



IRSAASM 2026

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Brisbane Convention Centre

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PROGRAM

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SUNDAY 19 JULY 2026
WELCOME FUNCTION @ LINA ROOFTOP FROM 6.00PM

DAY ONE
MONDAY 20 JULY 2026

TIME				
8.00am	Registration			
8.30am – 10.30am	SESSION 1			
PLENARY SESSION - TAME/MSK Boulevard Auditorium Moderators: Dr Greg Tarr & Dr Arani Halder				
8.30am – 9.00am	Welcome & opening Associate Professor Sam Davis & Dr Paul Leschke			
9.00am – 9.30am	Inflammatory embolisation - mechanism and evidence Professor Marc Sapoval			
9.30am – 10.00am	Genicular artery embolisation: where do we stand now? Professor Jin Woo Choi			
10.00am – 10.15am	Shoulder embolisation - early Australasian experience and evolving technique Dr Lachlan Inch			
10.15am – 10.30am	Limitations of MSK embolisation Dr Brendon May			
10.30am – 11.00am	Morning Tea & Industry Exhibition			
11.00am – 12.30pm	SESSION 2			
BOULEVARD AUDITORIUM		ROOM B1		ROOM B2
PLENARY — Recent HPB Advances Moderators: Dr Mark Paxton & Associate Professor Sam Davis		FELLOWS DAY Moderator: Dr Greg Tarr		WORKSHOP 1
11.00am	Spyglass - from below Dr Shwan Karim	11.00am	Regional nerve blocks Dr Allan Hurley	Penumbra Don't Just Anti-coagulate—Aspirate: Interventional Radiologist's fight Against Deep Venous Disease Presented by Dr Andrew Wigham, Associate Professor Muddassir Rashid & Dr Shueh Lim
11.15am	Spyglass - from above Associate Professor Muddassir Rashid	11.20am	Analgesia and PCA Dr Allan Hurley	
11.30am	CRC liver metastases - a liver surgeons perspective and ablation Dr Dan Kilburn	11.40am	Closure devices: what works, what fails, when to convert Dr Arani Halder	
11.45am	Budd Chiari and DIPS: The Singapore General Hospital Approach Dr Kam Mangat	12.00noon	The deteriorating IR patient Dr Dhruv Patel	
12.00noon	Liver augmentation: Recent updates Associate Professor Diederick De Boo			
12.15pm	Update on TIPS in Australia Dr Tim Hanrahan			

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12.30pm – 1.30pm	Lunch & Industry Exhibition			
1.30pm – 3.00pm	SESSION 3			
PLENARY – Liver Directed Therapy Moderators: Dr Matt van Wyk & Associate Professor Jim Koukounaras		FELLOWS DAY – Peri-procedural Concepts Moderator: Dr Mark Paxton		
1.30pm	SIRT: Current evidence and treatment strategies Professor Jin Woo Choi	1.30pm	Anti-thrombotics Mr Brett Coghill	
2.00pm	Optimising Liver Ablation Associate Professor Muddassir Rashid	1.50pm	Diabetes - periprocedural management Dr Alex Matthews	
2.15pm	TACE - Current Best Practise Dr Andrew Owen	2.10pm	Antibiotics - periprocedural recommendations Mr Brett Coghill	
2.30pm	What's new in Y-90 Dosimetry Dr Shaun Samuelson	2.30pm	Coagulopathy and correction Dr Ben Cerutti	
2.45pm	Combining LDT with Immunotherapy - future directions Dr Mark Nalder			
3.00pm – 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea & Industry Exhibition			
3.30pm – 5.00pm	SESSION 4			
PLENARY – Ablation Moderators: Dr Nigel Mott & Associate Professor Nick Brown		FELLOWS DAY – Periprocedural Patient Management Moderator: Dr Mark Paxton		
3.30pm	mCRC: COLLISION and beyond Dr Goran Mitreski	3.30pm	Getting the most out of your radiographer Mr Brendan McMahon	
3.45pm	Renal Ablation Dr Will Ormiston	3.50pm	Stroke for the IR - how to manage Dr Greg Lock	
4.00pm	Lung: Lessons Learnt Associate Professor Karin Steinke	4.10pm	Radial access for visceral intervention Dr Ally Slater	
4.15pm	Thyroid: Patient Selection Dr Matt Lukies	4.30pm	Vascular access disasters Dr Will Ormiston	
4.30pm	Thyroid: Technique, tips and tricks Dr Dennis Parhar			
4.45pm	Bone & Soft Tissue Ablation Dr Hannah Ireland			
5.00 pm	Close of Day 1			
5.00pm - 6.00pm	Happy Hour			



