

Research forum on chronic kidney disease

Wednesday 31st August and 1st September 2016

Darlington Centre, 174 City Road, Darlington NSW 2008

Introduction and contents

Time and Date: Wednesday 31st August and Thursday 1st September 2016

Venue: Darlington Centre, 174 City Road, Darlington NSW 2008 (Adjacent to The University of Sydney)

Cost: Free registration (inclusive of catering).

Outline

The national two-day forum will bring together stakeholders with an interest in research in chronic kidney disease (CKD) to discuss and develop novel, innovative, high-priority, and high impact research to improve health outcomes in people with CKD. This will focus on research into chronic kidney disease through four methodological prisms applicable to clinical and population research - clinical trials, observational studies, systematic reviews and implementation science; facilitated by infrastructure to support these activities in Australia and New Zealand including the:

- Australasian Kidney Trials Network (AKTN)
- Australia and New Zealand Dialysis and Transplant Registry (ANZDATA)
- Kidney Health Australia – Caring for Australasians with Renal Impairment (KHA-CARI) Guidelines
- Cochrane Kidney and Transplant

Meeting objectives

The goals of the forum are:

- To build capacity in clinical and population health research applied to CKD
- To facilitate enhanced multidisciplinary collaboration
- To promote the understanding and uptake of new methods
- To develop a shared research agenda among all relevant stakeholders, especially patients and their caregivers
- To develop and test proposals for new research projects
- To increase a shared understanding of new types of clinical trial design including pragmatic trials, registry randomised and linked trials
- To understand new ways observational studies may be used to enhance their impact upon health policy and direct patient care
- To learn about emerging topics in systematic reviews, such as network and diagnostic test meta analysis, and qualitative reviews
- To understand the principles of implementation science

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Outline of program*

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY 31 ST AUGUST 2016	
Time	Session
9:30 am	Registration and coffee
10:00 am	Welcome: BEAT-CKD Research Forum <i>Prof Jonathan Craig</i>
10:15 am	SESSION 1: INNOVATION IN CLINICAL TRIALS AND CONDUCT Chair: David Johnson Embedding trials in routine care <i>Prof Simon Finfer</i> Registry trials <i>A/Prof Suetonia Palmer</i> Adaptive trial design <i>Prof Mustafa Khasraw</i> Panel discussion
11:45 am	Morning tea
12:15 pm	SESSION 2: AKTN – AS IT IS NOW, AND HOW IT MIGHT LOOK IN 5 YEARS TIME Chair: Stephen McDonald Current status of AKTN and future challenges <i>Prof Carmel Hawley</i> Project presentations (trials) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENTICE-CKD: the Evaluation of iNdividualized Telehealth Intensive Coaching to promote healthy Eating and lifestyle in Chronic Kidney Disease <i>A/Prof Katrina Campbell</i> • Metformin to slow the progression of renal dysfunction in ADPKD <i>Dr Andrew Mallett</i> • AKTN methodology <i>Magid Fahim</i>
1:30 pm	Lunch
2:10 pm	SESSION 3: IMPROVING HEALTH OUTCOMES THROUGH REGISTRIES Chair: Jeremy Chapman The future for registries <i>Prof John McNeil</i> Frontiers in data linkage <i>Prof Louisa Jorm</i> Causal inference from observational studies? <i>Dr Armando Teixeira-Pinto</i>
3:55 pm	Afternoon tea
4:15 pm	SESSION 4: ANZDATA – BUILDING INNOVATION ONTO A TRUSTED OLD FRIEND Chair: Carmel Hawley Current state of ANZDATA and vision for the future <i>Prof Stephen McDonald</i> Using ANZDATA to minimise duplication and maximising access and outputs <i>Prof Matthew Jose</i> Project presentations (trials, systematic reviews, others) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SYNDERGY: SYNbiotics Easing Renal failure by improving Gut microbiology <i>A/Prof Katrina Campbell</i> • CKD-DELAY: a pragmatic Clinical trial of Kidney disease progression to creatinine Doubling, Dialysis or Death, using Early vs Late sodium bicarbonate therapy <i>Dr Chris Hood</i> • Cold perfusion and/or donor hypothermia and risk of delayed graft function after older deceased donor kidney transplantation (FROST) <i>A/Prof Germaine Wong</i> • Acceptance of structured nutrition intervention in routine non-dialysis CKD care <i>Dr Maria Chan</i>
5.30 pm	Forum close
6:30 pm	Forum dinner

