

RANZCO 2026 CONGRESS PROGRAM

This program was last updated on Monday 31st August 2026 and is subject to change.

All sessions will be held at the New Zealand International Convention Centre (NZICC), unless otherwise stated.

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FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2026		
9:00am	4:30pm	Global Eye Health Workshop
		Room: MR515/516
5:30pm	7:30pm	Welcome Reception Aviation Hall, Museum of Transport and Technology (MOTAT)
		Alcon Dinner Symposium Venue: TBC
SATURDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2026		
		Health and Wellbeing Activity
6:30am	7:45am	Hosted Breakfast Symposium
		Room: MR516
		Zeiss Hosted Breakfast Symposium
8:00am	8:30am	Welcome
		Room: Theatre 2
8:30am	9:00am	Congress opening Michelle Dickinson

9:00am	9:30am	Council Lecture Prof Robyn Guymer AM				
9:30am	10:30am	RANZCO Plenary (Ethics and Professionalism)				
10:30am	11:00am	Morning Tea				
11:00am	12:30pm	Concurrent Sessions				
		Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC
11:00am	12:30pm	<i>Cataract</i> Conquering Capsule Complications – My Best Teaching Videos	<i>Glaucoma</i> ANZGS RANZCO Symposium: Dilemmas in Glaucoma & CPD Audit	<i>Oculoplastic/Orbit</i> Tips to Success in Eyelid Surgery and Managing Complications	<i>Uveitis</i> The Uveitis – Oncology Interface: Immune Cross Talk and Clinical Overlap	Rapid Fire Concurrent Session
12:30pm	1:45pm	Lunch	Past Presidents, Vice Presidents and Censor in Chiefs' lunch		Younger Fellows Lunch and Learn Session	
1:45pm	3:15pm	Concurrent Sessions				
		Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC
1:45pm	3:15pm	<i>Cataract</i> Fixation Matters: Where and How We Place IOLs. From Elective Refractive Phakic Implants to rhexis-fixated — One Course all Options	<i>Glaucoma</i> Beyond IOP: Practical Glaucoma Decision-Making for the General Ophthalmologist	<i>Vitreoretinal Surgery</i> That Sinking Feeling - Secondary IOLs	<i>RANZCO PD Session</i> Surgical Coaching and Performance Review	Rapid Fire Concurrent Session
3:15pm	3:45pm	Afternoon Tea				
3:45pm	5:15pm	Plenary: Keynote Lectures				

		Room: Theatre 2
3:45pm	4:15pm	Gregg Lecture Prof Chris Hammond
4:15pm	4:45pm	Cataract Lecture Dr David Chang
4:45pm	5:15pm	Neuro-ophthalmology Lecture Prof Valerie Biousse
5:30pm	6:00pm	Graduation and Award Ceremony Pre-Drinks Princes Ballroom, Pullman Auckland
6:00pm	8:00pm	Graduation and Awards Ceremony & President's Reception Princes Ballroom, Pullman Auckland
7:30pm		Roche Dinner Symposium Venue to be confirmed

SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2026		
		Health and Wellbeing Activity
6:30am	7:45am	Hosted Breakfast Symposium
		Room: Theatre 1
		Bausch + Lomb Hosted Symposium
8:00am	9:30am	Plenary: Best Paper Presentations
		Room: Theatre 2
9:30am	10:00am	Vision 2030 Plenary Update
10:00am	10:30am	Morning Tea
10:30am	12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions

		Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC
10:30am	12:00pm	<i>Medical Retina</i> Medical Retina Mysteries!	<i>Cataract</i> Post-Operative Phaco Challenges – Things you Don't Want to Miss and How to Fix Them	<i>Paediatric Ophthalmology</i> Paediatric Strabismus - A Comprehensive Short Course	<i>Neuro-Ophthalmology</i> Neuro-Ophthalmology Challenges: Paradigm Shifts and Persistent Controversies	Rapid Fire Concurrent Session
12:00pm	1:30pm	Lunch				
1:30pm	3:00pm	Women in Ophthalmology (WiO) Luncheon				
1:30pm	3:00pm	Plenary: Keynote Lectures				
		Room: Theatre 2				
1:30pm	2:00pm	Hollows Lecture Dr Gullapalli N Rao				
2:00pm	2:30pm	Retina Update Lecture Prof Dan Martin				
2:30pm	3:00pm	Glaucoma Update Lecture Prof Anthony Khawaja				
3:00pm	3:30pm	Afternoon Tea				
3:30pm	5:00pm	Concurrent Sessions				
		Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC
3:30pm	4:10pm	<i>Uveitis</i> Masquerade Ball: When Ocular Inflammation Sets the Tempo	<i>Strabismus</i> Management strategies for common strabismic conditions	<i>Ocular Oncology</i> Hidden in plain sight: Common presentations mimicking ocular oncology. Everyday Case Life and Sight Threatening	<i>RANZCO PD Session</i> Younger Fellows Course - The Ophthalmologist of Today	Rapid Fire Concurrent Session

				Pathology Don't Miss a Thing		
4:20pm	5:00pm			Cornea Management Algorithm for Recalcitrant Microbial Keratitis	RANZCO PD Session Connecting Young Ophthalmologists to Global Eye Health Opportunities in the Asia-Pacific	
5:00pm	6:00pm	Sunset Poster and Film Festival Exhibition Hall				
TBC		Bayer Hosted Dinner Symposium Venue to be confirmed				

MONDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2026						
		Health and Wellbeing Activity				
6:30am	7:45am	ANZGS Breakfast Symposium				
		Room: Theatre 1				
8:00am	9:00am	Plenary: Keynote Lectures				
		Room: Theatre 2				
8:00am	8:30am	Ida Mann Lecture Prof Robert Casson				
8:30am	9:00am	Refractive Lecture Dr Ik Hee Ryu				
9:00am	10:00am	Plenary: Australian Vision Research (AVR) Plenary				
10:00am	10:30am	Morning Tea				

10:30am	12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions				
		Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC	Room: TBC
10:30am	12:00pm	<i>Genetics</i> Inherited Retinal and Optic Nerve Diseases are Great Mimickers: When to Suspect and How to Refer in Australia and New Zealand	<i>Infectious Diseases</i> Going Viral: from the Cornea to the Retina and Beyond	<i>Cornea</i> Evidence Basis in Oculoplastics – Dispelling Myths!	<i>RANZCO PD Session</i> When Things go Wrong	Rapid Fire Concurrent Session
12:00pm	1:30pm	Lunch				
1:30pm	3:00pm	Plenary: Clinical Controversies				
		Room: Theatre 1				
3:00pm	3:30pm	Afternoon Tea				
3:30pm	5:00pm	Concurrent Sessions				
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		<i>Cataract</i> Levelling Up Cataract Surgery in the Era of Advanced IOLs: What Refractive Surgeons Do Differently	<i>Surgery</i> Near “Live” Surgery Videos	<i>Epidemiology / Public Health</i> Ophthalmic Trauma- Maximising Visual and Functional Outcomes	<i>RANZCO PD Session</i> