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CHALLENGING EVIDENCE

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DAY 1: Drug Allergy and the Skin		Friday 23 October 2026
14:00	Welcome to Country and Welcome to The Doherty Institute and EAACI DHS 2026 Prof Jason Trubiano (Australia) & Prof Mohamed Shamji (United Kingdom)	
14:15	The AUS-SCAR State of Play – The Australasian View	Prof Jason Trubiano (Australia)
SCAR Plenary 1 Chair: Prof Jason Trubiano (Australia)		
14:20	The immunological and clinical truths of multi-drug hypersensitivity	Prof Elizabeth Phillips (USA)
SESSION 1: Novel Approaches to Diagnosis in SCAR Chair: Prof Jason Trubiano (Australia)		
14:50	The Forgotten “SCAR” - Emerging Phenotypes	A/Prof Haur Yueh Lee (Singapore)
15:10	The old and new of in vivo diagnostics in SCAR	Dr Ana Copaescu (Canada)
15:30	New insights into ex vivo diagnostics in SCAR	Prof Jettanong Klaewsongkram (Thailand)
15:50	Q&A	
16:00	BREAK	
SCAR Plenary 2		
16:30	Insights from AUS-SCAR – New mechanisms that will drive novel diagnostics and therapeutics	Dr Samantha Chan (Australia)
SESSION 2: SCAR in Practice and International Consensus Chair: Prof Jonny Peter (South Africa)		
17:00	The drugs that cause SCAR – A global view	Dr Erika Lee (Canada)
17:10	Treatment of SJS/TEN – Pro/Con Debate	Prof Johannes Kern (Australia) & A/Prof Haur Yueh Lee (Singapore)
17:50	Panel Discussion: Prof Elizabeth Phillips, Prof Jonny Peter, Prof Johannes Kern, A/Prof Haur Yueh Lee, Dr Michelle Goh, Dr Lisa Rae. Moderator: Prof Jason Trubiano	
18:10	CLOSE	



Parallel Session - Antibiotic Allergy in Practice: Empowering Allied Health and Primary Care - iNAAN
Chair: A/Prof Jonathan Sandoe (United Kingdom) & Dr Morgan Rose (Australia)

16:30	A photo speaks a thousand words – Role of spot diagnosis in drug allergy	Dr Michelle Goh (Dermatologist, Australia)
16:45	The common mimics of drug allergy – Tricks of the Trade	Prof Connie Katelaris (Allergist, Australia)
17:10	What to put in my drug allergy toolkit? Risk assessment and beyond	Ms Elise Mitri (Pharmacist, Australia)
17:20	Prescribing in practice – Phone a Friend	Case Scenarios by Dr Morgan Rose & Dr Richard Sullivan (Infectious Diseases Physicians, Australia)
17:30	Panel Discussion: Antibiotic allergy assessment outside the allergy clinic: Enablers and Barriers of Non-Allergist Assessment Programs	
18:10	Welcome drinks at the Doherty Institute	

DAY 2: Antimicrobial Allergy – Practice from Evidence Saturday 24 October 2026

08:55	Welcome and Introduction	Prof Jason Trubiano (Australia) & Prof Philip Li (Hong Kong)
SESSION 1: Clinical Trials & The Drug Chair: Dr Fionnuala Cox (Ireland)		
09:00	From PALACE to penicillin allergy practice	Dr Ana Copaescu (Canada)
09:20	Be PREPARE(D) for cephalosporin testing	Dr Joseph De Luca (Australia)
09:40	Putting the S for safety in Sulfa antibiotic testing	Dr Morgan Rose (Australia)
10:00	Vancomycin Hypersensitivity: From Bench to Practice Across Immediate and Delayed Reactions	Dr Santiago Alvarez-Arango (USA)
10:20	Q&A	
10:30	BREAK	
SESSION 2: Clinical Trials & The Patient Chair: Dr Ana Copaescu (Canada)		
11:00	General Practice Insights from ALABAMA	A/Prof Jonathan Sandoe (UK)
11:20	Challenges in Paediatrics	Prof Michaela Lucas (Australia)
11:40	Penicillin Allergy Practice in Pregnancy	A/Prof Natasha Holmes (Australia)
12:00	Direct Oral Challenge in Practice: Phenotypic and Clinician-Determined Risk from iNAAN	Ms Elise Mitri (Australia)
12:20	Q&A	



