

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAM OF EVENTS

SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER: PRE-ASM SATELLITE MEETINGS	
TIME	ITEM
9:30 – 2:35pm	<b>BTAA Patient Education and Information Forum</b>
10:30 – 12:00pm	<b>COGNO Board meeting</b> (closed meeting)
<b>12:00 – 12:30pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
12:30 – 1:00pm	<b>COGNO Ltd. AGM</b> (closed meeting)
1:15 – 3:15pm	<b>COGNO Management Committee Meeting</b> (closed meeting)
TBC	<b>COGNO Consumer Advisory Panel Meeting</b> (closed meeting)
<b>6:15 – 10:00pm</b>	<b>COGNO Convenors Dinner</b> (by invitation)
MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER: ASM DAY 1	
TIME	ITEM
7:30 – 8:00am	On arrival tea/coffee
8:00 – 10:00am	<b>COGNO Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting</b> (open to COGNO members only)
<b>10:00 – 10:30am</b>	<b>Morning tea</b>
10:30 – 10:45am	<b>Welcome, Day 1 Program Overview: Dr Kate Cuff and Prof Mark Pinkham</b>
10:45 – 12:30pm	<b>Session 1- Novel Therapies</b> <b>Chairs: Dr Kate Cuff and Prof Mark Pinkham</b>
10:45 – 11:15am	Prof Katy Peters – Horizons in management of IDH mutant Glioma
11:15 – 11:45am	Prof Rakesh Jalali – Impact of modern proton beam therapy in improving outcomes for challenging CNS tumours
11:45 – 12:10pm	Dr Jim Whittle – Perioperative trials and a new era in immunotherapy for brain tumours
12:10 – 12:30pm	A/Prof Eng-Siew Koh – COGNO Chair update & presentation of the Jenny Chow Tribute Award
<b>12:30 – 1:40pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b> (starting with a group photo)
1:40 – 3:20pm	<b>Session 2- New Horizons in Imaging and Surgery</b> <b>Chairs: Dr Hamish Alexander and Dr Jennie Roberts</b>
1:40 – 2:10pm	A/Prof Adam Sonabend – The use of implantable ultrasound for blood-brain barrier opening for glioblastoma. Enhancing drug delivery and opportunities for predicting outcomes
2:10 – 2:30pm	Prof Ros Francis – Update on PET imaging and theranostics in neuro-oncology
2:30 – 2:45pm	Dr Jason Papacostas – Role of LITT in brain tumours
2:45 – 3:00pm	A/Prof Arian Lasocki – Non-enhancing tumour – why is it important and how do I identify it?
3:00 – 3:10pm	<b>Abstract:</b> Ms Aleksandra Kazi – MRI-radiomics to predict glioma IDH mutation – wavelet transformation for improved classifier performance
3:10 – 3:20pm	<b>Abstract:</b> Dr Tahreem Fatima – Epigenetic Resilience Score: A Multi-Gene Methylation Signature for Precision Therapy in Glioblastoma
<b>3:20 – 3:55pm</b>	<b>Afternoon tea</b>
3:55 – 5:00pm	<b>Session 3 – Debate: Stupp protocol: Hero or hinderance?</b> <b>Facilitator: Dr Joe Wei</b>

*Affirmative team: Captain: Dr Lucy Gately, Dr Laveniya Satgunaseelan, A/Prof Michael Back*

*Negative team: Captain: Prof Frank Saran, Dr Mal Ameratunga, Dr Alex Yuile*

5:00 – 6:00pm **Welcome Reception and Poster Walkaround**

6:45 – 10:30pm **Conference Dinner - including presentation of Hubert Stuerzl Memorial Education Award and BTAA Lynette Williams Awards**

**TUESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER: ASM DAY 2**

TIME	ITEM
7:30 – 8:30am	Industry-Sponsored Breakfast Symposium
8:30 – 8:45am	On arrival tea/coffee
8:45 – 8:50am	<b>Welcome, Day 2 Program Overview: Dr Kate Cuff and Prof Mark Pinkham</b>
8:50 – 10:40am	<b>Session 4 – Advancing Brain Cancer Therapies Through Translational Research</b> <b>Chairs: Prof Bryan Day and Dr Rochelle D'Souza</b>
8:50 – 9:10am	Dr Thomas Park – Developing blood-brain barrier-penetrating and tumour-targeting anticancer drug delivery systems for brain tumours
9:10 – 9:25am	A/Prof Quan Nguyen – Machine learning analysis of spatial multiomics data to understand brain cancer
9:25 – 9:45am	Prof Rajiv Khanna – Update on Phase 1/2 clinical trial of CMV-specific T cells with permbrolizumab (TCaP) for recurrent GBM
9:45 – 10:00am	Prof Andrew Scott – Novel targets and clinical translation for brain cancer
10:00 – 10:10am	<b>Abstract:</b> Dr Lucy Gately – Correlating patient and organoid response to standard of care therapies: an objective of the EMBRACE program
10:10 – 10:20am	<b>Abstract:</b> Dr Alex Yuile – CDKN2A deletion leads to altered tumour biology, increased IDH1 expression and radiotherapy resistance in IDH-mutant astrocytomas
10:20 – 10:30am	<b>Abstract:</b> Prof Hui Gan – A Phase 1 and Biodistribution study of humanized agonistic antibody against EphA3 (Ifabotuzumab) in patients with recurrent GBM
10:30 – 10:45am	Prof Hui Gan – COGNO trials update
10:45 – 11:15am	<b>Morning tea</b>
11:15 – 12:55pm	<b>Session 5 – Innovation meets access: re-imagining supportive care</b> <b>Chairs: Mrs Lebogang Thomy and Mrs Fiona Hassman</b>
11:15 – 11:45am	A/Prof Karin Piil – Integrating research and clinical practice in person - and family-centred neuro-oncology
11:45 – 12:05pm	Prof Rakesh Jalali – Survival and survivorship in adolescents and young adult CNS tumour patients
12:05 – 12:15pm	<b>Abstract:</b> Prof Katy Peters – Exploratory analyses from Phase 3 INDIGO study suggest potential mechanism of seizure control through tumour volume reduction under treatment with vorasidenib
12:15 – 12:25pm	<b>Abstract:</b> Prof Haryana Dhillon – Brain Cancer Rehabilitation, Assessment, Intervention, and Needs in Survivorship: progress and lessons from a coordinated program of work
12:25 – 12:35pm	<b>Abstract:</b> Prof Georgia Halkett – Defining the Symptoms of Personality and Behaviour Changes in Brain Tumour Patients and Their Impact on Caregivers
12:35 – 12:45pm	<b>Abstract:</b> Dr Carrie Ng – Reaching consensus on a core patient-reported outcome set for brain cancer clinical trials in Australia and New Zealand



12:45 – 12:55pm	<b>Abstract:</b> Mr Jason Martin – Synthesising evidence for exercise in adults with primary brain cancer: An updated systematic review of recent developments
12:55 – 1:35pm	<b>COGNO Network AGM</b>
1:35 – 2:35pm	<b>Lunch</b>
2:35 – 4:25pm	<b>Session 6 – Pearls and Oysters: practical aspects of neuro-oncology</b> <b>Chair: Dr Cassie Turner and A/Prof Zarnie Lwin</b>
2:35 – 2:55pm	Prof Katy Peters – Complexities of anticoagulation in patients with CNS tumours
2:55 – 3:10pm	Prof Sabe Sabesan – Access, enablers and barriers for CNS teletrials
3:10 – 3:30pm	Dr Neev Manoharan – Precision medicine and cellular therapies in paediatric and AYA Neuro-Oncology – the next frontier
3:30 – 3:50pm	Dr Lawrence Cher – The neuro- in neuro-oncology: Tips and tricks from a neurologist
3:50 – 4:10pm	A/Prof Hao-Wen Sim – Navigating mRANO and RANO 2.0 from a clinician's perspective
4:10 – 4:25pm	Q&A
4:25 – 4:45pm	<b>ASM Summary and ASM Close: Dr Kate Cuff and Prof Mark Pinkham</b> Including presentation of the Most Outstanding Oral Presentation, Most Outstanding Poster Presentation and Young Investigator Awards Announcement of COGNO ASM 2026
4:45pm	<b>Conference close</b>