Misty Jenkins Laboratory Head, Immunology Division, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, Melbourne, Australia. Title: Developing a novel pipeline for the preclinical testing of immunotherapy for brain cancer
14:15	Q&A
14:20	Oral Abstract Presentation Xiang Li Cancer Research, QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute, Brisbane, Australia Title: 4-1BB versus CD28 co-stimulation – tailored signalling for Glioblastoma-targeted CARs
14:30	Q&A
14:35	Oral Abstract Presentation Dr Ishmael Inocencio The Ritchie Centre, Hudson Institute of Medical Research, Melbourne, Australia Title: Testing the Preclinical Safety of Human Amniotic Epithelial Cell Derived Extracellular Vesicles in a Large Animal Model of Fetal Inflammation
14:45	Q&A
14:50 -	Afternoon break with the Exhibitors

14:50 -15:10 Afternoon break with the Exhibitors
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Session 4: Process Development & Manufacturing

Chairs: Dr Rebecca Lim & Leon Brownrigg







15:10	-

Dr Louise Smith Tekcyte Adelaide, Australia



Harsha Gupta Cynata Therapeutics Limited, Melbourne, Australia



Anna Ng Cell & Tissue Therapies WA, Perth, Australia

Title: Developing an iPSC derived MSC therapy for Diabetic Foot Ulcers in Australia

15:35	Q&A
	A/Prof Leszek Lisowski
	Unit Head, Translational Vectorology

15:40

19:30

Head, Translational Vectorology Unit, Children's Medical Research Institute, Westmead, Sydney, Australia

Title: Novel bioengineered AAVs for gene therapy applications: how to make

	Title: Novel bioengineered AAVs for gene therapy applications: how to make them and how to produce them!
16:05	Q&A
16:10	Cral Abstract Presentation Katherine Audsley PhD Candidate, Telethon Kids Institute, The University of Western Australia, School of Biomedical Sciences, University of Western Australia, Perth, Australia Title: Identifying novel therapeutic targets to improve adoptive cell therapy using a model of Flt3L-mediated tumor suppression
16:20	Q&A
16:25	Oral Abstract Presentation Dr Christina Scheffler Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Sir Peter MacCallum Department of Oncology, University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia Title: Improving CAR T cell efficacy through the dual application of the PH inhibitor CellPryme
16:35	Q&A
16:40 - 19:00	Poster Viewing and Networking Event Sponsored by the Government of Western Australia

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Session 5: Regulatory Updates

Chairs: Dr Gabrielle O'Sullivan & Craig Wright





09:00



Dr Glenn Smith

Director Biological Science Section, Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), Canberra, Australia

Title: Regulation of cell and tissue therapies, an update

09:15



09:20



Dr Sarita Dhounchak

Assistant Director, Office of the Gene Technology Regulator (OGTR), Canberra, Australia

Title: An update on the regulation of human clinical trials with GMOs

09:35

Q&A

09:40



Dr Tim Strabala

Principal Scientist, New Organisms, Hazardous Substances and New Organisms, Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) NZ, Wellington, New Zealand

Title: Current GMO and biotechnology regulation in New Zealand

09:55

Q&A

10:00



Prof Phyllis Warkentin

Chief Medical Officer, Foundation for the Accreditation of Cellular Therapy (FACT), Professor of Pathology / Microbiology and Pediatrics University of Nebraska Medical Center Omaha, NE, USA

Title: The role of voluntary accreditation in cellular therapy: an update from FACT

10:15

Q&A

10:20

Morning break with the Exhibitors
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Session 6: "Ask the Regulator" Scenarios Q&A

Chairs: A/Prof Dominic Wall & Kasey Kime





10:40

Panel discussion with the regulators (TGA, OGTR, EPA NZ and FACT)

Corporate Lunch Session Sponsored by Rapidmicro

David Franken 12:00 -

13:00 **Business Manager AUSTRALIA** Rapid Micro Biosystems (Melbourne)

Title: Ensuring product safety when it really 'counts'





Session 7: Early Stage Professionals

Introduction by Prof Jacques Galipeau ISCT President







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Chairs:	Dr Madison Paton & Jessica Sue
	Oral Abstract Presentation
13:10	Dr Alicia Didsbury
	Research Fellow, Dunbar Lab, School of Biological Sciences, Te Kura Mātauranga Koiora, University of Auckland, Waipapa Taumata Rau, Auckland, Aotearoa, New Zealand
	Title: Facing The Challenges in Developing Immunotherapy for Ovarian Cancer in Resource- Limited Settings: Perspectives of an Early Career Researcher
11:18	Q&A