DAY 2: THURSDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2016

11:00 am **SESSION 5: INNOVATION IN SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS AND IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE**
Chair: Allison Tong

Transformative healthcare through systematic reviews *Prof Sally Green*

11:30 am *Morning tea*

12:00 pm **SESSION 6: ENGAGING CONSUMERS AS PARTNERS IN RESEARCH**
Chair: Jonathan Craig

What research topics and outcomes matter to patients? *A/Prof Allison Tong*

Kidney Health Australia – vision for the Priscilla Kincaid Smith Research Foundation *David Morgan/Peter-Jon Hartshorne*

Success stories: impact of consumer engagement in practice and policy *Prof Phyllis Butow*

1:30 pm *Lunch*

2:15 pm **SESSION 7: STUDY PROPOSAL OPEN FORUM**
Chair: Germaine Wong

ANZSN Research Committee – Goals and Strategy *A/Prof Meg Jardine*

Project presentations (implementation)

- Supporting culturally-diverse adults with CKD to engage in shared decision-making successfully *Danielle Muscat*
- Electronic assistance in diagnosis and management of CKD and related chronic diseases in Primary Care *A/Prof Craig Nelson*
- An integrated approach to early identification and management of CKD *Graeme Turner*

3:05 pm *Afternoon tea*

3:35 pm **SESSION 8: STUDY PROPOSAL OPEN FORUM**
Chair: Suetonia Palmer

Project presentations (registry, other study types)

- Sharing our safety events in kidney disease *Prof Matthew Jose*
- The KidGen Collaboration and The Australian Registry of Rare and Genetic Kidney Disease *Dr Andrew Mallett*
- Registry of Kidney Disease *Prof Rowan Walker/Leah Kivavali/John McNeil/Craig Nelson*
- Long-term graft and patient outcomes of kidney transplant recipients with recurrent glomerular disease: an Australia and New Zealand collaborative study *A/Prof Germaine Wong*
- Australian Glomerular Disease Registry *Dr Bhadran Bose*
- Mitochondrial Genomic Variants as identifiable and treatable drivers of renal dysfunction in diabetes *Dr Andrew Mallett*

4:15 pm **SUMMARY, FEEDBACK and FUTURE DIRECTIONS**
Prof Jonathan Craig

4:30 pm **Forum close**

Speaker and Chair biographies



Prof Phyllis Butow // Prof Phyllis Butow (BA(Hons), MPH, MCLinPsych, PhD) is Professor, and NHMRC Senior Principal Research Fellow in the School of Psychology at the University of Sydney. She is Chair of the Australian Psycho-Oncology Co-operative Research Group (PoCoG) and a co-director of the Centre for Medical Psychology and Evidence-based Decision-making (CeMPED). Prof Butow has worked for over 20 years in the areas of doctor-patient communication and Psycho-Oncology. She has won many awards, including the International Psycho-Oncology Society Bernard Fox award for outstanding contribution to Psycho-Oncology research in 2009 and the Clinical Oncological Society of Australia Tom Reeve award for outstanding contribution to cancer care in 2011, and was named NSW Cancer Researcher of the year in 2012. Prof Butow has conducted a large body of research on patient and family support, patient involvement in cancer consultations and decision-making, psychosocial issues in cancer genetics, and disparities in outcomes and needs of immigrants with cancer.



