

viral GOLD COAST 2016
HEPATITIS
10TH AUSTRALASIAN CONFERENCE

Thursday 29 September - Saturday 1 October 2016
Gold Coast Convention Centre, Queensland
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29/09/2016 - Thursday

12:30 pm - 1:45 pm

Registration

1:45 pm - 4:00 pm

Opening Plenary

Central Room A

Chairperson: Carla Treloar, Professor, Centre for Social Research in Health, UNSW, Australia

Chairperson: Benjamin Cowie, Associate Professor, Doherty Institute, Melbourne, Australia

1:45 pm - 1:55 pm

Welcome to Country

Central Room A

Craig Williams, Traditional Owner

1:55 pm - 2:00 pm

Committee Welcome

Central Room A

Krispin Hajkowicz, Senior Lecturer, Infectious Diseases, University of Queensland, Australia

2:00 pm - 2:10 pm

Government Representative Welcome

Central Room A

The Hon Dr David Gillespie MP, Assistant Minister for Rural Health

2:10 pm - 2:20 pm

My Experience Living with Hepatitis C

Central Room A

Scott

2:20 pm - 2:30 pm

My Experience Living with Hepatitis B

Central Room A

Linh Nguyen

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Treating Epidemics with Low-Cost Generics

Central Room A

Andrew Hill, Senior Visiting Research Fellow, Pharmacology Department Liverpool University

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3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

The Future of Hep C Care for People Who Use Drugs: Lessons from a Community-Based, Harm Reduction, Client-Driven Program in Toronto, Canada

Central Room A

Zoe Dodd, co-founder and Program Coordinator, Toronto Community Hep C Program, Toronto, Canada

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3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

The New HCV treatment Era in Australia: Early Lessons

Central Room A

Greg Dore, Head, Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Afternoon Tea

Exhibition Hall, Hall 1

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Cross Track Session: How can we provide better services for people with viral hepatitis? (Models of Care)

Central Room A

Chairperson: Emma Day, INHSU Program Manager, Australasian Society for HIV, Viral Hepatitis and Sexual Health Medicine, Sydney, Australia

Chairperson: Krispin Hajkowicz, Senior Lecturer, Infectious Diseases, University of Queensland, Australia

Cross Track Session: International Revolution

Room 5

Chairperson: Benjamin Cowie, Associate Professor, Doherty Institute, Melbourne, Australia
Chairperson: Lisa Maher, Program Head and NHMRC Senior Research Fellow, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

Cross Track Session: Viral Hepatitides Session

Room 6

Chairperson: David Anderson, Deputy Director, Burnet Institute, Melbourne, Australia

Chairperson: Margaret Littlejohn, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia

4:30pm - 4:45pm Report back from MOC Satellite

Central Room A

Krispin Hajkowicz, Senior Lecturer, Infectious Diseases, University of Queensland, Australia

4:30pm - 4:35pm Introduction

Room 5

Benjamin Cowie, Associate Professor, Doherty Institute, Melbourne, Australia

4:30pm - 5:00pm Hepatitis A Outbreaks in Australia

Room 6

Scott Bowden, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia

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4:45pm - 5:00pm Liver Disease

Burden and Clinical Follow-Up

during a Liver Health Promotion

4:35pm - 4:50pm Australia's

Progress Towards the National

Hepatitis Strategy Targets

Intervention Integrating Non-Invasive Liver Disease Screening in Drug and Alcohol Settings: The Liverlife Study
Room 5
John Kaldor, Professor and Program Head, Kirby Institute, NSW, Australia
Central Room A
Jason Grebely, Associate Professor, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

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5:00pm - 5:15pm Quihn Treatment Management Program: An Evolving HCV Treatment Model for People who Inject Drugs - a Community Prescribing Model in Queensland, Australia
Central Room A
Nik Alexander, Senior Program Manager - Harm Reduction Services, Queensland Injectors Health Network (QulHN), Australia

4:50pm - 5:05pm UNGASS and Beyond
Room 5
Kathryn Leafe, Executive Director , Needle Exchange Services Trust, New Zealand

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5:00pm - 5:30pm - Hepatitis Delta Virus in Australia
Room 6
Kathy Jackson, Senior Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Doherty Institute, Australia

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5:05pm - 5:20pm International viral hepatitis responses for

indigenous peoples

Room 5

James Ward, Head, Infectious Diseases Research Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, SAHMRI, Australia

5:15pm - 5:30pm One Size Does Not Fit All: Two Hepatitis B Outreach Testing Models

Central Room A

Marina Suarez, Health Promotion Officer, Multicultural HIV and Hepatitis Service, Australia

5:20pm - 5:35pm WHO and hepatitis: what the elimination agenda means for the Region (via Skype)

Room 5

Nick Walsh MD PhD, Medical Officer | Viral Hepatitis, World Health Organization, Philippines

