



“Beginning of a Dialogue.....”

You are invited to attend

One Day Stroke Forum
Thursday 3rd November 2016
SAHMRI
North Terrace, Adelaide
9:30am – 4:30pm

Facilitated by



Free admission

This full day Stroke Research Forum is hosted by the Peter Couche Foundation and supported by SAHMRI and the three universities, Adelaide, UniSA and Flinders.

We are proposing an innovative new direction in stroke research in South Australia. As part of the Peter Couche Foundation to champion innovation in stroke we want to ***begin a dialogue*** – between people who have had a stroke and their supporters, clinicians and researchers. We hope to identify the key issues and challenges faced by these groups and from this generate meaningful research questions that we can start to answer here in SA. We also hope to identify people with stroke, clinicians and researchers who want to continue to be part of the research agenda in stroke in SA – as active participants in research, as advisors and as collaborators.

The format will involve presentations in the morning giving an overview of research internationally, national initiatives, and locally the progress in Transforming Health and implications for stroke, and stroke research. In the afternoon we will break into small groups to identify the challenges for all stakeholders that could become research questions. From these generated questions we can continue to ‘dialogue’ around prioritising and identifying interested parties – both at the forum and in the weeks and months after.

Why do we want to do this? It is increasingly clear that research needs to be informed – that means it needs to be relevant, answer the right questions and be able to be *translatable* into better outcomes for people with stroke. It is also becoming clear that the way to achieve this kind of research is to have everyone at the table.

Please join us and **register today** to activate your reserved place at the table to begin this dialogue and help improve our understanding and management of stroke in SA.

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Time: 9:30am – 4.30pm
Venue: SAHMRI – Atrium, ground floor

******Registration is essential as seats are limited******

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PRESENTERS



Dr. Damien Bates is a board-certified Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeon with over 13 years of clinical experience in both the US and Australia. Dr. Bates holds an MD from the University of Sydney and a PhD in Developmental Biology from the University of Melbourne. He has clinical and scientific expertise in tissue engineering and cellular based approaches to tissue regeneration. Prior to Organogenesis, Dr. Bates was Global Medical Director for Baxter Healthcare Corporation supporting the biologics Tisseel VH S/D, ARTISS and the medical device TricOs(tm). He was currently responsible for Organogenesis' clinical development strategies and oversees all medical components of the clinical development process for its next generation cell therapy product VCT01TM and is responsible for post-marketing medical support of Apligraf(r). Organogenesis is a leading regenerative medicine company based in Canton, Massachusetts that possesses the unique skill set to take complex living tissues from research and development, through manufacturing, to successful commercialization. In 1998, Organogenesis became the first company to gain FDA approval for Apligraf(r), a living tissue containing a complex extracellular matrix and human neonatal fibroblasts and keratinocytes. After leaving Organogenesis, Dr. Bates became the Chief Medical Officer & Head of Research at SanBio.



Prof. Simon Koblar, Director of the SRP, is a Stroke Physician and the Clinical Academic Neurologist in the Dept. of Neurology and a Professor in the School of Medicine. He is also a Clinical Advisor for the Centre for Stem Cell Research at the Robinson Institute, University of Adelaide and a Patron for Stroke SA.



A/Prof. Jim Jannes is a Neurologist and Stroke Physician who is Head of Neurology at Central Adelaide Local Health Network (CALHN). His principle interest is cerebrovascular disease. He has investigated the relevance of genetic predisposition to stroke and his other research interests include the acute management and secondary prevention of ischaemic stroke.



Associate Professor Susan Hillier is an academic and clinician with teaching and research interests in the broad field of neuroscience and rehabilitation. One of her main research areas is on the effectiveness of rehabilitation approaches after stroke - this includes the role of afferent stimulation or training using multimodal feedback, as well as models of rehabilitation (eg NHMRC Project Funded CIRCIT/7 day per week trial; NSF funded Yoga for stroke; NSF funded Music therapy for stroke). The influence of rehabilitation on neuroplasticity is also a focus. Susan also has an interest in movement education and intervention approaches for other populations such as children with developmental coordination disorder or people who are ageing. As well as conducting clinical trials to produce primary evidence, Susan also is an experienced Cochrane reviewer (vestibular rehabilitation, HIV, stroke, task-specific training) and has published many systematic reviews for comparative effectiveness trials as well as clinical measurement.

Susan still maintains a small private practice at the University and contributes to the community through her work with stroke organisations locally and nationally. She teaches regularly in Australia and internationally to assist clinicians to implement best practice. She has supervised 12 candidates to completion in PhD programs in Australia and overseas, and currently has ten candidates over four countries.

Her current role at the University of South Australia is Dean: Research (Operations) and Research Education for the Division of Health Sciences.



Sharon McGowan joined Stroke Foundation as Chief Executive Officer in 2016.

Having spent her career in the health sector, Sharon has a wealth of experience and expertise that will take the Stroke Foundation forward on the next phase of its journey.

Sharon is an experienced communicator, with a background in management, community engagement, culture transformation, health promotion, fundraising and the volunteer service. Originally trained as a registered nurse, Sharon has worked in Australia and the UK with a range of government statutory authorities and not-for-profit organisations.

Sharon holds a Masters of Business Administration from Cranfield University and is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Acutely aware of the devastating impact that a stroke can have on survivors and their family members, Sharon is passionate about bringing government, health professionals and the broader community together to fight this terrible disease. Sharon aims to make a real difference by increasing awareness of stroke and support for it as a major health priority.