Prof Jeremy Chapman // Professor Jeremy Chapman is a British–Australian nephrologist, renal physician and transplant surgeon. He has been the director of the Division of Medicine and Cancer at Westmead Hospital in Sydney since 2007. Professor Chapman was born in London, studied medicine at the University of Cambridge, gaining a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MB BChir), Master of Arts (MA) and Doctor of Medicine (MD). From 1984 to 1987, he was a lecturer and research fellow at the University of Oxford. Professor Chapman migrated to Australia in 1987 and commenced lecturing at the University of Sydney and practicing medicine at the newly opened Westmead Hospital. Professor Chapman is a Board member of the Western Sydney Local Health District, Westmead Medical Research Foundation and is Chairman, Australian Bone Marrow Donor Registry, since 1991 and Manager of the Australian National Kidney Matching Service, since 1988. He served as President of The Transplantation Society between 2008 and 2010. In 2014, Expertscape named Professor Chapman the world's leading expert in kidney transplantation. He was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 2003 for establishment of the Australian Bone Marrow Donor Registry. In 2015, he was appointed as a Companion of the Order of Australia for eminent service to medicine, particularly in the areas of clinical and biomedical research, to the development of ethical policy and practices for organ donation, acquisition and transplantation, and to renal medicine organisations and publications.



Prof Jonathan Craig // Professor Jonathan C. Craig MBChB, DCH, MMed(Clin Epi), FRACP, PhD. Professor Craig holds a Personal Chair in Clinical Epidemiology at the University of Sydney, and is a Senior Staff Specialist at the Children's Hospital at Westmead. He is Course Director of the Clinical Epidemiology program at the University of Sydney, and is Associate Dean of Research in the Faculty of Medicine. He is internationally recognised clinician-scientist, with more than 550 publications focussed on improving the health of well being of people with chronic kidney disease, especially children and Indigenous people. His awards include International Distinguished Medal of the National (US) Kidney Foundation (2010), TJ Neale Award for Outstanding Contribution to Nephrological Science, and Honorary Membership of the Italian Society of Nephrology (2004). He is a past Chair of the Steering Group of the Cochrane Collaboration, is a member of NHMRC Expert Advisory Group: Structural review of NHMRC funding, and NHMRC Advisory Group on the Synthesis and Translation of Research Evidence, a member of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee, and Medicare Services Advisory Committee.



Prof Simon Finfer // Professor Simon Finfer is a Professorial Fellow in the Critical Care and Trauma Division at The George Institute. He is a practicing critical care physician with an appointment as a Senior Staff Specialist at Royal North Shore Hospital and Director of Intensive Care at the Sydney Adventist Hospital, the largest private hospital in New South Wales. Professor Finfer is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Sydney Medical School, a past-Chair of the Australian and New Zealand Intensive Care Society (ANZICS) Clinical Trials Group. He is a council member of the International Sepsis Forum and the Global Sepsis Alliance, and a member of the World Sepsis Day Steering Committee. His postgraduate qualifications include Fellowships of the Royal Colleges of Physicians, the Royal College of Anaesthetists and the College of Intensive Care Medicine. He was elected to the ANZICS Honour Roll in 2011 and in 2012 he was awarded an honorary doctorate (Doctor of Medicine) by The Friedrich-Schiller University in Germany, an honour awarded once every 10 years. Professor Finfer's major research interest is the design and conduct of large scale randomised

controlled trials in critical care. Simon is active in forging major international research collaborations that have conducted large scale clinical trials and epidemiological research to improve the treatment of critically ill and injured patients. Professor Finfer is an Editor of The Oxford Textbook of Critical Care (2nd Ed.), the Critical Care Section Editor for The Oxford Textbook of Medicine (6th Ed.), and is currently a guest editor for The New England Journal of Medicine.