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5:30pm - 6:00pm Panel Discussion

Central Room A

Krispin Hajkowitz, Senior Lecturer, Infectious Diseases, University of Queensland, Australia

Jason Grebely, Associate Professor, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

Nik Alexander, Senior Program Manager - Harm Reduction Services, Queensland Injectors Health Network (QulHN), Australia

Marina Suarez, Health Promotion Officer, Multicultural HIV and Hepatitis Service, Australia

Zoe Dodd, co-founder and Program Coordinator, Toronto Community

5:35pm - 6:00pm Panel Discussion

Room 5

Rebecca Guy, Associate Professor, Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

James Ward, Head, Infectious Diseases Research Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, SAHMRI, Australia

Kathryn Leafe, Executive Director, Needle Exchange Services Trust, New Zealand

Nick Walsh MD PhD, Medical Officer | Viral Hepatitis, World Health Organization, Philippines

Benjamin Cowie, Associate Professor, Doherty Institute, Melbourne, Australia

5:30pm - 6:00pm - Update on Hepatitis E in Australia

Room 6

David Siebert, Infectious Diseases Physician and microbiologist, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane

Hep C Program, Toronto, Canada Lisa Maher, Program Head and
Emma Day, INHSU Program NHMRC Senior Research Fellow,
Manager, Australasian Society for The Kirby Institute, UNSW,
HIV, Viral Hepatitis and Sexual Australia
Health Medicine, Sydney, Australia

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Welcome Reception and Poster Viewing

Exhibition Hall, Hall 1

6:10 pm - 6:40 pm

Launch of the Kirby and CSRH Surveillance Reports

Central Room A

Greg Dore, Head, Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

Carla Treloar, Professor, Centre for Social Research in Health, UNSW, Australia

James Ward, Head, Infectious Diseases Research Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, SAHMRI, Australia

30/09/2016 - Friday

6.30 am

Registration Opens

7:00 am - 8:45 am

BMS Breakfast Satellite Session - HCV Elimination by 2026. Australia leads the world

Central Room A

Moderator: Dr Norman Swan, ABC Health Report

7:00 am - 8:45 am

Panellists

Central Room A

Brent Allan, Living Positive Victoria, Melbourne, Australia

Joanne Morgan, Australian Hepatology Association & Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide, Australia

Levinia Crooks, Adjunct Associate Professor, Australasian Society for HIV, Viral Hepatitis and Sexual Health Medicine, Sydney, Australia

Mark O'Reilly, Dr, Prahran Market Clinic, Melbourne, Australia

Greg Dore, Head, Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

Andrew Lloyd, Professor, Kirby Institute, Prince of Wales Hospital, and Justice Health & Forensic Mental Health Network, New South Wales, Australia

Helen Tyrrell, CEO, Hepatitis Australia, ACT, Australia

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Plenary 2

Central Room A

Chairperson: Scott Bowden, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia

Chairperson: Gail Matthews, A/Professor, Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

9:00 am - 9:30 am

Hepatitis Transmission and Prevention: Exploring the Role that the Law Plays in Shaping Blood Borne Virus Epidemics

Central Room A

Kate Seear, ARC DECRA Fellow and Senior Lecturer in Law, Monash University, Victoria, Australia

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9:30 am - 10:00am	Deciphering Host Range Restrictions of Human Hepatitis Viruses Central Room A Alex Ploss, PhD, Assistant Professor, Princeton University, USA			
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10:00 am - 10:30 am	Recommendations for the Management of Hepatitis C Virus Infection: Australian and International Guidelines Central Room A Alex Thompson, Director of Gastroenterology, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia			
	Presentation			
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Morning Tea Exhibition Hall, Hall 1			
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Epidemiology, Public Health & Prevention - Epidemiology and natural history of hepatitis B & C Central Room A Chairperson: Jess Howell, NHMRC Post Doctoral research fellow, Burnet Institute, Australia Chairperson: Peter Higgs, Senior Lecturer, La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia	Community & Social Research - Good community responses to priority populations Central Room C Chairperson: Christian Vega, Policy & Research Officer, AIVL, Canberra, Australia Chairperson: Elena Cama, Research Associate, Centre for Social Research in Health at UNSW, Australia	Clinical - Developments in HBV Treatment and Management Room 5 Chairperson: Simone Strasser, Hepatologist, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital Chairperson: Paul Clark, Gastroenterologist, Queensland, Australia	Community & Social Research - Culture and engagement - CALD & Indigenous Room 6 Chairperson: Benjamin Cowie, Associate Professor, Doherty Institute, Melbourne, Australia Chairperson: Helen Tyrrell, CEO, Hepatitis Australia, ACT, Australia
11:00 am - 11:15 am	Prevalence of Hepatitis C among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians: A Meta-Analysis Central Room A Dr Mary Ellen Harrod, Chief Executive Officer , NSW Users and AIDS Association, Australia	Advocates in Action: The work of Hepatitis Victoria Community Advocates Central Room C Ross Williams, Community Advocate, Hepatitis Victoria, Australia Nafisa Yussf, Community Advocate , Hepatitis Victoria, Australia	11:00am - 11:20am HBV Treatment: Past, Present and the Future Room 5 Scott Bowden, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia	Engaging Diverse Communities in the Response to Hepatitis B: The Hepatitis B Community Alliance NSW Room 6 Marina Suarez, Health Promotion Officer, Multicultural HIV and Hepatitis Service, Australia
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11:15 am - 11:30 am

Hepatic Fibrosis and Quality of Life in People Who Inject Drugs with Hepatitis C Virus

Central Room A

Stelliana Goutzamanis, student (honours), The Burnet Institute, Australia

Experiences of Diagnosis, Care and Treatment among Aboriginal People Living with Hepatitis C

Central Room C

Loren Brener, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Social Research in Health, Australia

11:20am - 11:30am Distance and Disparity

Room 5

Jane Davies, Senior Clinical Research Fellow, Menzies School of Health Research, Australia

“You Know In the Community When They Heard of Something and Then You Can’t Even Be With Them”: Lived Experiences of Chronic Hepatitis B among South Sudanese in Australia

Room 6

William Mude, PhD Candidate, Australian Research Centre for Sex, Health and Society; La Trobe University, Australia

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11:45 am - 12:00 pm

Trends in Hepatocellular Carcinoma among People with a HBV or HCV Notification in New South Wales, Australia between 2000 and 2014

Central Room A

Reem Waziry, PhD candidate, The Kirby Institute-UNSW, Australia

The Prison Economy of Needles and Syringes: What Opportunities Exist for BBV Risk Reduction When Prices are so High?

Central Room C

Carla Treloar, Professor, Centre for Social Research in Health, UNSW, Australia

11:40am - 12:30pm Case Discussion

Room 5

Scott Bowden, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia

Jane Davies, Senior Clinical Research Fellow, Menzies School of Health Research, Australia
Jacqui Richmond, Research Fellow / Clinical Nurse Consultant, La Trobe University / Melbourne Health, Australia

Moderator: Simone Strasser, Hepatologist, Royal Prince Alfred

Liverzone

Room 6

Hande Noyan, Care and Support Women's Health Coordinator, Northern Territory AIDS and Hepatitis Council, Australia

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Moderator: Paul Clark,
Gastroenterologist, Queensland,
Australia

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12:00 pm - 12:15 pm

**Hepatitis B Prevalence in
Communities in the Eastern
African region: A Systematic
Literature Review**

Central Room A
William Mude, PhD Candidate,
Australian Research Centre for Sex,
Health and Society; La Trobe
University, Australia

**A Community Collaboration for
an Improved Policy Response
to BBVS in Australian Prisons**

Central Room C
Kevin Marriott, Policy Officer,
Hepatitis Australia, Australia

**Deadly Grandmothers; Proper
Way Partnerships, Supporting
Elders Working with Young
People in Community**

Room 6
Jodie Walton, BBV & STI Education
Project Officer, Hepatitis
Queensland, Australia

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12:15 am - 12: 30 am

Discussion

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Central Room C

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Room 6

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Lunch

Exhibition Hall, Hall 1

12:50 pm - 1:15pm

AHA Adherence Guidelines Launch

Room 5

12:50 pm - 1:15pm

Centre for Social Research in Health - Community Consultation

Room 6

1:30 pm - 2:45 pm

**Epidemiology, Public Health &
Prevention - Informing
prevention strategies in
hepatitis C priority populations**

Central Room A
Chairperson: Mark Stooze,
Associate Professor , Burnet
Institute, Australia
Chairperson: Lisa Maher, Program

**Community & Social Research -
Enhancing Testing and
Treatment**

Central Room C
Chairperson: Yvonne Drazic, PhD
candidate, James Cook University,
Australia
Chairperson: Janette Medforth, The
Hepatitis Foundation of New

**Clinical - Improving outcomes
for antiviral therapy for
Hepatitis B**

Room 5
Chairperson: Joanne Morgan,
Australian Hepatology Association
& Royal Adelaide Hospital,
Adelaide, Australia
Chairperson: Graeme MacDonald,

Basic Science - HBV

Room 6
Chairperson: Peter Revill, Senior
Medical Scientist, Victorian
Infectious Diseases Reference
Laboratory (VIDRL), Doherty
Institute, Victoria, Australia
Chairperson: Scott Bowden, Senior
Medical Scientist, Victorian

Head and NHMRC Senior Research Fellow, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia	Zealand, New Zealand	Senior Staff Specialist, PA-Southside Clinical School, The University of Queensland, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Australia	Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia
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1:30 pm - 1:45 pm

Associations with Hepatitis C Virus Infection among Men Who Have Sex with Men in Vietnam Central Room A Nghia Khuu, Head of HIV/AIDS Unit, The Pasteur Institute, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam	Qualitative Evaluation of the Decisions and Experiences of People Who Inject Drugs Who Received a Liver Disease Assessment as Part of a Liver Health Promotion Campaign: The Liverlife Study Central Room C Carla Treloar, Professor, Centre for Social Research in Health, UNSW, Australia	Yes We Can! Optimising Treatment and Management of Chronic Hepatitis B Based on a Disease Registry Room 5 Ximena Masgoret, Research Assistant, Cancer Council, NSW, Australia	HBV Core Promoter Mutants Activate Pi3k/AKT Signalling In Cell Culture, Promoting Hepatocarcinogenesis Room 6 Anis Khan, Postdoctoral Scientist, The Westmead Institute for Medical Research, Australia
Abstract			

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1:45 pm - 2:00 pm

Stable Incidence of Hepatitis C Virus Infection among People with a History of Injecting Drug Use in an Australian Prison Setting, 2005-2014: The HITS-P Study Central Room A Evan Cunningham, PhD Candidate, Kirby Institute - UNSW, Australia	Hepatitis B Testing and Diagnosis Experiences of People with Hepatitis B and Health Professionals Central Room C Jacqui Richmond, Research Fellow / Clinical Nurse Consultant, La Trobe University / Melbourne Health, Australia	The 'B in It' Programme - Community Based Care of Chronic Hepatitis B Patients Using a Novel Online Clinical Guide Room 5 Debra O'Leary, Project Officer, St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, Australia	Viral Kinetic are Significantly Different In Basal Core Promoter and Precore Variants of Hepatitis B Room 6 Zina Valaydon, Gastroenterologist & PhD Fellow, St Vincent's Hospital and VIDRL, Australia
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Modelling Hepatitis C Virus Transmission in a High-Risk Incarcerated Population

Central Room A

Neil Bretana, PhD student, UNSW, Australia

Hepatitis B Clinical Specialists: Responding to Cultural Diversity

Central Room C

Jack Wallace, Research Fellow, Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, Australia

Supporting Patients with Chronic Hepatitis B: Improving the Patient Experience through a Shared Model of Care

Room 5

Kristen Stone, Clinical Nurse Specialist, Storr Liver Centre, Westmead Hospital, Australia

Deep Sequencing Shows that the Presence of HBV BCP/Pc Variants Reduces the Rate of HBSAG Loss among HBEAG-Positive CHB Patients Treated with Long-Term Tenofovir DF Therapy

Room 6

Margaret Littlejohn, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia

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Hepatitis C Virus Exposure, Infection and Associated Risk Behaviours in Two Maximum-Security Prisons in New South Wales, Australia

Central Room A

Behzad Hajari, Associate Lecturer, UNSW, Australia

Engaging Affected Communities in Treatment Advocacy Campaigning

Central Room C

David Pieper, Campaigns Coordinator, Hepatitis NSW, Australia

Viral Outcomes in Patients with Chronic Hepatitis B and Correlation with Pharmacy Adherence Measures

Room 5

Nicole Allard, General Practitioner, Doherty, Melbourne, Australia

Molecular Epidemiology of Hepatitis Delta Virus in Oceania

Room 6

Kathy Jackson, Senior Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Doherty Institute, Australia

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Concordance between Missed Days of Hepatitis B Virus Anti-Viral Therapy and Virological Breakthrough
Room 5
Suzanne Sheppard-Law, Senior Research Fellow, University of Technology Sydney/Sydney Children's Hospital Network, Australia

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An Immunochromatographic Test for Measurement of Alanine Aminotransferase (ALT) at Point of Care
Room 6
David Anderson, Deputy Director, Burnet Institute, Melbourne, Australia

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Afternoon Tea

Exhibition Hall, Hall 1

Epidemiology, Public Health & Prevention - Burden of Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C infections globally and in Australia
Central Room A
Chairperson: Nicole Allard, General Practitioner, Doherty, Melbourne, Australia
Chairperson: Jason Grebely, Associate Professor, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

Community & Social Research - Stigma and other barriers to healthcare in the lives of people who inject drugs and those living with Hepatitis C
Central Room C
Chairperson: Kate Seear, ARC DECRA Fellow and Senior Lecturer in Law, Monash University, Victoria, Australia
Chairperson: Christian Vega, Policy & Research Officer, AIVL, Canberra, Australia

Clinical - Difficult Scenarios for HCV management
Room 5
Chairperson: Graeme MacDonald, Senior Staff Specialist, PA-Southside Clinical School, The University of Queensland, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Australia
Chairperson: Krispin Hajkowicz, Senior Lecturer, Infectious Diseases, University of Queensland, Australia

