

***Eating Disorders Think Tank 2024:
Coming together to advance science and understanding***

DRAFT PROGRAM: We have confirmed speakers across the following topics – speaker announcements to follow

Day 1 Thursday, 6 June 2024

Opening session

International Keynote: Prof Nadia Micali - Brain and Body in eating disorders: have the scales tipped too far to Brain?

Morning Tea

Session 1: Advancements in Understanding

- The gut, nutrition and the microbiome
- The epigenetics of eating disorders
- Hormones in the aetiology, maintenance and treatment of mental disorders

Lunch & Networking

Workshop 1: Co-Production in Research

Afternoon Tea

Session 2: Intervention Breakthroughs

- Impulsivity circuitry and behaviour at the intersection eating disorders and addiction
- Psychedelic agents for treatment of mental illness
- A novel 'connection' based intervention to tackle co-occurring health challenges of higher weight, stigma loneliness & mental health
- Ozempic: A biological Primer

Networking Drinks

Day 2: Friday, 7 June 2024

Session 1: Panel Discussion & Interactive session

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research consideration guidelines

Morning Tea

Session 2: New Methodologies

- Keynote Speaker
- Narrative methodologies for research in Lived Experience populations
- End of the RCT: the new Clinical Trial Designs

Lunch

Workshop: Translation of Evidence into Health System Pathways

Afternoon Tea

Contentious Conversations: The Great Debate

Topic: *Research dollars are limited, eating disorders researchers and funders should be prioritising early illness.*

Some of most famous faces and best performers take to the affirmative and the negative.

PhD and Post Doc lightning presentations

Australian labs will be invited to nominate a bright star

- 5 speakers 10 minutes each

Event Close