

Agenda

Peter Mac Visit | Princess Margaret Cancer Center & The Christie / MCRC Thursday 5th March 2026

Time	Activity	Leads / Presenters	Room / Meeting point
9:00 AM	Arrival at Peter Mac <i>Building Design</i> <i>Overview of Peter Mac</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Jayesh Desai Ashlea Gilmore Dr Natalie Shepherd 	Peter Mac Foyer, Ground Floor
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Welcome & Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Jason Payne, Chief Executive Prof. Jayesh Desai 	Boardroom, Level 11
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Peter Mac Overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Jayesh Desai Ashlea Gilmore Dr Carol Ginns Prof. Sean Grimmond 	Boardroom, Level 11
Working Morning Tea			Boardroom, Level 11
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Princess Margaret Overview	<p><u>Chair: Dr. Aaron Schimmer</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Aaron Schimmer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Princess Margaret Overview. Mitochondrial RNA degradation in AML- biological vulnerability and therapeutic target Dr. Matthieu Lupien <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crosstalk Between Genetic and Epigenetic Variation Drives Cancer Plasticity Dr. Hansen He <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From RNA Biology to RNA Therapeutics in Cancer 	Boardroom, Level 11
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Research Facility Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tim Semple, Genomics Core, Lvl 11 Prof. Kaylene Simpson, VCFG, Lvl 11 A./Prof. Ben Blyth, Models of Cancer TRC, Lvl 12 A./Prof. Richard Tothill, Collaborative Centre for Genomic Cancer Medicine, Lvl 10 	Various Levels (11, 12, 10)
1:00 PM- 2:00 PM	Catered Lunch (in-room)		Boardroom, Level 11

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2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	MCRC and The Christie NHS Foundation Trust Overview	<p><u>Chair: Prof. Rob Bristow</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Rob Bristow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ MCRC's integrated model, research priorities (overview of strategy). • Rachel Chown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ International partnerships. ◦ The Christie 2030 Research Programme. • Dr. Jonathan Lim <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Delivering the vision for precision immunotherapy in Manchester • Dr Simona Valletta - Apology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ AML in Spatial Context: Mapping Tumour-Microenvironment Relationships. 	Boardroom, Level 11
3:00 PM- 4:00 PM	Optional Free-Time for Non-MMT Delegates		
3:00 PM- 4:00 PM	MMT Discussion	<p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Ricky Johnstone, Dr Anna Trigos, Peter Mac • Dr. Aaron Schimmer, Princess Margaret • Prof. Rob Brostow, Rachel Chown, Dr Jon Lim, MCRC/The Christie 	Boardroom, Level 11
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM	Priorities and Partnership Opportunities & Day 1 Wrap-up	<u>Chair: Prof. Ricky Johnstone</u>	Boardroom, Level 11
6:45 PM	Social Event & Dinner <i>(By invitation)</i>	<p>Holey Moley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dinner @ Holey Moley from 6:45 PM • Mini Golf commencing 7:45 PM 	590 Little Bourke St, Melbourne VIC 3000

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9:00 AM - 9:15 AM	Recap and Day 2 Overview	<u>Chair: Prof. Ricky Johnstone</u>	Boardroom, Level 11
9:15 AM - 10:50 AM	Clinical Genomics and Data Integration	<u>Chair: Prof. Mark Dawson</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Rob Bristow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Hypoxia and Genetics • Dr. Fede Gaiti <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Multi-omics mapping of clones, cancer cell states, and microenvironment interactions • A./Prof. Jim Whittle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ A multi-dimensional approach to brain cancer research • A./Prof. Piers Blombery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Translational genomic diagnostics in blood cancer at Peter Mac • Dr Anna Trigos <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Cancer evolution and ecosystems with multi-omics and AI • Prof. Mark Dawson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Understanding cancer cell behaviour at single clone resolution. 	Boardroom, Level 11
10:50 AM - 11:00 AM	Catered Morning Tea (in-room)		Boardroom, Level 11
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	MedOnc Research	<u>Chair: Dr. Aaron Schimmer</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Laurie Ailles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Leveraging patient-derived xenograft models to identify prognostic biomarkers and novel therapies for head and neck squamous cell carcinoma patients • Dr. Long Nguyen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Altered clonal landscape of breast cancer xenografts in response to chemotherapy • Prof. Sarah-Jane Dawson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Circulating tumour DNA: Capturing the cancer genome and beyond • Prof. Mark Rosenthal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ PCCTU Overview • A./Prof. Kara Britt <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Innovations in Cancer Prevention and Early Detection 	Boardroom, Level 11

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12:15 PM- 1:00 PM	Catered Lunch (in-room)		Boardroom, Level 11
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Peter Mac Centre Health Services Research Overview	<p><u>Chair: Prof. Karin Thursky</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Karin Thursky <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Centre of Health Services Research in Cancer. • A./Prof. Ashley Ng <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ HSRC Data for Action Process. • Dr. Julia Lai-Kwon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ ePROMS. • Prof. Leon Worth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Digital health and Infectious Diseases. 	Boardroom, Level 11
2:00 PM- 3:30 PM	Break		Boardroom, Level 11
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	<p>Research Operational Models</p> <p><i>Comparison of institutional approaches on research funding governance, internal grant review, IP management, and spin-out support.</i></p>	<p><u>Peter Mac</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Carol Ginns, Associate Director Research Operations • Lucy Pearce, Director, Innovation & Commercialisation • Andrew Dalziel, Research Grants Manager <p><u>Princess Margaret</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patrick Yau, Director, Research Operations & Stewardship • Susannah Moore, Manager, Research Planning & Operations <p><u>The Christie</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Jonathon Lim, Clinical Senior Lecturer and Honorary Consultant in Medical Oncology 	Boardroom, Level 11
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	<p>P&C Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Recruitment, retention and recognition</i> • <i>Workforce challenges</i> • <i>Talent and learning opportunities</i> • <i>Business of Science early career leadership program.</i> 	<p><u>Peter Mac</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marko De Marte, Director, People & Culture • Katy Betar, Director, Employee Experience <p><u>Princess Margaret</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anna Gordon, Director, People Consultants – Research 	Room 11.214

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3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Clinical Facilities Tour <i>Please meet back at the Lvl 11 Boardroom @ 2:25 pm</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Trials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Prof. Jayesh Desai, Associate Director Clinical Research, Medical Oncologist ◦ Marian Lieschke, Manager, PCCTU • Ambulatory Cell Therapies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Molly Robertson, Endorsed Nurse Practitioner (Lymphoma) • Centre of Excellence in Cellular Immunotherapy (CoE CIT) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Prof. Simon Harrison, Director ◦ Prof. Jane Oliaro, Chief Scientist • Cell Therapies Pty Ltd (CTPL) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Dr Bev Menner, CEO 	Various Levels (3, 1, 9)
4:30 PM - 5:15 PM	Ongoing Collaboration & Meeting Close <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Discuss potential joint initiatives, data-sharing frameworks, staff exchanges, or collaborative grant applications.</i> • <i>Closing discussion, summary, reflections, next steps.</i> 	<u>Chair: Prof. Ricky Johnstone</u>	Boardroom, Level 11
6:30 PM	Group Dinner (By invitation only)	Carlton Wine Room <i>Please meet in the <u>Peter Mac Foyer</u> at 6 pm. We will walk to CWR via the University of Melbourne Campus.</i>	172-174 Faraday St, Carlton VIC 3053