Basic Science - Is elimination of hepatitis C possible without a vaccine?
Room 6
Chairperson: Tanya Applegate, Senior Lecturer, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia
Chairperson: Heidi Drummer, Laboratory Head, Burnet Institute, Australia

3:05pm - 3:10pm Launch of the Third National Hepatitis B Mapping Report
Central Room A

3:05pm - 3:20pm Stigma among People Living With Hepatitis C and People Who Inject Drugs in Australia

3:05pm - 3:15pm Difficult scenarios for HCV management
Room 5
Ed Gane, Professor of Medicine,

3:05pm - 3:35pm Gaps in Experimental Systems Required for Preclinical Testing of HCV Vaccine Candidates

Benjamin Cowie, Associate
Professor, Doherty Institute,
Melbourne, Australia

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Central Room C
Elena Cama, Research Associate,
Centre for Social Research in
Health at UNSW, Australia

University of Auckland, New
Zealand

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Room 6
Alex Ploss, PhD, Assistant
Professor, Princeton University,
USA

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3:10pm - 3:25pm Global Burden
Central Room A
Benjamin Cowie, Associate
Professor, Doherty Institute,
Melbourne, Australia

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**3:20pm - 3:35pm Beyond the
'Empty Warehouse': Exploring
Barriers and Facilitators for
Reaching Those 'Next In Line'
For the New HCV Treatments**
Central Room C
Angella Duvnjak, Program
Manager, Australian Injecting and
Illicit Drug Users League, Australia

**3:15pm - 3:25pm Difficult
scenarios for HCV management**
Room 5
Olivia Cullen, Clinical nurse
consultant , Royal Brisbane and
Women's Hospital, Australia

**3:35pm - 4:00pm Modelling HCV
Elimination: Is it Achievable
What Role Would a Vaccine Play**
Room 6
Nick Scott, Econometrician , Burnet
Institute, Australia

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**3:25pm - 3:40pm HCC
epidemiology in Australia- A
tale of two cities**
Central Room A
Paul Clark, Gastroenterologist,
Queensland, Australia

**3:35pm - 3:50pm Stigma,
Discrimination & People Who
Inject Drugs: Genuine access to
new hepatitis C treatments**
Central Room C
Yvonne Samuel, Peer Support
Work Coordinator, NSW Users and
AIDS Association, Australia

**3:25pm - 3:35pm Difficult
scenarios for HCV management**
Room 5
Gail Matthews, A/Professor, Kirby
Institute, UNSW, Australia

**4:00pm - 4:25pm Myanmar
global perspective on DAAs and
vaccines**
Room 6
Mark Stooze, Associate Professor ,
Burnet Institute, Australia

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3:40pm - 3:55pm Estimating populations PWID

Central Room A

Sarah Larney, Senior Research Fellow, National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, University of New South Wales, Australia

3:50pm - 4:05pm Reducing Barriers | NZ experiences

Central Room C

Kathryn Leafe, Executive Director , Needle Exchange Services Trust, New Zealand

3:35pm - 4:25pm Case Discussion - Panel

Room 5

Moderator: Graeme MacDonald, Senior Staff Specialist, PA-Southside Clinical School, The University of Queensland, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Australia
Moderator: Krispin Hajkowitz, Senior Lecturer, Infectious Diseases, University of Queensland, Australia
Ed Gane, Professor of Medicine, University of Auckland, New Zealand
Olivia Cullen, Clinical nurse consultant , Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital, Australia
Greg Dore, Head, Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

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3:55pm - 4:10pm Estimating the burden of hepatitis B infection in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People

Central Room A

Jane Davies, Senior Clinical Research Fellow, Menzies School of Health Research, Australia

4:05pm - 4:25pm- Panel Discussion

Central Room C

Kate Seear, ARC DECRA Fellow and Senior Lecturer in Law, Monash University, Victoria, Australia

Christian Vega, Policy & Research Officer, AIVL, Canberra, Australia
Elena Cama, Research Associate, Centre for Social Research in Health at UNSW, Australia

Angella Duvnjak, Program Manager, Australian Injecting and Illicit Drug Users League, Australia
Kathryn Leafe, Executive Director , Needle Exchange Services Trust, New Zealand

Yvonne Samuel, Peer Support Work Coordinator, NSW Users and

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4:10pm - 4:25pm Panel

Discussion

Central Room A

Benjamin Cowie, Associate

Professor, Doherty Institute,

Melbourne, Australia

Sarah Larney, Senior Research

Fellow, National Drug and Alcohol

Research Centre, University of New

South Wales, Australia

Margaret Hellard, Professor, Burnet

Institute, Melbourne, VIC, Australia

Melanie Eagle, Chief Executive

Officer, Hepatitis Victoria, VIC,

Australia

Yvonne Drazic, PhD candidate,

James Cook University, Australia

Nicole Allard, General Practitioner,

Doherty, Melbourne, Australia

Jason Grebely, Associate

Professor, The Kirby Institute,

UNSW, Australia

Paul Clark, Gastroenterologist,

Queensland, Australia

Jane Davies, Senior Clinical

Research Fellow, Menzies School

of Health Research, Australia

Plenary 3

Central Room A

Chairperson: Helen Tyrrell, CEO, Hepatitis Australia, ACT, Australia

Chairperson: Susan Hay, Acting Chief Executive Officer, The Hepatitis Foundation of NZ, New Zealand

