

PROGRAM – 2025 SDA CONFERENCE: CULTIVATING PERFORMANCE

DAY 1 OF CONFERENCE (Sunday 16 th November)		
From the L	ab	
8.00am- 8.45am	Registration: Coffee & Connect	
8.45am – 9.10am		
Helen O'Connor Lecture in Honour 9.50am		
9.55am- 10.45am	Keynote: REDs/LEA: What's the latest in the REDs debate? Dr Trent Stellingwerff	
10.45am- Stretch & Snack Break (20mins) 11.05am		
11.05am – 12.05pm	 Food Body Brain: Athlete Wellbeing: 1. The Influence of Food on Brain, Mood & Mental Health, Dr Wolfgang Marx, Deakin University Food & Mood Centre 2. The Role of the Microbiome & Mental Health, Professor Matt Cooke, La Trobe University 3. Body Empowerment in Sporting Environments, Fiona Sutherland and Ali Disher 	
12.05pm- 12.25pm	Athletic Disordered Eating (ADE) Screening Tool Mini Masterclass Dr Georgie Buckley and Dr Regina Belski	
12.25pm – 1.20pm	Lunch Poster Session	
1.20pm – 2.45pm	 The Female Athlete: New research across the lifespan: Dr Anthea Clarke (Ex Sci, La Trobe) – Female Athlete's Key Considerations Dr Alannah McKay (ACU) – The Female Athlete and Iron Dr Rhiannon Snipe & PhD student Isobel Cotham (Deakin Uni) – Menstrual Cycles & Management of Symptoms Case Studies & Examples: Sports Doctor: Dr Pip Inge – Postpartum Return to Sport 	
2.45pm – 3.05pm	Abstract Presentations x 3 (20 mins)	
3.05pm – 3.25pm	Stretch & Snack Break (20 mins)	
3.25pm- 4.25pm	 Supplements: 1. AIS Framework Update: Professor Gary Slater, Sports Nutrition Lead, Australian Institute of Sport & co-presenter Naomi Speers from SIA (30 mins) 2. Omega-3 Research, Dr Michael Macartney, University of Wollongong (20 mins) Q & A (10 mins) 	
4.20pm – 4.40pm	Abstract Presentations x 3 (20 mins)	
4.40pm- 4.45pm	Day 1 Closing Session	



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From the Lab ...

5.00pm-	SDA Excellence Awards Event
7.30pm	Incl. Abstract Awards
	Cocktail Function
	Ticket included in Conference registration

DAY 2 OF CONFERENCE (Monday 17th November)

7.00am-	Morning social walk (optional)				
7.45am	Meet outside ACU, 115 Fitzroy Pde, where we will h	nead towards Fitzroy Gardens			
7.45am	Registration opens: Coffee & Connect				
8.00am- 8.30am	SDA AGM - F2F & online via Zoom				
8.45am – 9.00am	Welcome to all				
9.00am – 9.40am	REDs/LEA: Through the lens of the practitioner Dr Trent Stellingwerff				
9.40am – 10.20am	 Artificial Intelligence 1. Data & Future Trends – Professor Clair Sullivan 2. Integrating Al into Practice – Jessica Francis 				
10.20am –	- Stretch & Snack Break				
10.40am					
10.40am- 11.30am	 Practitioner Journeys: The Cross-Over Between Alicia Edge, Compeat Performance (20 mins) Taryn Richardson, Dietitian Approved (20 mins) Q&A with Alicia & Taryn (10 mins) 	-			
11.30am-	Advocacy in the Private Practice & High Perform	ance Settings			
12.10pm	Expert Panel Discussion.1. Ethan Said2. Dr Alice McNamara3. Kellie Hogan4. Simone Allen				
12.10pm –	Lunch				
1.10pm 1.10pm – 2.30pm (80mins)	 Private Practice: Building a Business: 1. Referral Network & Social Media: Converting audience members to clients - Chloe McLeod (20 mins) 2. Combating imposter syndrome – Tanya Cooper (20 mins) 	Multi-Disciplinary Practice in the High Performance Environment: Case Studies Panel Discussion 			



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	 Social media: Sharing credible and engaging nutrition content on social media - Emily Deniss (20 mins) Nurturing the Student transition into private practice – Sally Anderson & recent graduate Emilia Ahsan (20 mins) 		
2.30pm – 3.00pm	Stretch & Snack Break (20mins)		
3.00pm- 4.30pm (90mins)	 Sports Nutrition Innovations: What is on the horizon: Gut Personalised Nutrition & the Microbiome Sustainability Practitioner-led Research 	Student Careers Summit Students interested in sports nutrition will meet and hear from Sports Dietitians across a range of exciting fields, including: private practice, elite sports, industry, research, gyms, media, and food service. The Student Careers Summit can be purchased as a stand alone session free for all students – whether attending the conference or not.	
4.30pm- 5.00pm	Day 2 Closing Session		
	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CDP POINTS: One day attendance: 40 points Two day attendance: 80 points		

PRE CONFERENCE (Saturday 15th November, afternoon)

1.00pm - 5.00pm	Pre-Conference Workshop The Practicalities of Injury Management: Skills for High Performance and Private Practice Settings Details to follow.
	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CDP POINTS: Half day attendance: 25 points