A/Prof Martin Gallagher // Martin is an Associate Professor of Medicine at Concord Hospital Clinical School (part of the Sydney Medical School) and Director of the Renal and Metabolic Division in the George Institute. He is also Chair of the KHA-CARI Guidelines Steering Committee, the group that leads renal guideline development in Australia and New Zealand. Martin's research interests include large scale clinical trials to explore ways to improve the outcomes of patients with kidney disease (esp in the setting of acute kidney injury), extending the follow up of such clinical trials to understand the long term effects of treatments, measurement of health systems and understanding the best ways to apply research evidence into clinical practice.



Prof Sally Green // Professor Sally Green is Co-Director of the Cochrane Australia and a Professorial Fellow in the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Monash University. She holds a PhD in Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine from Monash University in addition to her clinical qualifications in Physiotherapy. Sally is an active Cochrane reviewer and has several competitively funded research projects which aim to improve health outcomes by investigating the most effective and efficient pathway of knowledge from research result to sustained change in clinical practice and policy. Professor Green is a member of the NHMRC's Health Care Committee.



Prof Carmel Hawley // Associate Professor Carmel Hawley is a Founding Member and current Chair of the Operations Secretariat for the Australasian Kidney Trials network (AKTN). She is a clinical nephrologist and biostatistician and is also involved in health services improvement in the areas of dialysis and chronic kidney disease. She has been a consultant nephrologist for 17 years and is a full-time employee of Queensland Health at Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane, Queensland, in this capacity. Although trained in all aspects of nephrology, her early training was focused on renal hypertension. In latter years her primary interest has shifted to that of haemodialysis. She is currently the clinical manager of Haemodialysis at Princess Alexandra Hospital and was director of the Department from 1997 until 2002. Associate Professor Hawley has had a 20 year involvement in clinical trials including international, national and locally conducted studies. This has included the management of the clinical trials portfolio of the PAH renal department for several years as well as the continuing supervision of research staff involved in trials on which she is a Principal or Associate Investigator. Dr. Hawley is regularly involved in teaching of epidemiology, biostatistics and clinical trial design at a national and state level. Associate Professor Hawley has in the past, and continues to, contribute to relevant professional bodies. Past roles include that of Treasurer of the Australian and New Zealand Society of Nephrology (ANZSN), regional examiner for the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP) Clinical Examination, member of the Dialysis Nephrology Transplant subcommittee of ANZSN, Board Member for Kidney Health Australia, involvement in two clinical guidelines groups associated with ANZSN (biochemical and haematological targets and bone disease) and Chair of the Specialist Advisory Committee (SAC) of the RACP (Nephrology). Current responsibilities include a membership of the CARI bone guideline group, Chair of the Home Dialysis Advisory Committee and Subject Editor for the Journal Nephrology for Evidence Based Medicine.



Peter Jon-Hartshorne // Mr Hartshorne was appointed to the Board of Kidney Health Australia in April 2008. He is currently managing partner and founder of The Infinity Group of companies (established 1994), a private professional services firm in Australia, India and UK. He is also chairman of Scholaris International Ltd, an international education-based software company, and Redgum Corporate Pty Ltd. Mr Hartshorne began his career with a six-year cadetship with McKinsey and Co and went on to work for many top 100 international companies in the areas of strategy and technology enablement. Mr Hartshorne was appointed Chair of the Audit and Risk Management Committee June 2016.



A/Prof Meg Jardine // A/Professor Meg Jardine is a clinical researcher at The George Institute for Global Health. She is currently supported by a co-funded Australian National Health and Medical Research Council Career Development Fellowship and National Heart Foundation Future Leader Fellowship. She is Head of George Clinical Renal Trials, Deputy

Director of the Renal Division of The George Institute, a Conjoint A/Professor of Medicine at The University of Sydney, Deputy Chair of the Australasian Kidney Trials Network (AKTN) and a practising nephrologist at Concord Repatriation General Hospital, a University of Sydney teaching hospital. Her research has focussed on investigating the progression and complications of kidney disease and diabetes through epidemiological analyses of large scale datasets and the development and implementation of randomised clinical trials.



