

# CHALLENGES AND CHOICES IN

## OBSTETRIC ANAESTHESIA

3-4 May 2023 ♦ ICC Sydney ♦ #OBSIG23SYD

### WEDNESDAY 3 MAY

7.30am	Registration open	
8.30am	Welcome to Country	
8.50am	Opening remarks	<i>Dr Matt Rucklidge</i>
<b>9-10.30am</b>	<b>Session 1: Recent advances, future directions</b>	<i>Chair: Dr Matt Rucklidge</i>
	Obstetric anaesthesia in the journals – what's hot?	<i>Professor Nuala Lucas</i>
	"Happy to help, but can you wait 14 days?" – the role of the anaesthetist in early term birth prevention	<i>Professor John Newnham</i>
	Future priorities in obstetric anaesthesia and training	<i>Professor Alicia Dennis</i>
	Q&A/panel discussion	
<b>10.30-11am</b>	<b>Morning tea</b>	
<b>11am-12.30pm</b>	<b>Session 2: Labour analgesia choices</b>	<i>Chair: Associate Professor Victoria Eley</i>
	Neuraxial labour analgesia: Have we arrived?	<i>Associate Professor Lawrence Tsen</i>
	Nitrous oxide – friend or foe?	<i>Dr Nicole Sheridan</i>
	Remifentanyl PCA – safe and sound?	<i>Dr Michael Jamison</i>
	Q&A/panel discussion	
<b>12.30-1.30pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>1.30-2.30pm</b>	<b>Session 3: Professor Michael Paech research and innovation prize session</b>	<i>Chair: Dr Alan Yam</i> <i>Judges:</i> <i>Professor Michael Paech</i> <i>Professor Nuala Lucas</i> <i>Associate Professor Lawrence Tsen</i>
	A randomised controlled study of fluid restriction during induction of labour	<i>Dr Darren Lowen</i>
	A survey of the use of nitrous oxide across health professional groups and their understanding of its environmental impact	<i>Dr Emily Balmaks</i>
	The use of slow-release opioids for acute pain management for elective and emergency caesarean sections: a retrospective audit of practice	<i>Dr Amy Lin</i>
	Intermediate-to-high-risk cardiovascular disease in pregnancy: a 10-year review of anaesthetic interventions, maternal and neonatal outcomes at Westmead Hospital	<i>Dr Erica Sanderson</i>

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2.30-3pm	<b>Virtual presentation</b>	<i>Chair: Dr Matt Rucklidge</i>
	Virtual presentation: Safety Alert: Tranexamic acid at Caesarean section – Drug-error deaths	<i>Associate Professor David Bishop</i>
3-3.30pm	<b>Afternoon tea</b>	
3.30-5pm	<b>Session 4: Cases and clinical challenges</b>	<i>Chair: Dr Adam Eslick</i>
	Cardiac challenges	<i>Dr Jane Brown and Dr David Tanous</i>
	ECMO in pregnancy – challenges and outcomes	<i>Dr Natalie Kruit and Dr Greg Jenkins</i>
	Neuro challenges	<i>Dr James Griffiths and Dr Jun Kim</i>
	Q&A/panel discussion	
5-5.10pm	<b>Michael Paech Prize winner announcement</b>	
5.10-7pm	Welcome reception, ICC Sydney	

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9-10.30am	<b>Session 5: When things go wrong – clinical incidents and consequences</b>	<i>Chair: Dr Craig Hargreaves</i>
	Obstetric anaesthesia incidents reported to WebAIRS: Summary of events and case presentations	<i>Dr Martin Culwick, Professor Alicia Dennis and Associate Professor Victoria Eley</i>
	Obstetric anaesthetic claims and complaints – tips to avoid and how to navigate the process	<i>Dr Amanda Smith and Dr Ruanne Brell</i>
	Q&A/panel discussion	
10.30-11am	<b>Morning tea</b>	
11am-12.30pm	<b>Session 6: Making things go well</b>	<i>Chair: Dr Sneha Neppalli</i>
	Comfortably numb – optimising patient experience during caesarean section	<i>Professor Nuala Lucas</i>
	Words that hurt, words that help	<i>Dr Allan Cyna</i>
	Post-caesarean pain relief: Safely enhancing recovery	<i>Dr Graeme Johnson</i>
	Q&A/panel discussion	
12.30-1.30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	
1.30-3pm	<b>Session 7: Improving outcomes in obstetric haemorrhage</b>	<i>Chair: Dr Morgan Edwards</i>
	Massive obstetric haemorrhage – tips and tricks	<i>Dr Roger Browning</i>
	Pharmacologic management of uterine tone during caesarean section	<i>Associate Professor Lawrence Tsen</i>
	Management of thrombocytopenia in pregnancy and delivery	<i>Dr Renee Eslick</i>
	Q&A/panel discussion	
3-3.30pm	<b>Afternoon tea</b>	
3.30-5pm	<b>Session 8: The future of obstetric general anaesthesia</b>	<i>Chair: Dr Ed Debenham</i>
	Does TIVA have a role in anaesthesia for caesarean section?	<i>Professor Nuala Lucas</i>
	Avoiding unrecognised oesophageal intubation	<i>Dr Nicholas Chrimes</i>
	Human Factors in Healthcare – How does it affect me?	<i>Dr Kara Allen</i>
	Q&A/panel discussion	
5pm	Meeting close	
6.30-10.30pm	Meeting cocktail reception style dinner	<i>The Deckhouse, Woolwich</i>