Global Strategies are Required to Cure and Eliminate HBV

Central Room A

Peter Revill, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory (VIDRL), Doherty Institute, Victoria, Australia

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We have Perfectovir - do we need anything else?

Central Room A

Ed Gane, Professor of Medicine, University of Auckland, New Zealand

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Conference Dinner - Depart from Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre
McLarens Landing

01/10/2016 - Saturday

7:00 am

Registration Opens

7:30 am - 9:15 am

Curing HCV - Leave no Patient Behind - AbbVie Breakfast Satellite Session

Central Room A

Chairperson: Simone Strasser, Hepatologist, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital

8:00 am - 8:05 am

Introduction

Central Room A

Simone Strasser, Hepatologist, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital

8:05 am - 8:25 am

Curing the Co-infected in the Community

Central Room A

Dr Phillip Read, Kirketon Road Centre, Australia

8:25am - 8:45 am

Taking Treatment to the Patient – Beyond traditional settings

Central Room A

Jana Van der Jagt, Dr, Port Macquarie Hospital, Australia

8:45am - 9:05 am

The Legacy of Resistance Associated Substitutions

Central Room A

Alex Thompson, Professor, Australian Liver Association & St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Australia

9:05 am - 9:10 am

Closing Remarks

Central Room A

Simone Strasser, Hepatologist, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital

9:30 am - 11:00 am

Epidemiology, Public Health & Prevention - Strategies to enhance the Hepatitis B and C Care Cascades

Central Room A

Chairperson: Andrew Hill, Senior Visiting Research Fellow, Pharmacology Department Liverpool University

Chairperson: Lisa Maher, Program Head and NHMRC Senior Research Fellow, The Kirby

Community & Social Research -Communities responding to hepatitis B: barriers, enablers and experiences

Central Room C

Chairperson: Jack Wallace, Research Fellow, Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, Australia

Chairperson: Enaam Oudih, Practice Manager, Multicultural Services, Manager BBV programs,

Clinical - Fibrosis Assessment

Room 5

Chairperson: Ken Koh, GP, Holdsworth House, Australia

Jeremy Hayllar, Clinical Director, Metro North Mental Health - Alcohol and Drug Service, Brisbane, Australia

Basic Science - Eliminate hepatitis B: A multi-pronged approach is required

Room 6

Chairperson: Heidi Drummer, Laboratory Head, Burnet Institute, Australia

Chairperson: Mark Douglas, Associate Professor, University of Sydney, Australia

Institute, UNSW, Australia	Manager Multicultural Gambling Health Service, Relationships Australia, SA, Australia		
9:30am - 9:45am Interventions to Enhance Hep C cascade Central Room A Jason Grebely, Associate Professor, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia Presentation	9:30am - 10:00am Cross Cultural Community Engagement Matters Central Room C Enaam Oudih, Practice Manager, Multicultural Services, Manager BBV programs, Manager Multicultural Gambling Health Service, Relationships Australia, SA, Australia Presentation	9:30am - 10:00am Non-Invasive Assessment of Liver Fibrosis Room 5 Joseph Doyle, Co-Head, Hepatitis Research, Burnet Institute, Australia	9:30am - 10:00am Global Strategies are required to cure and eliminate HBV Room 6 Peter Revill, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory (VIDRL), Doherty Institute, Victoria, Australia Abstract
9:45am - 10:00am Interventions to Enhance Hep B Cascade Central Room A Jennifer MacLachlan, Epidemiologist, WHO Collaborating Centre for Viral Hepatitis, The Doherty Institute, Australia Presentation	10:00am - 10:30am Deadly Grandmothers: Hepatitis QLD Central Room C Jodie Walton, BBV & STI Education Project Officer, Hepatitis Queensland, Australia	10:00am - 10:30am Community Assessment of Fibrosis in Primary Care and Rural Settings Room 5 Annie Balcomb, General Practitioner, Prince St Medical Practice, Australia Presentation	10:00am - 10:30am Nucleos(t)ide analogues for chronic hepatitis B: Cessation of treatment Room 6 Alex Thompson, Director of Gastroenterology, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia Presentation
10:00am - 10:10am The Use of Surveillance Systems to Improve Diagnosis and Testing for Hepatitis B and C Central Room A Margaret Hellard, Professor, Burnet Institute, Melbourne, VIC, Australia Presentation	10:30am - 11:00am Panel Discussion Central Room C Jack Wallace, Research Fellow, Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, Australia Enaam Oudih, Practice Manager, Multicultural Services, Manager BBV programs, Manager Multicultural Gambling Health Service, Relationships Australia, SA, Australia	10:30am - 11:00am HCV DAA Imports Failing to Deliver Results: SVR12 outcomes for imported DAA;s in the NT. Room 5 Matthew Maddison, Hepatitis C Clinical Nurse Consultant, Royal Darwin Hospital, NT, Australia Presentation	10:30am - 11:00am Hepatitis B vaccination in the era of elimination Room 6 Benjamin Cowie, Associate Professor, Doherty Institute, Melbourne, Australia