	Oral Abstract Presentation
	Hannah Newnes
13:20	PhD Candidate, Telethon Kids Institute, The University of Western Australia, School of Biomedical Sciences, University of Western Australia, Perth, Australia

Title: Interrogating the functional diversity of type I interferons to generate tailored cellular
therapies for cancer

13:28	Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

Naveen Kumar

PhD Candidate, The Ritchie Centre, Hudson Institute of Medical Research, Melbourne, Australia

Title: Testing the Feasibility of Immortalised Human Amniotic Epithelial Derived Extracellular Vesicles in a Rodent Model of Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia

13:38 Q&A









13:40

13:30

Prof Dominic Wall A/Prof Ngaire Elwood **Dr Janet Macpherson Dr Rebecca Lim**

Mentoring Panel Discussion

Afternoon break with the Exhibitors Supported by Gilead



Session 8: Gene Therapies

Chairs: Dr Cheryl Hutchins and Prof Rajiv Khanna







14:50



Dr Livia CarvalhoLions Eye institute, Perth, Australia

Title: Developing a novel gene therapy for rare inherited blindness

15:10



15:15



Professor of Paediatric Neurology at the University of New South Wales, Specialist neurologist at Sydney Children's Hospital, Sydney, Australia

Title: Treating spinal muscular atrophy

15:35

Q&A

15:40



Prof Robyn Jamieson

Eye Genetics Research Unit Head, Children's Medical Research Institute, Head of the Western Sydney Genetics Program, The Children's Hospital at Westmead and Head, Speciality of Genomic Medicine, University of Sydney, Sydney Australia

Title: Retinal gene therapy: implementation, outcomes and new horizons

16:00

Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

John Hunt

16:05 PhD (

PhD Candidate, The University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand

Title: Therapeutic genome editing for severe monogenic skin disorders

16:15

Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

Ahmad Hammoud

16:17

PhD Candidate, Centre for Heart Research, The Westmead Institute for Medical Research, Faculty of Medicine and Health, The University of Sydney, Sydney, NSW, Australia

Identifying Human Adeno-associated Virus Capsids for Cardiac Gene Therapy

16:27

Q&A

Session 9: Workforce Development

Introduction by Prof Jacques Galipeau ISCT President

Chairs: A/Prof Zlatibor Veličković & Dr Jennifer Hollands

16:30

A/Prof Zlatibor Veličković

Facility Director, Cell & Tissue Therapies WA, Royal Perth Hospital, Perth, Australia

Title: ISCT Global Workforce Development Update

16:45

Q&A

16:50



Dr Jennifer Hollands

Government and Academic Liaison, Cell Therapies Pty Ltd, Melbourne, Australia

Title: ISCT ANZ Workforce Development Subcommittee

16:55

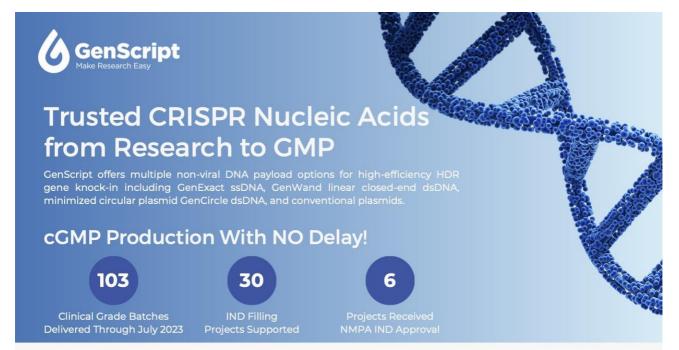
Q&A

17:10

Close

18:30 **-**19:00

Conference Dinner at Fraser's restaurant, Kings Park





Precision and Non-viral Solution for CRISPR-based T Cell Engineering

Date: August 18, 2023

Time: 14:00

Speaker: Dr Lumeng Ye, Director of Novel Therapeutic Materials, GenScript





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DAY 3, August 18, 2023

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Session 10: Cell Therapy Clinical Trials

