



## DTAus - Alzheimer's beyond COVID-19

**Date:** Friday 8 October 2021

**Time:** 10AM-4PM

**Location:** Virtual Zoom Meeting

### Conference Program

Time	Topic
10:00 – 10:05	Conference Opening <i>Dr. Chrys Pulle</i>
10:05 – 10:35	How has COVID affected dementia research? <i>A/Prof. Michael Woodward</i>
10:35 – 11:05	Alzheimer's Dementia Trials Update 2021 <i>Dr. Roger Clarnette</i>
11:05 – 11:35	Choosing the correct trial - Are AD Trial Protocols fit for purpose? Why do our patients screen fail? <i>A/Prof. Michael Woodward</i>
11:35 – 12:05	ADNet and Neuro Imaging & Other Biomarkers <i>Prof. Chris Rowe</i>
12:05 – 12:45	<b>LUNCH</b>
12:45 – 1:00	Dementia Trials Australia 2021 AGM
1:00 – 1:45	Vascular Dementia and LATE TDP 43 mechanisms in dementia <i>Prof. Glenda Halliday</i>
1:45 – 2:15	PTSD and Dementia - Is there a link and do we need more trials? <i>Prof. Philip Morris</i>
2:15 – 2:45	BPSD and research - What have we learned and do we need new trials? <i>Prof. Henry Brodaty</i>
2:45 – 3:00	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>
3:00 – 3:30	Dementia Pathways - Has research improved management?? <i>Prof. Sue Kurrle</i>
3:30 – 4:00	Panel Discussion - The patient journey <i>Prof. Sue Kurrle, Prof. Henry Brodaty &amp; A/Prof. Michael Woodward</i>
4:00	Closing and final comments



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**Registration Details**

DTAus Annual Scientific Meeting, University of Sydney,

8th October, 2021

Virtual Registration: \$185

Registration details: <https://www.trybooking.com/BRRTW>

## Prof Henry Brodaty

- Professor Brodaty is a researcher, clinician, policy advisor and strong advocate for people with dementia and their carers. At UNSW Sydney, he is Scientia Professor of Ageing and Mental Health, Co-Director of the Centre for Healthy Brain Ageing, and Director, Dementia Centre for Research Collaboration. At Prince of Wales Hospital, Sydney he is a senior psychogeriatrician. He published extensively in refereed journals and has a special interest in behaviours and psychological symptoms associated with dementia. Professor Brodaty was previously President of International Psychogeriatric Association, Chairman of Alzheimer's Disease International, and President of Alzheimer's Australia NSW and Alzheimer's Australia. He serves on multiple committees for the NSW and Australian governments and the WHO.



Professor Brodaty currently leads the Maintain Your Brain trial, a randomised controlled trial with over 6000 people aged 55-77 years of online interventions to prevent cognitive decline with ageing; COGNISANCE, a five-country study to co-design, promulgate and evaluate an online post-diagnostic care web-based action-orientated package to assist people diagnosed with dementia, their family carers and health care practitioners; and the Australian arm of SHARED, an international study of how social and cognitive health interact.

## Prof Susan Kurrle

**Geriatrician, Hornsby Ku-ring-gai and Eurobodalla Health Services**

**Curran Professor in Health Care of Older People**

**Northern Clinical School, Faculty of Medicine and Health, University of Sydney**

- Professor Susan Kurrle is a geriatrician at Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital in Northern Sydney and at Batemans Bay and Moruya Hospitals in Southern NSW. She is the Clinical Director of Aged Care and Rehabilitation for Northern Sydney Local Health District. She has worked extensively in the area of dementia, and has developed a memory assessment and dementia program at Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital where she also leads a Dementia Clinical Drug Trials Unit. She has developed rural memory clinics in Southern NSW and a telehealth dementia clinic in Armidale in northern NSW.
- She holds the Curran Chair in Health Care of Older People in the Faculty of Medicine and Health at the University of Sydney. She led the \$25million NHMRC Cognitive Decline Partnership Centre from 2012 to 2020 dealing particularly with research into care aspects of dementia, and managing associated functional decline. Her current research centres on frailty screening, diagnosis and management in acute hospitals.
- She currently chairs the Cognitive Impairment Advisory Group for the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, and is a member of the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission Advisory Council. She was previously the Medical Advisor to the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety.



## Prof Glenda Halliday

**NHMRC Leadership Fellow  
School of Medical Sciences**

- I am the Professor of Neuroscience at the University of New South Wales with a major reputation in the area of pathology of neurodegenerative diseases. I work at Neuroscience Research Australia as a Senior Principal Research Fellow of the National Health and Medical Research Council of Australia (nationally-competitive full-time medical researcher since 1990), Head of their Ageing and Neurodegeneration Research Programme (core area of research is neurodegenerative diseases, 11 faculty, 17 Research Officers) and Director of the Sydney Brain Bank (a national research facility funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council of Australia).



