

ACT Art of Anaesthesia ACE Meeting

Saturday 24 October 2026
National Convention Centre Canberra

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8.45am-9am	Opening and welcome - Bradman Theatre	
8.45-8.50am	**Welcome address**	*Dr Niketh Kuruvilla and Dr Jess Gray* *Co-convenors*
8.50-9am	**President's address**	*Dr Vida Viliunas OAM* *ASA President*
9-10.30	Concurrent session 1	

Bradman Theatre		Derwent Room	
Plenary session: Where is major Upper GI heading?		**Acute severe behavioural disturbance (ASBD)**	
AI and major cancer surgery: Predicting risk and optimising care	*Dr Hilmy Ismail*	**Emergency response workshop**	*Dr Vida Viliunas*
Anaesthesia for the occasional upper GI anaesthetist	*Dr Anneliese McBride*		
Modern surgical innovations in oesophageal surgery and their impact on perioperative care	*Dr Soon Lau*		

10.30-11am	Morning Tea – Ballroom	
11am-12.30pm	Plenary session 2 Addressing an ageing population - How can perioperative medicine help us move forward? Bradman Theatre	
	Perioperative shared decision-making: Who, what, why?	*Dr Debra Leung*
	Postoperative hypotension: Opportunities and unknowns	*Dr Ned Douglas*
	Beyond the recovery room: Building an enhanced postoperative care unit (EPOC)	*Dr Ian Richardson*
12.30-1.30pm	Lunch – Ballroom	
1.30-3pm	Concurrent session 3	

Bradman Theatre	Murray Room	Swan Room
Gut instinct – ADVANCE: Contemporary practice in upper gastrointestinal surgery *Dr Sarah Lee* *Dr Harsh Dubey* *Dr Zhing (Zee) Lim*	**Anaphylaxis management** Emergency response workshop *Dr Melinda Ford*	**Can't intubate, can't oxygenate** Emergency response workshop *Dr Shruti Krishnan*



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3-3.30pm	Afternoon Tea – Ballroom		
3.30-5pm	Concurrent session 4		
	Bradman Theatre	Murray Room	Swan Room
	M&M session *Dr Andrew Deacon* *Dr Liam Gleeson*	**Anaphylaxis management** Emergency response workshop *Dr Melinda Ford*	**Can't intubate, can't oxygenate** Emergency response workshop *Dr Shruti Krishnan*
5pm	Close		