



15th Georg RAJKA
International Symposium on Atopic Dermatitis
2025 AUSTRALIA
Memory, History and Retelling

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Oct. 24-26, 2025

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You are invited!

It is with great delight that we welcome you to the 15th Georg Rajka International Symposium for Atopic Dermatitis in Melbourne, Australia, the land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation: 24-26 October 2025, the centenary year of Professor Georg Rajka's birth.

Dreaming for the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People recounts the creation of life and renewal, mirroring the stories of ISAD and of the evolving landscape of atopic dermatitis research and treatment. This meeting gives occasion to recall these histories, to reflect on current challenges still faced at environmental, social, personal, and molecular levels, and to reconsider strategic future directions for eczema research and care. Our symposium theme is therefore History, Memory, and Retelling. We will also highlight evolving understandings of risk determinants for AD and immunological pathways affecting AD development and persistence. The symposium will be valuable for all clinicians, researchers, residents, and students who wish to be current in atopic dermatitis research and management.

We are privileged to have Professor Peter Doherty among our list of distinguished speakers. Together with Professor Rolf Zinkernagel, he was awarded the 1996 Nobel Prize in medicine for ground-breaking work on T cells.

Melbourne, located in south-east Australia, was recently voted the world's most liveable city for 8 consecutive years. A cosmopolitan and multicultural city, it has become known for its coherent and unassuming fusion of European, Asian, and many other influences. Our conference venue will be the Grand Hyatt, located in central Melbourne within an easy walk of the sporting, shopping, and entertainment districts. We look forward to welcoming you to the great Southern Land, to a unique event for information exchange, learning, and both the creation and renewal of friendships for all those dedicated to improving the lives of those with atopic dermatitis.

Prof. John C. SU

MBBS, MEpi, MA, MSt, MBA, FRACP, FACD

RAJKA 2025 General Chair

Clinical Director of Dermatology at Eastern Health (Melbourne),

Paediatric dermatologist at Murdoch Children's Research Institute, The Royal Children's Hospital and at Austin Health,

Clinical Professor at Monash University.



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RAJKA 2025 in Numbers:

A closed meeting and a pre meeting on 23rd
15 Sessions
12 Keynotes lectures
14 Invited lectures
23 Oral lectures (from the Call for Abstracts)
5 Poster sessions (125 presentations slots)

The Sessions

Friday, October 24th

09:00 Patient-Centered Sessions
13:25 Innate and adaptive Immunity
14:55 Poster session
15:25 Regulation of T-Cell immunity
16:55 Systemic immunity and immune crosstalk
17:55 Skin barrier

Welcome Reception & Georg RAJKA centennial jubilee
at Carlton Gardens, Melbourne Gallery in the Melbourne Museum

Saturday, October 25th

08:30 Historical and new perspectives on atopic dermatitis
10:30 Poster session
11:00 Environment and atopic dermatitis
13:30 Itch
15:00 Poster session
15:30 What's new from the industry

President's Dinner
at Arts Centre Melbourne

Sunday, October 26th

08:30 Microbiome and atopic dermatitis
10:00 Poster session
10:30 Systemic therapy for atopic dermatitis
13:15 Comorbidities of atopic dermatitis
14:45 Extremes of age
16:00 Poster session
16:30 Atopic dermatitis in diverse skin types
17:45 Closing Ceremony

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Friday, October 24th PATIENT-CENTERED SESSIONS

09:00 **Australia and Global Perspectives on Atopic Dermatitis**
11:00 **Atopic Dermatitis In the Digital Era**

12:00 **Lunch break**

SYMPOSIUM #DAY1

Welcome Addresses

13:00 **Welcome to Melbourne**
John SU, Australia

13:05 **ISAD President address**
Alain TAÏEB, France

13:10 **Introduction into History of ISAD and Rajka meetings**
Johannes RING, Germany

13:20 **Centennial of the Birth of Georg RAJKA**
Suzanne RAJKA, Norway

S1. Innate and adaptive Immunity*

Chairs: Magdalena TRZECIAK, Poland / Anne HALBERT, Australia (Perth)

13:25 KL1 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
Cindy MA, Australia (Sydney)

13:45 IL1 **Title to be confirmed**
Fang WANG, China

14:05 OL1 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

S2. Regulation of T cell immunity

Chairs: Jason FOK, Australia

14:20 KL2 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
To be confirmed

14:50 IL2 **Title to be confirmed**
Laura MacKAY, Australia (Melbourne)

15:20 OL2 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

15:35 PS1 **Poster presentations session 1**

S3. Systemic immunity and immune crosstalk

Chairs: Dirk Jan HIJNEN, The Netherlands / John SU, Australia

16:05 KL3 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
Marlys FASSET, USA

16:35 IL3 **Title to be confirmed**
Wei LI, China

17:05 OL3 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

17:20 OL4 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

S4. Skin barrier

Chairs: Kyu-Han KIM, South Korea / Linda MARTIN, Australia

17:35 KL4 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
Eung Ho CHOI, South Korea

18:05 OL5 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

18:20 OL6 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

19:30 **Welcome Reception & Georg RAJKA centennial jubilee**
at Carlton Gardens, Melbourne Gallery in the Melbourne Museum

*Centennial Jubilee

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Saturday, October 25th SYMPOSIUM #DAY2