Cindy Shannon, Pro-Vice-
Chancellor, The University of
Queensland, Australia
Barbara Luisi, Manager, NSW
Multicultural HIV and Hepatitis
Service, NSW, Australia

10:10am - 10:20am

Simplification of HCV

Diagnostic Strategies

Central Room A

Tanya Applegate, Senior Lecturer,
The Kirby Institute, UNSW,
Australia

10:20am - 10:30am Health

**Promotion Interventions in
A&TSI**

Central Room A

Kerri-Anne Smith, Aboriginal
Hepatitis C Health Promotion
Officer, Western Sydney Local
Health District, Needle and Syringe
Program, Australia

Carla Treloar, Professor, Centre for
Social Research in Health, UNSW,
Australia

Presentation

10:30am - 10:40am Health

**Promotion Interventions in
PWID**

Central Room A

Christian Vega, Policy & Research
Officer, AIVL, Canberra, Australia

10:40am - 11:00am Panel

**Discussion - Future Research
Priorities for Understanding
Strategies to Enhance the
Hepatitis B and C Care Cascade
in Australia**

Central Room A

Andrew Hill, Senior Visiting Research Fellow, Pharmacology Department Liverpool University
 Lisa Maher, Program Head and NHMRC Senior Research Fellow, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia
 Jason Grebely, Associate Professor, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia
 Jennifer MacLachlan, Epidemiologist, WHO Collaborating Centre for Viral Hepatitis, The Doherty Institute, Australia
 Margaret Hellard, Professor, Burnet Institute, Melbourne, VIC, Australia
 Kerri-Anne Smith, Aboriginal Hepatitis C Health Promotion Officer, Western Sydney Local Health District, Needle and Syringe Program, Australia
 Christian Vega, Policy & Research Officer, AIVL, Canberra, Australia
 Tanya Applegate, Senior Lecturer, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

11.00 am - 11.30 am

Morning Tea

Exhibition Hall, Hall 1

11.30 am - 1.00 pm

Epidemiology, Public Health & Prevention - Improving access to testing and care

Central Room A

Chairperson: Annie Balcomb, General Practitioner, Prince St Medical Practice, Australia

Community & Social Research - On the Road to Elimination

Central Room C

Chairperson: Cindy Shannon, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, The University of Queensland, Australia

Chairperson: Zoe Dodd, co-founder and Program Coordinator, Toronto Community Hep C Program, Toronto, Canada

Clinical - Hepatitis C Antiviral Therapy: Reaching out in the new Era

Room 5

Chairperson: Barbara Leggett, Medical Specialist, Royal Brisbane and Womens Hospital, Australia
 Chairperson: Mary Fenech, Nurse, Queensland Health, Australia

Basic Science - Understanding HCV Transmission, Immunity and Diagnosis

Room 6

Chairperson: Margaret Littlejohn, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia
 Chairperson: Scott Bowden, Senior Medical Scientist, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory, Australia

11:30 am - 11:45 am

Using a Knowledge Translation Approach to Increase Testing of Hepatitis C Medicines

An Integrated Primary Health Care Service Is Effective at

Commitment to CD8+ T Cell Exhaustion and Loss of Memory

Patients at Risk of Hepatitis B in a Primary Health Setting
 Central Room A
 Jacqui Richmond, Research Fellow
 / Clinical Nurse Consultant, La Trobe University / Melbourne Health, Australia

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Retaining and Linking Marginalised Groups In Hepatitis C Care: A Study of The Kirketon Road Centre, Kings Cross
 Room 5
 Rosie Gilliver, Projects Manager/Clinical Nurse Consultant , Kirketon Road Centre, Kings Cross, Sydney, Australia

T Cell Potential Develops during Primary Chronic HCV Infection
 Room 6
 Mehdi Rasoli Pirozyan, PhD Student, University of New South Wales, Australia

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Responding To Notifications of Unspecified Hepatitis B and C in Victoria
 Central Room A
 Nicole Romero, Epidemiologist, WHO Collaborating Centre for Viral Hepatitis, VIDRL, Doherty Institute, Australia