DAY TWO

TUESDAY 21 JULY 2026

TIME					
9.00am – 10.30am		SESSION 5			
BOULEVARD AUDITORIUM			ROOM B1		ROOM B2
PLENARY — Venous & Endovascular Moderators: Dr Steve Merrilees			MEDICAL STUDENTS — Medical Students Session Moderators: Associate Professor Sam Davis		
9.00am	C-TRACT v ATTRACT Professor Akhilesh Sista	9.00am	Radiology - Grass Roots Associate Professor Craig Hacking		
		9.15am	Day as an IR Dr Matt Seager		
9.30am	DVT Dr Dhruv Patel	9.30am	INR - Life above the Clavicles Dr Kate Mahady		
9.45am	Renal denervation Professor Marc Sapoval	9.45am	Radiology research for Medical Student and Junior Doctors Dr Karen Dobeli		
10.00am	Thyroid embolisation Dr Charlie Osborne	10.00am	IR in Private Practice Dr Dave Eriksen		
10.15am	BEST Associate Professor Muddassir Rashid	10.15am	Q & A Session Panel		
10.30am – 11.00am		Morning Tea & Industry Exhibition			
11.00am – 12.30pm		SESSION 6			
PLENARY — Registrar & IR Fellow Research Presentations Moderators: Professor Akhilesh Sista & Dr Steve Merrilees			MEDICAL STUDENTS — Medical Students / JMO: Research Presentations Moderators: Professor Marc Sapoval & Dr Greg Tarr		WORKSHOP 2
11.00am	Does this Need Embolisation? Active Arterial Bleeding at Anatomically Compressible Sites Dr Salam Findakly	11.00am	Favourable splenic function outcomes following Splenic Artery Embolisation for blunt splenic injury: a retrospective single-centre cohort study at a level 1 trauma centre Dr Nadil Munasinghe		Boston Scientific TheraSphere targeted radioembolisation therapy
11.09am	Cell-impermeable endoprosthesis for symptomatic malignant superior vena cava syndrome: Technical and Clinical Outcome Dr Clement Leung	11.09am	Radiological Predictive Factors of Angioembolisation in Rectus Sheath Haematoma Dr Hugh Schroder		Presented by Associate Professor Andrew Holden and Dr Matthew Seager
11.18am	Direct Glue Embolisation of Type II Endoleaks: Outcomes from a Single-Centre Cohort Dr Erika Stark	11.18am	Litigation in Australian Interventional Radiology: Key Themes and Lessons Dr Parth Gulati		
11.27am	First in-vivo proof of concept of controlled photo-activation of a novel liquid embolic agent Dr Jane Song	11.27am	Effect of Gelfoam Tract Occlusion on Clinically Significant Haematoma Following Percutaneous Renal Biopsy Dr Andre Nappa		
11.36am	Diagnostic Accuracy of Brush Cytology, Forceps Biopsy and Tandem Sampling for Biliary Strictures at Percutaneous Transhepatic Cholangiography Dr Ishita Patel	11.36am	Bridging the interventional radiology knowledge gap among medical interns: A mixed methods evaluation of a dedicated intern teaching session Dr Stephen Ngo		
11.45am	Building up from below: Distal-first deployment to reduce endograft migration after multi-device TEVAR Dr Kelly Feng	11.45am	Predictors of medical student interest in pursuing a career in interventional radiology: A survey of knowledge, exposure, training pathway awarene Dr Yunhwan Kim		
11.54am	Impact of Percutaneous Cholecystostomy Timing on Outcomes in Acute Cholecystitis Dr Elisa Tran	11.54am	Predictors of Long-Term Clinical Success following Uterine Artery Embolisation (UAE) for Pure Adenomyosis Dr Ritwik Rattan		