Prof David Johnson // Professor David Johnson PSM MBBS (Hons, Univ Medal) (Qld), PhD (Syd), DMed(Res), FASN, FRACP. Professor David Johnson is currently Director of the Metro South and Ipswich Nephrology and Transplant Service (MINTS) and Medical Director of the Queensland Renal Transplant Service at Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane, Australia. He is President-elect of the International Society for Peritoneal Dialysis (ISPD) and is an International Society of Nephrology (ISN) councillor. He has published over 680 original manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals, presented over 400 abstracts at national and international scientific meetings, led numerous large multi-centre randomised trials (including IDEAL, HONEYPOT and balANZ), and received numerous national and international awards for his contributions to nephrology.



Prof Louisa Jorm // Professor Louisa Jorm is the Foundation Director of the Centre for Big Data Research in Health at UNSW. She is an Australian leader in policy-relevant research using linked administrative health data, including hospital inpatient, mortality and Medicare data. She is a high-profile advocate for more and better use of routinely collected health data for research. From 2007 until November 2014, she was Foundation Professor of Population Health and Director of the Centre for Health Research at the University of Western Sydney, and Principal Scientist and then part-time Senior Advisor at the Sax Institute. Prior to this, she spent more than 15 years in senior positions in public health policy and service roles. She has demonstrated a career commitment to putting evidence to work in policy and practice and her work has had numerous translational impacts, e.g.: driving changes to reporting of national health performance indicators; supporting the planning of community-based early childhood and aged care services; informing national guidelines for management of acute coronary syndrome in Indigenous people; and shaping national policy regarding access to publicly funded health data for research. She has played a leading role in the establishment of major infrastructure and capacity for health big data research in Australia, including the NSW/ACT Centre for Health Record Linkage, the 45 and Up Study and the NSW Biostatistical Officer Training Program. She led the development of the Secure Unified Research Environment (SURE), a new facility that benefits researchers nationally by providing secure remote access to linked health data. In the last 5 years Professor Jorm has published more than 60 scientific papers, been awarded more than \$11M in research funding and given invited plenary presentations at 5 international and 11 national conferences. She represents the NHMRC on the international Public Health Research Data Forum convened by the Wellcome Trust and chairs the NHMRC's Data Reference Group. She is a member (appointed by the Minister for Health) of the Australian Health Ethics Committee, from 2010-2015 was a member of the NHMRC Research Committee and from 2013-2015 was a member of the NHMRC Prevention and Community Health Committee. She is a member of the Boards of the NSW Bureau of Health Information and Scientia Clinical Research and of the Australian Burden of Disease Study Expert Advisory Group. She was a Member of the Health Expert Working Group, Roadmap for Australian Research Infrastructure (2011 and 2008) and was an invited participant in the inaugural meeting of the Australia-US Science and Technology Joint Commission Steering Committee in Washington DC in February 2011.



Prof Matthew Jose // Prof Matthew Jose, MBBS (Adel), FRACP, PhD (Monash), FASN, AFRACMA, is a fulltime, academic clinician and a national leader in evidence-based clinical care of people with kidney disease. His undergraduate MBBS was achieved through the University of Adelaide and he qualified with FRACP as a renal physician in 1999. He was awarded his doctorate through Monash University in 2003 with a PhD thesis title 'Macrophages in acute renal allograft rejection'. He then worked as a clinical nephrologist and physician-in-charge of transplantation at Monash Medical Centre 2003-04. He was Director of Renal Services for the Northern Territory 2004-6 prior to moving to Tasmania where he has held the positions of Head of the Renal Unit at the Royal Hobart Hospital and Clinical Director of Medicine at the Royal Hobart Hospital. In 2011 he was appointed Professor and Chair of Medicine at the University of Tasmania and Adjunct Professor at the Menzies Research Institute Tasmania, in addition to his full-time clinical role as a Renal Physician at the Royal Hobart Hospital. He is the current Chair of the ANZDATA Steering Committee, PD Working group of the AKTN and a member of the AKTN Scientific Committee, ISN-Oceania Board and the APSN Education Committee.



