



NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre



The University of Sydney



**COGNO 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting Program  
Friday 20th November 2009, Gold Coast Convention Centre, Meeting Room 5**

COGNO is proud to announce its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting. COSA and COGNO will be holding their annual scientific meetings together this year on the Gold Coast 17-20<sup>th</sup> November 2009. The entire COSA program will be highlighting brain tumours (along with lung cancer) and other aspects of interest to our membership. This meeting aims to bring together researchers, health care professionals and clinicians working in the field of neuro-oncology to discuss relevant clinical issues and share ideas.

**The COSA/COGNO ASM program will include:**

- Professor Bruce Armstrong AM, Professor of Public Health at The University of Sydney. Bruce is a cancer epidemiologist and will be discussing the Australian contribution to INTERPHONE, an international study into whether mobile phone use causes tumours of the brain, acoustic nerve and parotid gland;
- A breakfast session on “common uncommon” brain tumours including medulloblastoma, chordoma and ependymoma with Peter Downie, Jacques Grill and Normand Laperriere;
- The “Cancer and the Brain” plenary will discuss the impact of cancer on the brain function; speakers include Janette Vardy and Normand Laperriere;
- A spinal metastases and cord compression session will consider surgical, stereotactic and holistic care.
- Meet the Professor Breakfast with Professor Roger Stupp;
- A brain tumour plenary will consider surgical, radiation and medical oncology state of the art management of glioblastoma multiforme including talks by Professors Roger Stupp and Normand Laperriere, new challenges including “pseudo-progression” and “pseudo-response” and the development and launch of the Australian Guidelines featuring Tom Reeve;
- A special symposium on recent neurosurgical and neuroradiology advances including US guest Dr La Rocca.

**Who can attend?**

We welcome registrations from all members of COSA and COGNO as well as other professionals registering for the COSA ASM. All participants of the COGNO ASM professional day should be registered for the COSA ASM or alternatively you can register just for the COGNO ASM but a \$100 fee will be charged.

**What is the cost?**

Registration is free to all members of COGNO who are registered for COSA. If attendees are only participating in the COGNO ASM then a fee of \$100 will be charged for registration. COGNO will be offering up to 9 travel grants for Nurses and Neuro-Oncology trainees each valued at up to \$1000 to be used for expenses incurred in attending the Annual Scientific Meeting.

**When and where?**

The Scientific meeting is a satellite event to the COSA Annual Scientific Meeting and will be held on Friday 20 November 2009 at the Gold Coast Convention Centre. COGNO will be hosting a dinner (and covering costs) for its members on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm at Yellow Fin Restaurant, 6/20 Queensland Ave. Broadbeach QLD 4218.

**Submissions of trial concepts and registration**

Session 1 of the scientific meeting will provide a professional forum for discussion of trial concepts with an esteemed international panel including; Normand Laperriere, Roger Stupp and Renato La Rocca.

We encourage COGNO members to submit concepts for discussion during this session via email at [cogno@ctc.usyd.edu.au](mailto:cogno@ctc.usyd.edu.au)

To register for the COGNO ASM and dinner, indicate you will attend on the ‘add-ons’ page during the registration process for the COSA ASM. If you have already registered for COSA and would like to add in your attendance at the COGNO ASM and/or dinner please advise ASN events via email at [cosa@asn.events.net.au](mailto:cosa@asn.events.net.au)

**Meeting convenor**

Liz Hovey, Medical Oncologist, Prince of Wales Hospital, Sydney  
COGNO chair - Mark Rosenthal, Medical Oncologist, Royal Melbourne Hospital  
This Scientific meeting is sponsored by Cancer Australia and COSA.

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<b>Friday 20th November COGNO ASM program, Meeting Room 5</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
8.00 - 8.05	Welcome and program overview	Liz Hovey - convenor
8.05 – 8.15	COGNO group background, structure and brief update	Mark Rosenthal
<b>8.15 – 10.30</b>	<b>Session 1 - Update of global trials and trial concept development</b>	<b>Chairs – Kathryn Field/Meera Agar</b>
8.15 – 8.40	Radiation Oncology/NCIC portfolio	Normand Laperriere
8.40 – 9.05	Medical Oncology/EORTC portfolio	Roger Stupp
9.05 – 9.30	Surgical Oncology	Lindy Jeffree
9.30 - 10.30	International Panel discussion of new concepts	<b>Chair – Mark Rosenthal</b> Panel includes; Roger Stupp, Renato La Rocca and Normand Laperriere
10.30 – 10.45	Morning Tea	
<b>10.45 – 12.45</b>	<b>Session 2 – Update of current/proposed trials</b>	<b>Chairs – Eng-Siew Koh/John Simes</b>
10.45 – 11.05	Phase II Temozolomide/Caelyx in GBM	Mark Rosenthal
11.05 - 11.20	Low Grade Glioma/Elderly GBM	Gail Ryan/Claire Phillips
11.20 – 11.50	EORTC Phase III non 1p/19q deleted anaplastic gliomas (CATNON)	Mark Rosenthal (on behalf of Australian Study Chair Anna Nowak)
11.50 – 12.10	Phase I/II AMG 102 + Panitumumab	Mark Rosenthal
12.10 - 12.45	Challenges with Radiology endpoints - update on RANO Guidelines	Normand Laperriere
12.45 – 13.15	Lunch	
<b>13.15 – 14.15</b>	<b>Session 3 – Incorporating basic science/translational research into studies</b>	<b>Chairs - Kerrie McDonald/David Walker</b>
13.15 – 13.35	Communicating with basic science researchers – Bench to Clinic	John Simes
13.35 – 14.05	Applying Translational Research into Study Design	Roger Stupp
14.05 – 14.15	Closing Summary	Mark Rosenthal
14.15 – 14.30	Afternoon Tea	
14.30 – 15.00	<b>Closed Annual General Meeting – COGNO MEMBERS ONLY</b>	Chair - Mark Rosenthal
15.00 – 17.00	Scientific Advisory Meeting – open meeting	Chair - Mark Rosenthal