I am the Past President of the Australian Neuroscience Society (professional body with over 1,000 members nationally), a committee member for a number of international organizations, including the International Brain Research Organization (a member organization of UNESCO) and was appointed to the Academy of the National Health and Medical Research Council of Australia in 2008. I have published over 300 research articles and book chapters and two books, the most recent on Parkinson's disease. My published works have been cited over 8,500 times and my H index is 49 (Web of Science Jan 2011). My early work established the more widespread pathology now accepted as integral to Parkinson's disease, and we were the first to recognize the association between visual hallucinations and cortical Lewy body formation.

My group is also internationally recognized for work on genetic forms of Alzheimer's disease (I am part of the NIH/NIA international consortia for the Dominantly Inherited Alzheimer Network (DIAN) #AG032438-01 (US\$3m)), and my research is integral to the international Frontotemporal Dementia Research Group (FRONTIER). This group published the first survival and longitudinal analyses of these disorders and developed the first predictive clinical assessment tools.

## A/Professor Michael Woodward AM MB BS MD FRACP

**Head of Aged Care Research and Memory Clinic, Austin Health, Heidelberg, VIC.**

- Associate Professor Michael Woodward is Head of Aged Care Research and the Memory Clinic at Austin Health in Melbourne, Victoria, and an Honorary Medical advisor for Dementia Australia. He is a specialist in geriatric medicine with major interests in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease (AD) and other dementias. He is Principal Investigator for numerous research trials of new therapies for AD and related disorders. He is Past President of the AC4R – the Australasian Consortium of Centres for Clinical Cognitive Research that brings together researchers into therapeutic agents for dementia. He was a member of the Alzheimer's Australia Victoria Board, being appointed their chief medical advisor and chairing their research foundation, which administers over \$2 million of research funding.
- Michael Woodward's publication record includes over 120 original research and review articles. He has been awarded his MD on the overlap between the dementia syndromes. More recent research interests have focussed on characterizing the frontal variant of Alzheimer's Disease. He is a Fellow of the Australian Association of Gerontology (AAG), the Australian and New Zealand Society for Geriatric Medicine, the Australian Wound Management Association (AWMA) and the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP) and has long served each of these professional bodies, including becoming President of AWMA and AAG (Vic) and chairing the Committee for Physician Training that oversaw the training of all RACP trainees.



### Dr Roger M Clarnette, MB BS PhD FRACP

**Geriatrician in the Department of Community and Geriatric Medicine, Fremantle Hospital and Health Service, WA. Other appointments:**

- Medical Director, Australian Alzheimer's Research Foundation.
- Clinical Associate Professor, Medical School, University of Western Australia.
- Senior Sessional Member, State Administrative Tribunal, WA.
- Deputy Head of Department, Geriatric Medicine, Fiona Stanley Fremantle Hospitals Group, Western Australia.



### Professor Christopher Rowe BMBS, FRACP, MD, FAANMS

**Director of Molecular Imaging Research at Austin Health and the University of Melbourne, VIC.**

**Other appointments:**

- Christopher Rowe is a nuclear medicine physician and neurologist, with over 20 years of experience in dementia research and patient care.
- He is the Principle investigator and Director of the Australian Dementia Network (ADNeT) established across the nation in late 2018 with funding from the Federal Government through the NHMRC National Institute of Dementia Research and philanthropic donors. His research focus is molecular brain imaging of neurodegenerative diseases, particularly Alzheimer's disease, for better understanding, earlier more accurate detection, and to facilitate development of early therapeutic interventions.
- He is a 2019 Highly Cited Researcher (top 1% world-wide for neuroscience) and has received international awards for his work including the US Society of Nuclear Medicine Kuhl-Lassen Award for Outstanding Contribution to Brain Imaging and the Christopher Clark Award for advancing human amyloid imaging.



### Prof Philip LP Morris AM

**MBBS, BSc(med), PhD, FRANZCP, FACHAM (RACP), ABPN**

- Prof Morris AM has medical qualifications MBBS (Hons), BSc(med) (Hons), and PhD. He is qualified in psychiatry and addiction medicine in Australia and is a Fellow of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (FRANZCP) and a member of the Faculty of Forensic Psychiatry, the Faculty of Psychiatry of Old Age, and the Faculty of Adult Psychiatry. He is a Fellow of the Australasian Chapter of Addiction Medicine (FACHAM) (RACP). He is Board Certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in general and geriatric psychiatry.
- He has a private psychiatric practice on the Gold Coast specializing in the psychiatry of older age, memory and cognitive disorders, medico-legal assessments, and addiction medicine.
- Dr Morris is visiting professor of psychiatry at Bond University. He is President of the Australian and New Zealand Mental Health Association, and President of the National Association of Practising Psychiatrists. He is a Distinguished Fellow, Treasurer and Board Director of the Pacific Rim College of Psychiatrists. He is a member of the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Reference Committee. He is a senior medical advisor to the Department of Veterans' Affairs