Dr Mustafa Khasraw // Mustafa Khasraw is a medical oncologist at Royal North Shore Hospital in Sydney. He is also a senior research fellow at the NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre of The University of Sydney, Clinical Lead for the Cooperative Trials Group for Neuro-Oncology (COGNO), cancer research fellow at Deakin University with leading role in several clinical and translational laboratory programs. Until April 2015 he was the clinical lead of the Haematology and Oncology Clinical Trials at Andrew Love Cancer Centre in Geelong and practised as a Medical Oncologist at Geelong and Royal Melbourne Hospitals. He completed his medical oncology training at Royal North Shore Hospital in Sydney and he undertook a subsequent oncology fellowship training in the US at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Centre in New York. His fellowship was both in neuro-oncology and in breast cancer. He is a member of several research committees and the coordinating principal investigator for several multi centre clinical trials. He has been the lead author of numerous manuscripts and book chapters and he acts regularly as a reviewer for a number of scientific journals and grant review committees



Prof Stephen McDonald // Based at the Royal Adelaide Hospital, Stephen McDonald is Director of Dialysis and a Senior Staff Nephrologist at The Central Northern Renal and Transplantation Service (based at the Royal Adelaide Hospital), and Clinical Director of Renal Services for the Country Health region of SA Health. He is Executive Officer of the Australia and New Zealand Dialysis and Transplant Registry, and holds academic status as Clinical Professor in the Department of Medicine of the University of Adelaide, and Principal Research Fellow in the SA Health and Medical Research Institute. Following clinical training in nephrology at various hospitals in Adelaide, he moved to the world of epidemiological research at Menzies School of Health Research in Darwin in 1998. There he examined relationships between early kidney and cardiovascular disease and markers of inflammation and nutrition among remote Aboriginal communities. He also spent time as a general physician to a number of remote Aboriginal communities. Later he returned to Adelaide to a post-doctoral position in the ANZDATA Registry, and ultimately staff nephrologist post with the Dept of Nephrology & Transplantation Service at The Queen Elizabeth Hospital and more recently in the amalgamated Central Northern Adelaide Renal and Transplantation Service at the Royal Adelaide Hospital. He retains a substantial interest in non-metropolitan renal services in his role as Clinical Director for Renal Services for County Health SA; he also provides the renal transplant assessment service in Alice Springs and Darwin. As a clinician, his practice includes care for in- and out-patients with all types of kidney disease including acute and chronic kidney disease, people receiving all forms of dialysis and those with kidney transplants.



Prof John McNeil // Professor John McNeil graduated in Medicine from the University of Adelaide in 1971. After finishing his specialist training he completed a PhD in Clinical Pharmacology at Melbourne University in 1979 and was awarded a National Heart Foundation overseas postgraduate research scholarship to study epidemiology at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. In 1986 Professor McNeil was appointed to the position of Chair of the Monash University Department of Social and Preventive Medicine at the Alfred Hospital. Over the subsequent years, the Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine (DEPM) (as it is now known) has become one of the major clinical and public research units in the country employing over 110 doctorally qualified staff and a total staff complement of 350. Currently there are 500 postgraduate students and 170 doctoral students. The department has evolved around a core of methodological skills in epidemiology, clinical medicine, biostatistics and data-management. Much of the work of the department now centres around large scale clinical trials, clinical registries and major occupational cohorts. Professor McNeil's research activities have involved the application of epidemiological methods to problems in clinical medicine and public health.