12:30	Low is Low – Pro/Con Debate	Prof Jason Trubiano (Australia) & Prof Philip Li (Hong Kong)
13:10	LUNCH	
SESSION 3: Drug Allergy & Health Systems Chair: Ms. Elise Mitri (Australia)		
14:00	Patient Antibiotic Allergy SELF Assessment – Are We There Yet?	Dr Morgan Rose (Australia)
14:20	Digital Health Solutions in Antibiotic Allergy	Dr Maja Bulatović-Ćalasan (Netherlands) & Dr Rick Pleijhuis (Netherlands)
14:40	Unifying beta-lactam Cross-Reactivity – Implications for Practice	Dr Ingrid Terreehorst (Netherlands)
15:00	Q&A	
15:15	BREAK	
SESSION 4: NACE Hot Pubs Session Chair: Prof Connie Katelaris (Australia)		
15:40	Welcome and Introduction	Prof Connie Katelaris (Australia)
NACE Hot Pubs		
15:43	Modelling in Reverse: T-cell Receptor Guided Risk HLA and Epitope Discovery	A/Prof Andrew Gibson (Australia)
15:50	Penicillin Allergy Delabelling: Establishment And First Year Results Of A Living Overview Of Reviews	A/Prof Sandra Salter (Australia)
15:57	Quality And Consistency Of Penicillin Allergy Delabelling Guidelines: A Systematic Review	A/Prof Sandra Salter (Australia)
16:04	Development of the ASCIA Adult Guidelines for the Assessment and Management of Penicillin Allergy	Dr Jillian Kehoe (on behalf of Dr Samantha Stiles) (Australia)
DHS Lightning Round		
16:11	Phenotypic analysis of positive penicillin direct oral challenges reported in the multicentre International Network of Antibiotic Allergy Nations (iNAAN) study	Prof Jonny Peter (On behalf of Dr Cathryn McDougall) (South Africa)
16:18	Are older adults different? A comparative study of penicillin allergy delabelling outcomes in older versus younger adults	Dr Sin Hui Ng (Malaysia)
16:25	HLA-B*58:01 and Allopurinol-Associated Severe Cutaneous Adverse Reactions	Dr Laura Scolamiero (Australia)
16:32	Intradermal testing versus direct drug provocation testing in suspected oral or unknown cephalosporin allergy	Dr Erika Lee (Canada)



SESSION 5: Rapid Fire Dogma from Around the Globe

Chair: Dr Maja Bulatović-Ćalasan (Netherlands)

16:40	Pre-exposure penicillin allergy testing	Dr Melinda Juan (China)
16:50	Drug Allergy Resensitisation	Prof Philip Li (Hong Kong)
17:00	Single or Multi-step Challenges?	Prof Suran Fernando (Australia)
17:10	Premedication	Dr Jack Godsell (Australia)
17:20	CLOSE	

DAY 3: Drug Anaphylaxis & Beyond

Sunday 25 October 2026

08:55	Welcome and Introduction	Prof Jason Trubiano (Australia)
09:00	Drug Allergy Plenary 1 – Drug Allergy Year in Review Chair: Dr Santiago Alvarez-Arango (USA)	Prof Maria Torres (Spain)
09:45	BREAK	

SESSION 1: Anaphylaxis and Complex Drug Allergy

Chair: Prof Elizabeth Phillips (USA)

10:00	Excipient Testing in Perioperative Practice: Implications for Practice	Prof Lene Garvey (Denmark)
10:30	Beyond IgE – Mechanisms in Immediate Drug Hypersensitivity	Dr Jack Godsell (Australia)
11:00	The BATman – The Role of in vitro Diagnostics in Anaphylaxis	Prof Vito Sabato (Belgium)
11:30	Decoding NSAID Allergy: Current Insights and Future Directions	Prof Maria Torres (Spain)
12:00	Q&A	

Parallel Session (10:00–12:00): Allergy Testing Bootcamp - Practical and Clinical Skills in Drug Allergy

*Leads: Ms Elise Mitri; Ms Rebecca Hall; Dr Morgan Rose; A/Prof Jonathan Sandoe;
Dr Michelle Goh, Dr Gemma Reynolds, Mr Neil Powell*