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12.03pm	Image-guided microwave ablation or surgical resection of localised RCC - which is better? Dr Kai Zheong Lim	12.03pm	Safety, Efficacy, and Complications of Thyroid Nodule Ablation in Children and Adolescents: A Scoping Review Dr Rahul Kakria	
12.12pm	Ethanol versus N-Butyl-2-Cyanoacrolate for portal vein embolization prior to major hepatectomy: a retrospective cohort study Dr Rebecca Spouge	12.12pm	Prospective Research in Interventional Radiology in Australia and New Zealand: Current Gaps and a Strategy for Change Dr Fathimath Zaha Ikram	
12.21pm	CT-guided irreversible electroporation and intratumoral administration of CpG and anti-PD-1 checkpoint inhibition as a means of in vivo vaccination in oligometastatic pancreatic cancer patients - the PANFIRE 3 trial Dr Bart Geboers	12.21pm	Tract Sealing Techniques in Percutaneous Liver Biopsy: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis Comparing Embolic Agents and Thermal Methods Dr Eimear Kyle	
12.30pm – 2.00pm	Lunch & Industry Exhibition plus AGM in the Boulevard Auditorium			
2.00pm – 3.30pm	SESSION 7			
PLENARY - Pulmonary embolus Moderators: Dr Luke Baker & Associate Professor Sam Davis		INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY NURSES Moderators: Ms Kate Robinson & Ms Laarni de las Alas		FLOW MODEL SESSION
2.00pm	Current evidence in pulmonary embolus management Professor Akhilesh Sista	2.00pm	Nurse Practitioner Medical Imaging Mr Scott Worthy	
		2.12pm	Balloon Pulmonary Angioplasty Ms Caroline Donoghue	
2.30pm	PERT - Who we treat and when Associate Professor Anna Dunn	2.24pm	Enhancing Clinical Handover in IR Ms Ashleigh Scully	
2.45pm	Thrombectomy Complications Dr Matt Van Wyk	2.36pm	RIG complications presenting to emergency Ms Michelle Ebzery	
3.00pm	High Risk PE Dr Goran Mitreski	2.48pm	Thrombectomy case study Ms Kristy Punch	
3.15pm	Hospital Resources and Data Collection Associate Professor Rob Boots	3.00pm	Benefits of exercise in strengthening core to battle fatigue in IR Ms Bethany Constantine	
		3.12pm	Post graduate medical imaging courses for nurses Ms Lana Van Raay	
3.30pm - 4.00pm	Afternoon Tea & Industry Exhibition			
4.00pm – 5.30pm	SESSION 8			
PLENARY – Shaping the IR Workforce: Recognition, Grandparenting and Accredited Training Moderator: Dr Matt Lukies		RADIOGRAPHERS Moderators: Mr Tim Cato & Mr Dean Davies		
4.00pm	IR training program Dr Brendan Buckley	4.00pm	SIRT vs TACE Mr Braden Richardson	
4.15pm	Accreditation update Associate Professor Diederick De Boo	4.15pm	AngioCT and a Type 3 Endoleak Ms Carmel McErlean	
4.30pm	IRC update and Grandparenting Dr Kwang Chin	4.30pm	When Standard TIPS Access Isn't Possible: What Are the Options Ms Julie Zhang	
		4.45pm	Knowledge gained from Pulmonary Thrombectomy ECMO Simulation Mr Trent Atkinson	
5.00pm	Panel discussion	5.00pm	Endovascular treatment of lower limb DVT (RBWH Case series) Ms Megan Mooney	
		5.15pm		
5.30pm	Close of Day 2			
6.30pm	IRSA ASM DINNER at Queensland Art Gallery			