David Morgan // Mr David Morgan BA (Hons), M Int Law was appointed Chair of the Board of Kidney Health Australia in June 2016. He retired from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in 2014. He served overseas as a diplomat and represented Australia in international trade and environment organisations. His policy experience includes helping to develop Australia's gene technology regime and other health and safety issues. From 2004 – 2009 Mr Morgan was a Visiting Fellow at the University of Melbourne. He is the author/co-author of books and journal articles on the legal, economic and political aspects of biotechnology and other trade and environment issues. Mr Morgan is the Chair of the Emorgo Foundation and a Director of the Victorian Bridge Association. He received a kidney from his father in 1989.



A/Prof Suetonia Palmer // A/Prof Suetonia Palmer is an internationally-recognised expert in the use of information to inform healthcare decisions. She studied medicine at the University of Otago and completed a Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians as a kidney specialist. She then completed a PhD in kidney disease at the University of Otago Christchurch, where her research won her a prestigious Don and Lorraine Jacquot Fellowship.

She completed a two-year postdoctoral programme in the Bonventre Lab at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School in Boston, returning to New Zealand in 2011 to teach and undertake research in the Department of Medicine, University of Otago Christchurch. Her developing research impact was recognised in 2012 when she became the first New Zealander to win a L'Oreal Australia and New Zealand For Women in Science Fellowship. Her research programme challenges the status quo in medical practice through using 'big data' to improve the quality and economics of healthcare delivery.



Dr. Armando Teixeira-Pinto // Dr. Armando Teixeira-Pinto earned his PhD in Biostatistics in 2007, from Harvard University (USA). He worked as an Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Porto (Portugal) until 2012. Recently, he joined the School of Public Health of the University of Sydney and he is part of the research team of the NHMRC Program Grant "Screening and Diagnostic Test Evaluation Program (STEP). Dr. Teixeira-Pinto

published more than 60 full text articles in indexed journals, 28 of which published in the past 5 years. He is also the author of a chapter in a Statistical book and co-authored the Technical Manual of the Dementia Evaluation Scale 2 (Portuguese version). According to Google scholar, his h-index is 17. Dr. Teixeira-Pinto's methodological research has focused on the development of multivariate statistical methods for the analysis of multiple outcomes. In particular, methods for jointly modelling outcomes measured on different scales (non-commensurate outcomes), methods for pooling information for decision-making in situations of multivariate outcomes and methods for variable selection in multivariate regression setting. His other interests includes, risk models, longitudinal data and meta-analysis methods for diagnostic testing. Along with his methodological work, Dr. Teixeira-Pinto has an extensive record of collaborative research in projects of clinical, epidemiological and health services research. The major areas of application include psychology, intensive care, anaesthesiology, neurology, nephrology, paediatrics, cardiovascular diseases, obesity and neglected tropical diseases. He maintains international collaboration with researchers from the US (University of Harvard and Indiana University), Portugal (Universidade do Porto and Univesidade Nova de Lisboa), Sweden (Karolinska Institutet), Brazil (Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais) and Angola (Universidade Agostinho Neto).



A/Prof Allison Tong // Associate Professor Allison Tong is a Principal Research Fellow at the Sydney School of Public Health, The University of Sydney. She holds an Australian National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Career Development Fellowship. She is a social scientist and has experience in using applied qualitative research methods to the area of chronic disease; to inform practice and policy for improved patient-centred outcomes.

Allison has a particular interest and experience in stakeholder engagement (including patients and consumers) in the context of research priority setting and the development of core outcomes for research. She co-founded and is on the Executive Committee of the global Standardised Outcomes in Nephrology (SONG) Initiative, which aims to establish consensus-based core outcomes across the spectrum of chronic kidney disease (www.songinitiative.org). Allison developed the consolidated criteria for reporting qualitative health research (COREQ), and the enhancing transparency in reporting the synthesis of qualitative health research [ENTREQ]; which are both endorsed as key reporting guidelines by leading journals and by the international EQUATOR Network for promoting the transparency of health research. She has taught qualitative health research methods internationally for government and university institutions including Stanford University, Mayo Clinic, and The University of Calgary.



