



2018 Australian Symposium on GASTROPARESIS

SYMPOSIUM PROGRAM

Saturday, 24 February 2018

Western Sydney University, School of Medicine (Building30)
Corner Narellan Road and Gilchrist Drive, Campbelltown Campus
Ground Floor, Lecture Theatre 206

8:30 AM | Registration and coffee 30 MIN

Registration desks open as we welcome guests to the 2018 Gastroparesis Symposium.

9:00 AM | Welcome to country 5 MIN

Uncle Ivan Wellington, Yuin and Wandj Wandj Elder, will welcome the guest speakers and attendees to Western Sydney University and the Campbelltown/Macarthur region.

9:05 AM | Opening address from Prof. Les Bokey 5 MIN

Professor Bokey will welcome guest speakers and attendees to the School of Medicine and the South West Sydney Local Health District. Prof. Bokey is the Foundation Professor of Surgery and Clinical Dean for Western Sydney University at Liverpool Hospital. As well as the Director of Research for the South Western Sydney Local Health District, Director of Surgery and Clinical Director.

9:10 AM | What is gastroparesis? Dr. Vincent Ho 10 MIN

Doctor Vincent Ho is a gastroenterologist at the South Western Sydney Local Health District and the head of the Translational Gastroenterology Laboratory at the School of Medicine, Western Sydney University. He will officially welcome attendees and provide an overview of the expectations for this Symposium. Dr. Ho will review the current landscape of gastroparesis in Australia and present his vision of a synergistic collaboration between patients and health professions in improving the quality of life for gastroparesis sufferers.



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9:20 AM | Updates on gastroparesis, Prof. Michael Camilleri 60 MIN

Professor Michael Camilleri, M.D., is a consultant in the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. He currently serves as Executive Dean for the Department of Development, holding the ranks of Professor of Medicine, Pharmacology, and Physiology at Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science. His research interests include clinical enteric neurosciences, gut neurohormonal control, obesity, irritable bowel syndrome, and pharmacology and pharmacogenomics. Prof. Camilleri will provide an in-depth presentation on the latest developments in gastroparesis research around the world, and the future course of its treatment and management.



10:20 AM | Morning tea 20 MIN

Join us for morning tea in the School of Medicine foyer.

10:40 AM | Gastric mapping, A/Prof. Gregory O'Grady 40 MIN

A/Professor Gregory O'Grady specialises in gastrointestinal surgery at the Auckland City Hospital and directs the Surgical Engineering Laboratory at the University of Auckland. His talk will cover the consequences for electrical pacemaking in the stomach, as well as the emergence of diagnostic techniques such as "high-resolution electrical mapping". A/Prof. O'Grady will evaluate the current role of gastric electrical stimulation and evolving 'gastric pacing' techniques to try to treat gastroparesis.



11:20 AM | Gastroparesis in children, Dr. Usha Krishnan 40 MIN

Doctor Usha Krishnan works as a senior specialist in paediatric gastroenterology at Sydney Children's Hospital in Sydney, Australia. She is also the director of motility services, and director of the multidisciplinary oesophageal atresia clinic at the hospital. Her research interests lie in childhood motility disorders, functional gastrointestinal disorders, reflux disease, and oesophageal atresia. Dr. Krishnan will introduce the challenges of gastroparesis diagnosis and management in children.



12:00 PM | Networking lunch 60 MIN

Enjoy a healthy lunch while networking with your colleagues.

1:00 PM | Patient perspective, Ashley Allum & Emily Pickett 30 MIN

Ashley and Emily are two young women living with gastroparesis. Both very active in patient advocacy programs; The Inside Story Gastroparesis Support Group and Devonport Rotary Club. They will use this unique opportunity to represent the voices of gastroparesis patients around Australia and discuss the concerns and issues expressed by patients to the audience of health professionals.



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1:30 PM | Gastroparesis management, A/Prof. Geoff Hebbard 40 MIN

A/Professor Hebbard serves as the Director of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at The Royal Melbourne Hospital and leads a research team at the University of Melbourne. His academic interests are in neurogastroenterology and physiological data acquisition. A/Prof. Hebbard will deliver a presentation that will explore the challenges of managing gastroparesis, both from a doctor and a patient perspective - including the current understanding of research in regards to effective treatment and present limitations.



2:10 PM | Psychology of gastroparesis, Dr. Simon Knowles 40 MIN

Doctor Simon Knowles is a senior lecturer and clinical psychologist, based at Swinburne University of Technology in Melbourne. He is the chief investigator and developer of an internationally renowned free, online psychological assessment and treatment service for psychological distress associated with the burden of gastroparesis. Dr. Knowles will outline the current understanding of psychological impact on gastroparesis, and provide insight into the latest treatment strategies available to improve patient quality of life.



2:50 PM | Afternoon tea 20 MIN

Join us for afternoon tea in the School of Medicine foyer.

3:10 PM | Nutrition and diet, Jessica Peters 40 MIN

Jessica Peters is a dietitian based at the Royal Melbourne Hospital. She specialises in patient care associated with gastrointestinal and metabolic disorders. Her personal interest lies in gastroparesis; having not only conducted extensive research into dietary therapy for patients with gastroparesis, but also through her private dietetic practice where she works with patients at all stages of gastroparesis. Jessica will present a broad all-encompassing talk on the management of nutritional needs in gastroparesis patients.



3:50 PM | Q & A session with guest panel 30 MIN

The guest speakers will discuss the future of gastroparesis management as well as provide an opportunity to address questions from the audience.

4:20 PM | Wrap-up and closing statement, Dr. Vincent Ho 10 MIN

Dr. Vincent Ho will take this opportunity to wrap up the outcomes of the 2018 Australian Symposium on Gastroparesis. We value all the hard work and commitment our attendees have to providing gastroparesis patients a better quality of life.

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