

PREDICT Symposium 2025

From insight to impact: Translating prevention and early detection into practice



Tuesday 7 October 2025, 8.30am – 5.15pm

Science Gallery Melbourne

114 Grattan Street

Melbourne 3052

Time	Topic	Speaker
8.30am	Coffee and registrations	
9.00am	Welcome address: Introduction from the PREDICT network and the day	A/Prof Kara Britt
9.05am	Consumer experience talk	Dr Sandy Minck
9.15am	Importance of Cancer Prevention and Early Detection	Prof Grant McArthur AO
9.20am	Global perspectives: What can we learn from international models and innovations?	Prof Paul James & A/Prof Kara Britt
Session 1: Digital and data-driven prevention: AI, risk stratification, and next-gen screening.		Chairs/Moderator: Prof Paul James & Dr Sandy Minck
9.40am	Data needed to understand risk in the population as well as the success and reach of our existing screening platforms	Alvin Lee
10.00am	Role of AI in risk stratification including data security and implementation	A/Prof Davis McCarthy
10.20am	Data needed to influence policy makers/government for effective change	Eleanor Williams
10.40am	Health economics of precision prevention	Prof Gang Chen

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11.00am	Panel Q&A	
11.20am	Morning Tea	
Session 2: Primary care and community integration: Embedding prevention in everyday practice.		Chair: Dr Sibel Saya & Nikki Davis
11.55am	How does the lung cancer screening program work on the ground from a GP perspective. Important learnings	A/Prof Justin Tse
12.10pm	Building capacity for self-collection to remove screening barriers	Hannah Saunders
12.25pm	Data Connect: linking primary care data to improve prediction and early diagnosis of cancer	Dr Allison Drosdowsky and Dr Javiera Martinez
12.40pm	Panel Q&A	
1:00pm	Lunch	
Session 3: Panel Discussion		Chair: Prof Vivienne Milch
1.45pm	Panel Discussion Equity in action: Tackling priority populations and measuring what works.	• Prof Julia Brotherton • A/Prof Carolyn Nickson • Dr Dzenana Kartal • Dr Jazmin Eckhaus • Ricki Spencer • Prof Finlay Macrae • Liezl Oliver
3.00pm	Afternoon Tea	
Session 4: System change and implementation science: Scaling innovations from pilot to policy.		Chair: A/Prof Alison Trainer & Natalie Diepenhorst
3.20pm: Short talks about new science into mechanisms of risk or implementation	Using integrated implementation frameworks to maximise efficient allocation of resourcing and national strategic planning: PRS as a test case	Dr Rebecca Purvis
	Advancing Cancer Prevention and Prediction in Childhood Cancer Through National Collaboration	Dr Noemi Fuentes
	Pregnancy induced tissue-resident memory T cells protect against breast cancer	A/Prof Kara Britt
	Pre-implementation development of PERSONA: a breast and ovarian cancer precision prevention program	A/Prof Laura Forrest
	Preliminary data from the RoBiN study	Dr Dulashi (Anna) Withanage Dona

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4.00pm	How can we influence Policy makers	Prof Karin Thursky
4.20pm	Scaling innovations	A/Prof Nicole Rankin
4.05pm	Panel Q&A	
4.45pm	Wrap Up – Key learnings and action points	Facilitator wrap along with cartoonist images: A/Prof Kara Britt
5.30pm	Networking session – Drinks and canapes	
6:30pm	Event close	