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WEDNESDAY 22 JULY 2026

TIME					
9.00am – 10.30am		SESSION 9			
BOULEVARD AUDITORIUM		ROOM B1		ROOM B2	
PLENARY — Men's Health Moderators: Dr Greg Tarr & Dr Will Ormiston		PRACTICE DEVELOPMENT			
9.00am	PAE 2026 - evidence base, patient selection, and contemporary clinical positioning Professor Marc Sapoval	9.00am	Workforce distribution Dr Duncan Walker		
		9.15am	Solo practice Dr Brendon May		
9.30am	PAE in practice: anatomy, access strategy and tips and tricks Dr Lisa Debono	9.30am	Corporate practice Dr Dave Eriksen		
9.45am	BPH in 2026 - where does embolisation sit alongside medical and surgical therapy? Associate Professor John Yaxley	9.45am	IR group practice Dr Lachlan Inch		
10.00am	Haemorrhoid embolisation Dr Akshay Kohli	10.00am	Billings and Health fund interface Dr Manfred Spanger		
10.15am	Priapism Dr Arani Halder	10.15am	Dealing with complications Dr Liz Crowe		
10.30am – 11.00am		Morning Tea & Industry Exhibition			
11.00am – 12.30pm		SESSION 10			
PLENARY — Women's Health Moderators: Dr Ally Slater & Dr Caitlin Farmer		GENERAL RESEARCH ORAL PRESENTATIONS Moderators: Dr Mark Paxton		WORKSHOP 3	
11.00am	Complex OVE Dr Eisen Liang	11.00am	Original Research: Formaldehyde is released from n-butyl cyanoacrylates, Australian TGA-registered venous occlusion devices Dr Joseph Grace	Canon Beyond Imaging: How Angio-CT is Enabling a New Era of Interventional Procedures Presented by Dr Julian Nguyen, Dr Konrad Schultz and Dr Nick D'Arcy	
11.15am	Post embolisation syndrome after UFE Professor Warren Clements	11.10am	Clinical, functional, and quality of life outcomes through 90 days in the STORM-PE RCT for mechanical thrombectomy with anticoagulation vs anticoagulation alone in acute intermediate-high risk PE patients Dr Brendan Buckley		
11.30am	What gynaecologists wants Dr Nim Cabraal	11.20am	A 13-Year State-Wide Review of IVC Filter Fracture: Findings from 1,140 Retrieved Devices in Western Australia Dr Matt van Wyk		
11.45am	Adenomyosis Dr Nigel Mott	11.30am	One-Year Functional Outcomes and Quality of Life in Pulmonary Embolism Patients Treated With Computer Assisted Vacuum Thrombectomy Using the 16F Catheter System: STRIKE-PE Subanalysis Dr Andrew Wigham		
12.00pm	How to manage nutcracker Dr Eisen Liang	11.40am	Governance and quality care for patients after traumatic splenic injury treated with splenic artery embolisation (SAE) in Australia and New Zealand: a multi-society Delphi consensus guideline Professor Warren Clements		
12.15pm	Fallopian recanalisation Dr Ally Slater				
12.30pm – 1.30pm		Lunch & Industry Exhibition			

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1.30pm – 3.00pm	SESSION 11
PLENARY SESSION - Debate Session Boulevard Auditorium Moderators: Associate Professor Sam Davis & Dr Brendan Buckley	
1.30pm	HCC - SIRT vs Ablation Professor Jin Woo Choi and Associate Professor Muddassir Rashid
2.00pm	PERT Teams are Essential for managing PE Professor Akhilesh Sista and Dr Anna Dunn
2.30pm	AI will transform IR in the next 5 years Professor Marc Sapoval and Dr Stephen Merrilees
3.00pm – 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea & Industry Exhibition
3.30pm – 5.00pm	SESSION 12
PLENARY SESSION - Case Discussion with Audience Participation Boulevard Auditorium Moderator: Dr Paul Leschke	
5.00pm	Meeting close
5.00pm – 6.30pm	'RAISE A GLASS' - Awards and Happy Hour

