



The Science of Ageing Well

2025 Annual Research Symposium

UNSW Ageing Futures Institute

2 SEPTEMBER 2025 | 9AM - 1:30PM



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PROGRAM

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| 8:30am | Guest arrival and Registration |
| 9:00am | Symposium Open <i>Professor Kaarin Anstey Director, UNSW Ageing Futures Institute</i> |
| 9:10am | Keynote Evidence into action: Ageing research at the policy–practice interface <i>Dr Chris Hatherly CEO, Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia</i> |
| 9:50am | Session 1: Optimising Cognitive Health for All <i>Chair: Dr Rachael Cvejic</i> |
| | <p>Development of a practical guide to implement rehabilitation for people with dementia within real-world community aged care in Australia <i>Dr Claire O'Connor</i></p> <p>Supporting people with intellectual disability living with dementia: Experiences of health, disability, and aged care workers <i>Amelia Law</i></p> <p>The Role of Cognitive Reserve in MCI-to-Normal Cognition Reversion Among APOE4 Carriers and Non-Carriers: A Longitudinal Neuroimaging Study <i>Dr Yvonne Leung</i></p> |
| 10:20am | Session 2: Feeding the Ageing Brain <i>Chair: Dr Zhaoli Dai-Keller</i> |
| | <p>The role of diet in the ageing brain: association between dietary strategies and change in white matter hyperintensities <i>Buck Bao</i></p> <p>Defining Geroprotective Microbiome through Optimal Healthy Gut Microbiome and Epigenetic Ageing Clock <i>Gordon Luo</i></p> <p>Effects of Probiotics on Cognitive Function in Adults with Mild Cognitive Impairment or Minimal Hepatic Encephalopathy: An Umbrella Review of Meta-analyses of Randomized Controlled Trials <i>Farisah Sulaimi</i></p> |
| 10:50am | Morning tea Poster Exhibition |

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| 11:25am | Plenary Preventing falls in China: The FAMILY Cluster Randomized Clinical Trial <i>Professor Rebecca Ivers Deputy Dean, Global Engagement and External Education</i> |
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| 11:45am | Session 3: Building Age-Inclusive Societies <i>Chair: Dr Rafal Chomik</i> |
| | <p>Greener Cities, Healthier Ageing <i>Professor Xiaoqi Feng</i></p> <p>Tracking Healthy Ageing: Intrinsic Capacity Across Countries and Cohorts <i>Associate Professor Katja Hanewald</i></p> <p>An evidence-based approach to falls and frailty: Improving paramedic-care of older people <i>Dr Meghan Ambrens</i></p> |

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| 12:15pm | Session 4: Tech Innovations for Ageing Well <i>Chair: Dr Paulo Pelicioni</i> |
| | <p>Initial development and validation of a computerised assessment of instrumental activity of daily living (IADL) for older adults <i>Minal Tanvir</i></p> <p>Developing a Multimorbidity Knowledge Graph for Australia: Toward AI-Enabled, Patient-Centred Chronic Disease Management in Ageing Populations <i>Khan Md Hasib</i></p> <p>Where's the fun in that? Key insights from building and testing a game-based cognitive assessment for Australians ageing at the margin <i>Rhys Mantell</i></p> <p>Robot Dog Gesture Languages for Future Human Robot Interaction <i>Dr Eduardo Sandoval & Chunyang Meng</i></p> |

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| 12:55pm | Awards Closing remarks |
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| 1:00pm | Lunch |
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THE VENUE

Venue details

The event is being held in the Council Chambers at The Chancellery Building, UNSW Kensington campus in Sydney.

Venue address:

Chancellery Building (C22)
University of New South Wales
Chancellery Walk, Randwick NSW 2033



Getting there

Getting to the Chancellery

- **Main Entrance:** The primary entrance to the Chancellery is located at Gate 9, accessible via car from the car park.
- **Pedestrian Access:** You can also walk to the Chancellery by going through the Student Centre.