10:00	Welcome and brief Introduction	Ms Elise Mitri (Australia)
10:05	Operationalising Antibiotic Allergy Best Practice in the Hospital Setting	Dr Gemma Reynolds (Australia)
10:25	A New Frontier: Breaking Barriers to Practical Antibiotic Allergy Care in Primary Care	A/Prof Jonathan Sandoe (UK)
10:40	Practical Skills in Drug Allergy: Hands-on – Skin Testing and Drug Challenges	Dr Morgan Rose (Australia), Ms Rebecca Hall (Australia)
11:40	Recognition and Practical Management of a Positive Drug Challenge	Dr Michelle Goh (Australia)
11:55	Summary and Close	Ms Elise Mitri (Australia)



12:15	LUNCH (12.15-12.45 Guided Poster Walk)	
Session 2: Challenging Evidence - Dialogues in Drug Allergy		
13:00	Debate – The Future of Drug Allergy is; In vivo vs. ex vivo Testing <i>Debate: Prof Vito Sabato vs. Prof Jonny Peter (Chair Prof Lene Garvey)</i>	
13:40	Debate – Desensitisation is Dead <i>Debate: Dr Jamie Waldron (USA) vs. Dr Fionnuala Cox (Ireland)</i> <i>Chair: Dr Maja Bulatović-Ćalasan (Netherlands)</i>	
14:15	BREAK	
SESSION 3: Rapid Fire Complex Cases <i>Chair: Dr Samantha Chan (Australia)</i>		
14:30	An augmented reality	<i>Dr Kyra Chua (Australia)</i>
14:45	Can't get enough	<i>Prof Jonny Peter (South Africa)</i>
15:00	The Ring of Fire	<i>Dr Evelyn Andrews (Australia)</i>
15:15	Heart of the Matter	<i>Dr Lim Xin Rong (Singapore)</i>
15:30	Double Trouble	<i>Dr Laura Scolamiero (Australia)</i>
15:45	Symposium Close and Farewell	<i>Prof Jason Trubiano (Australia)</i>



DAY 3: Guided Poster Walk (12.15-12.45) Sunday 25 October 2026

Group 1	Poster	Location
<i>Frances Bell</i>	A single centre experience with Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) testing in Severe Cutaneous Adverse Reactions (SCAR)	1
<i>Karolina Frachowicz-Guerreiro</i>	Suspected Cefuroxime Hypersensitivity in a Patient with Reported Multiple Drug Hypersensitivity Symptoms	2
<i>Liam Jones</i>	Clarifying discrepancies and gaps in predicted beta-lactam cross-reactivity using chemoinformatics	3
<i>Jacinta Knight</i>	Vancomycin skin testing for delayed hypersensitivity reactions: a retrospective audit examining the Western Australian experience	4
<i>Kanokkarn Pinyopornpanish</i>	Enhanced Diagnostic Utility of IFN- γ ELISpot Using Sulfamethoxazole Metabolites in Co-trimoxazole-Associated Severe Cutaneous Adverse Reactions	5
<i>Porntipa Suebsarakam</i>	Pediatric DRESS in Thailand: Epidemiology, Clinical Characteristics, and Outcomes from a Nationwide Population-Based Study, 2015–2024	6
<i>Emily Sullivan</i>	Fixed drug eruption to clindamycin reproduced at a distant index site by intradermal testing	7
<i>Irin Vichara-anont</i>	Lesional Delayed Intradermal Testing Supports the Diagnosis of Carbocysteine-Induced SDRIFE After Negative Conventional Skin Tests	8

Group 2	Poster	Location
<i>David Brownridge</i>	Impact of a multidisciplinary education package on completion of antimicrobial allergy assessments by Infection Control staff in a rural Victorian hospital	9
<i>Laura Bywater</i>	Active Versus Passive Surveillance for Inpatient Penicillin Allergy De-labelling: A Quality Improvement Study	10
<i>Evona Fung</i>	Closing the De-labelling Gap: Barriers and Opportunities of an Inpatient Antibiotic Allergy Oral Challenge Service in a Cancer Centre	11
<i>Jessica Joseph</i>	Streamlining Penicillin Allergy De-labelling: A Feasibility Pilot Using the “De-PAP” App on a Surgical Ward	12
<i>Sara Nobrega</i>	Patient perspectives of penicillin de-labelling assessments: a qualitative study	13
<i>Romeo Torres</i>	Evaluating agreement in penicillin allergy assessments between Infectious Diseases specialists and non-allergy clinicians via an electronic medical record data capture form	14
<i>Sandra Vale</i>	Developing a National Penicillin Allergy Delabeling Campaign	15
<i>Danny Barriault</i>	Antiepileptic Drug–Associated SJS/TEN: A National Prospective Perspective	16