- S5. Historical and new perspectives on atopic dermatitis***
Chairs: Lin MA, China / Dedee MURREL, Australia (Sydney)
- 08:30 KL5 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
Johannes RING, Germany
- 09:00 IL4 **Title to be confirmed**
Robert SIDBURY, USA
- 09:30 IL5 **Title to be confirmed**
Thomas BIEBER, Switzerland
- 10:00 OL7 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**
10:15 OL8 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**
- 10:30 **PS2 Poster presentations session 2**
- S6. Epidemiology and outcome research**
Chairs: Peter SCHMID-GRENDELMEIER, Switzerland / Shyamali DHARMAGE, Australia
- 11:00 KL6 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
Carsten FLOHR, UK
- 11:20 IL6 **Title to be confirmed**
Adrian LOWE, Australia
- 11:40 IL7 **Title to be confirmed**
Kim THOMAS / Hywell WILLIAMS, UK
- 12:00 OL9 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**
12:15 OL10 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**
- 12:30 **Lunch break**
- S7. Itch***
Chairs: Martin STEINHOFF, Qatar / Ernest TAN, Australia (Perth)
- 13:30 KL7 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
Sonja STÄNDER, Germany
- 14:00 IL8 **Title to be confirmed**
Laurent MISERY, France
- 14:30 OL11 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**
14:45 OL12 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**
- 15:00 **PS3 Poster presentations session 3**
- S8. What's new from the industry**
Chairs: Chia Yu CHU, Taiwan / George A. VARIGOS, Australia
- 15:30 SLx **Titles to be confirmed**
Presentations from Corporate Member and Sponsors (platinum & diamond)
- Local Organizing Committee Cultural invitation**
President's dinner at Arts Centre Melbourne

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Sunday, October 26th, 2025
SYMPOSIUM #DAY3

S9. Microbiome and atopic dermatitis

Chairs: Ousmane FAYE, Mali / Pablo FERNANDEZ-PENÃS, Australia (Perth)

08:30 KL8 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
To be confirmed

09:00 IL9 **Title to be confirmed**
Xu YAO, China

09:30 OL13 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

09:45 OL14 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

10:00 **PS4 Poster presentations session 4**

S10. Systemic and new therapies for atopic dermatitis

Chairs: Yong Kwang TAY, Singapore / Li-Chuen WONG, Australia (Sydney)

10:30 KL9 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
Amy S. PALLER, USA

11:00 OL15 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

11:15 OL16 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

11:30 OL17 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

11:45 OL18 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

12:00 **Lunch break**

S11. Complications and comorbidities of atopic dermatitis

Chairs: Roberto TAKAOKA, Brazil / John SU, Australia (Melbourne)

13:00 KL10 **Keynote lecture: Infectious complications and comorb. of AD**
Andreas WOLLENBERG, Germany

13:30 IL10 **Title to be confirmed**
Ji-Hyun LEE, South Korea

13:45 IL11 **Title to be confirmed**
Amir LATIFF, Malaysia

14:00 IL12 **Title to be confirmed**
Murlidhar RAJAGOPALAN, India

14:15 OL19 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

S12. Extremes of age

Chairs: Ellis HON, Hong Kong / Anousha YAZDABADI, Australia (Melbourne)

14:30 KL11 **Keynote lecture: Title to be confirmed**
Sébastien BARBAROT, France

15:00 IL13 **Title to be confirmed**
Sandipan DHAR, India

15:15 OL20 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

15:30 OL21 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

15:45 **PS5 Poster presentations session 5**

S13. Atopic dermatitis in diverse skin types

Chairs: Kin Fon LEONG, Malaysia / Lena LY, Australia

16:15 KL12 **Keynote lecture: Infectious complications and comorb. of AD**
Valeria AOKI, Brazil

16:45 IL14 **Title to be confirmed**
Erere OTROFANOWEI, Nigeria

17:00 OL22 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

17:15 OL23 **15 min. short communication, selected in the call for abstract submissions**

17:30 **Closing ceremony**

Best poster/presentation awards, local best posters
John SU, Australia

Next Rajka Symposium: Beijing, China
Lin MA, China

Closing remarks
Alain TAÏEB, France

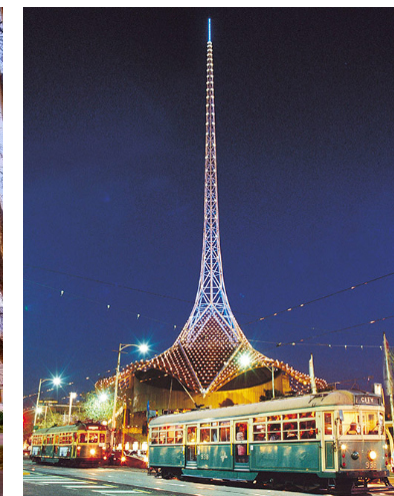
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Networking

Welcome Reception

October 24th – Carlton Gardens, Melbourne Gallery in the Melbourne Museum
Free and Open to all attendees



We are delighted to invite you to the Welcome Reception of the 15th Georg RAJKA International Symposium on Atopic Dermatitis (ISAD) in Melbourne. Join us for an evening of networking and celebration in the beautiful garden of the Melbourne Museum.

We look forward to welcoming you to what promises to be an enjoyable and memorable evening.

President's dinner

October 25th – Arts Centre Melbourne
On registration only (price to be announced)

- Tickets for the event & instructions for free transportation from/back to Grand Hyatt hotel will be given in the Welcome Pack at the desk upon check-in.
- Book on platform.isad.org during the symposium's registration.



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