Implementing the Hepatitis C Cure: The Public Health Implications
 Central Room C
 Jack Wallace, Research Fellow, Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health and Society, Australia

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The Dog at my Daclatasvir: Real Life Experiences Delivering Direct Acting Antivirals to Marginalised, Homeless, and Active Drug Users
 Room 5
 Rebecca Lothian, Clinical nurse specialist and is the Hepatitis C Treatment Coordinator , Kirketon Road Centre

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Refolding the Hepatitis C Virus E2 Glycoprotein to Enhance Immunogenicity
 Room 6
 Lilian Phu, Research Assistant, Burnet Institute, Australia

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12:00 pm - 12:15 pm

Populating the Hepatitis C Testing, Care and Treatment Cascade among People who Inject Drugs in Australia

Central Room A

Lisa Maher, Program Head and NHMRC Senior Research Fellow, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

Relationships Matter: Social Capital Theory and the Delivery of Hepatitis C Treatment in Prison

Central Room C

Lise Lafferty, PhD Candidate, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

Treatment Uptake for Chronic Hepatitis C in Australia Following Availability of Interferon-Free Treatments

Room 5

Behzad Hajari, Associate Lecturer, UNSW, Australia

Trends of Hepatitis C Virus Epidemic in Australia and North America in 20th Century: Back Projections from Molecular Epidemiology

Room 6

Chaturaka Rodrigo, PhD Student, School of Medical Sciences, UNSW, Australia

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The Cascade of Care for Chronic Hepatitis B, Australia, 2013-2014

Central Room A

Jennifer MacLachlan, Epidemiologist, WHO Collaborating Centre for Viral Hepatitis, The Doherty Institute, Australia

Cairns Hep C Free by 2020

Central Room C

Carla Gorton, HIV, Viral Hepatitis, Sexual Health Coordinator, Cairns Sexual Health Service, Australia

Recruitment and Follow-Up of People Who Inject Drugs into a Nurse-Led HCV Treatment Trial

Room 5

Sally Von Bibra, Research Officer, Burnet Institute, Australia

Modelling the Effects of Targeted DAA Hepatitis C Virus Treatment Strategies Using a Molecular Transmission Network of People with Recent Infection

Room 6

Sofia Bartlett, Postgraduate Research Candidate, The Kirby Institute, Australia

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A Survey of Hepatitis C Management by Victorian General Practitioners Post Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme Listing of Direct Acting Antiviral Therapy

Central Room A
Amanda Wade, NHMRC PhD Student, Burnet Institute and Monash University, Australia

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Prevalence and Correlates of Hepatitis C among Attendees at New Zealand Needle Exchanges: Results of the 2013 Seroprevalence Survey

Central Room C
Geoff Noller, Director / Research Consultant, Substance Use and Policy Analysis, New Zealand

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Curing Hepatitis C in General Practice: The First 60 Days

Room 5
David Baker, General Practitioner, East Sydney Doctors, Australia

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Hepatitis C Virus Core Antigen: A Simplified Treatment Monitoring Tool among those with Recent HCV Infection, Including for Post-Treatment Relapse

Room 6
Tanya Applegate, Senior Lecturer, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

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12:45 pm - 1:00 pm

Discussion

Central Room C

Prevalence of Antiviral Resistance in an Australian Hepatitis C Population

Room 5
Mark Douglas, Associate Professor, University of Sydney, Australia

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Hepatitis C Virus Core Antigen and Dried Blood Spots as Simplified Hepatitis C Virus Diagnostic Tools

Room 6
Francois Lamoury, Research Officer, The Kirby Institute, UNSW, Australia

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Lunch
Exhibition Hall, Hall 1

1:45 pm - 2:30 pm

Closing Plenary: Panel Discussion - You can't ask that! Aus vs NZ: Who will win the elimination race?
Central Room A
Carla Treloar, Professor, Centre for Social Research in Health, UNSW, Australia
Ed Gane, Professor of Medicine, University of Auckland, New Zealand
Moderator: Zoe Dodd, co-founder and Program Coordinator, Toronto Community Hep C Program, Toronto, Canada
Moderator: Andrew Hill, Senior Visiting Research Fellow, Pharmacology Department Liverpool University
Susan Hay, Acting Chief Executive Officer, The Hepatitis Foundation of NZ, New Zealand
Michael Wilson, Programme Manager, Northern Region Hepatitis C Programme, Northern Regional Alliance Limited, New Zealand
Stuart Loveday, Chief Executive Officer, Hepatitis NSW, Australia
Joanne Morgan, Australian Hepatology Association & Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide, Australia

2:30pm - 2:45 pm

Closing Remarks
Central Room C
Benjamin Cowie, Associate Professor, Doherty Institute, Melbourne, Australia

2:45 pm - 2:45 pm

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