Chairs: A/Prof Emily Blyth & Dr Tessa Gargett





8:30



A/Prof Matt Frank

Division of Blood and Marrow Transplantation and Cellular Therapy Stanford University, CA, USA

Title: CD22 CAR T cell Therapy Mediates High Durable Remission Rates in Adults with Large B-cell Lymphoma Who Have Relapsed After CD19 CAR T cell **Therapy**

08:55



09:00



Dr Gaurav Sutrave

Westmead Institute for Medical Research Westmead Hospital, Sydney, Australia

Title: Pathogen specific T cells - past, present and future

09:25

Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

Dr Tessa Gargett

09:30

Translational Oncology Lab, Centre for Cancer Biology, University of South Australia and SA Pathology; Cancer Clinical Trials Unit, Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide, Australia

Title: GD2-CAR-T therapy: Phase 1 clinical trials for aggressive primary brain tumours

09:42

Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

Dr David Morrison

09:45

Centre for Implant Technology and Retrieval Analysis, Health Technology Management Unit, East Metropolitan Health Service, Royal Perth Hospital, Perth, Australia

Title: Cranial Bone Reconstruction using Tissue Engineered Scaffold-Stem Cell Constructs

09:57

Q&A

Morning break sponsored by Cell Therapies

A/Prof Jane Oliaro

10:00

Chief Scientist for the Centre of Excellence in Cellular Immunotherapy Translation Laboratory at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Melbourne

Title: The Centre of Excellence in Cellular Immunotherapy at the Peter Mac

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Session 11: Cell Therapies in Clinical Practice

Chairs: A/Prof Emily Blyth & Dr Duncan Purtill







10:20

A/Prof Matt Frank

Division of Blood and Marrow Transplantation and Cellular Therapy at Stanford University, USA

Title: Circulating tumor DNA as an Adjunct to CAR T Cell Therapy: Predicting **Outcomes and Identifying Resistance Mechanisms**

10:45 Q&A

10:50



Executive Director, Cancer Care Services, Acting Executive Director, Clinical Services, MNHHS, Co-Chair Queensland Cancer Clinical Network Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital, Brisbane, Australia

Title: A place for place-of-care CAR T-cell therapy

11:15 Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

Dr Mark Dowling

Centre of Excellence in Cellular Immunotherapy, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre; University of 11:20 Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia

Title: Real-world Australian outcomes with CAR T-cell therapy for aggressive lymphoma

Q&A 11:33

Oral Abstract Presentation

Deekshitha Dhulipati

Westmead Institute for Medical Research, The University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia

Title: Third-party partially HLA matched fungus-specific T-cells can lead to clearance of invasive fungal infections post-allogeneic bone marrow transplant

Q&A 11:48

Corporate Lunch Session

Title: Unifying synergies: End_to-end solution for Cell and Gene Therapy delivery

12:50

Marina Rajič, CEO



Julie Jones, CEO



Alexandra Galbon, Head Ops.

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11:35

Session 12: ISCT ANZ-ISCT ASIA Joint Session

Chairs: A/Prof Zlatibor Veličković and Dr Janet Macpherson





12:50



Prof William Hwang

Chief Executive Officer, National Cancer Centre Singapore, Singapore

Title: Cell Therapy in Singapore – Lessons Learned from Our Little Island Gateway Between East and West

13:15

Q&A

13:20



Dr Janet MacphersonCytiva, Sydney, Australia

Title: Regulatory roadmap in APAC: report from the ISCT APAC industry Committee

13:40

Q&A

Oral Abstract Presentation

Dr Hamid Reza Bidkhori

Amnion Biology Research Group, Hudson Institute of Medical Research, Melbourne, Australia; Stem

Cells and Regenerative Medicine Department, Academic Center for Education, Culture and Research
(ACECR)-Khorasan Razavi, Mashhad, Iran

Title: Regulatory Inconsistencies of the Cell and Gene Therapy (CGT) Sector in Asia and the Pacific Region: Time for Harmonization

13:57

Q&A

Afternoon break sponsored by Genscript

14:00

Dr Lumeng Ye

Director of Novel Therapeutic Materials
Genscript

Title: Precision and Non-viral Solution for CRISPR-based T Cell Engineering





Session 13: The great debate

Chair: Dr Janet Macpherson and Dr Dawn Driscoll





14:20- 15:20	Panel discussion
15:20	ISCT ANZ 2024 announcement Awards and meeting close.

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