A/Prof Germaine Wong // Professor Wong is a transplant nephrologist at Westmead Hospital, Sydney with special interests in transplantation. She is also NHMRC Research Fellow, Ludwig Engel Research Fellow and Principal Research Fellow at the School of Public Health, University of Sydney. Her main area of research interests include: transplant epidemiology, social ethics in organ donation and allocation, decision analytical modelling, health economics, population health research, and quality of life studies in patients kidney transplants.

Attendee list

First name	Surname	Affiliation
Aarti	Gulyani	ANZDATA and ANZOD Registry
Allison	Tong	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Andrew	Mallett	Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital; The University of Queensland
Angela	Webster	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Angela	Ju	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Angie	Ralph	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Ankit	Sharma	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Anne	Taverniti	The University of Sydney
Anthony	Meade	Royal Adelaide Hospital (CNARTS)
Armando	Teixeira-Pinto	The University of Sydney
Benedicte	Sautenet	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Brenda	Rosales	School of Public Health, The University of Sydney
Camilla	Hanson	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Carmel	Hawley	Princess Alexandra Hospital, University of Queensland
Christopher	Hood	Counties Manukau Helath
Craig	Nelson	Western Health, Victoria
Danielle	Muscat	School of Public Health, The University of Sydney
Darsy	Darssan	School of Medicine, University of Queensland
David	Morgan	Kidney Health Australia
David	Johnson	University of Queensland
David	Harris	Westmead Hospital
David	Tunicliffe	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Denise	Campbell	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Donna	Reidlinger	ANZDATA
Gabrielle	Williams	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Gayahtri	Raman	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Germaine	Wong	The University of Sydney, Westmead Hospital
Graeme	Turner	Area Renal Services Northern NSW LHD
Grahame	Elder	Westmead Hospital/Garvan Institute
Hugh	McCarthy	Sydney Children's Hospital Network
Jeremy	Chapman	The University of Sydney, Westmead Hospital
Jessica	Stevenson	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
John	McNeil	Monash University
Jonathan	Craig	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Kamal	Sud	Western Renal Service, The University of Sydney, ANZDATA
Karine	Manera	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Kathleen	Hill	Flinders medical Centre
Kathryn	Dansie	ANZDATA
Katrina	Campbell	Bond University, Princess Alexandra Hospital
Kelly	Lambert	Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District
Kenneth	Yong	Westmead Hospital
Laura	James	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Laura	Robison	University of Queensland, AKTN
Louisa	Jorm	University of New South Wales
Magid	Fahim	Princess Alexandra Hospital, The University of Queensland

Maria	Chan	St. George Hospital, University of New South Wales, University of Wollongong
Marie	Ludlow	Kidney Health Australia
Martin	Howell	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Matthew	Jose	University of Tasmania
Meg	Jardine	The George Institute, The University of Sydney
Michael	Collins	Auckland City Hospital
Mustafa	Khasraw	NHMRC clinical trials centre
Nigel	Toussaint	The Royal Melbourne Hospital
Pamela	Lopez-Vargas	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Peter Jon	Hartshorne	Kidney Health Australia
Phil	Clayton	ANZDATA
Phyllis	Butow	The University of Sydney
Rajesh	Raj	Launceston General Hospital
Rathika	Krishnasamy	ANZDATA
Robert	Gardos	PKD Foundation of Australia
Sally	Green	Cochrane Australasia
Shilpa	Jesudason	Royal Adelaide Hospital
Simon	Finfer	The George Institute for Global Health
Stephen	McDonald	ANZDATA, Royal Adelaide Hospital
Steve	Alexander	The Children's Hospital at Westmead
Steve	Chadban	Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, The University of Sydney
Suetonia	Palmer	University of Otago, Christchurch Hospital
Valeria	Saglimbene	The University of Sydney, Centre for Kidney Research CHW
Vishwas	Raghunath	St George Hospital

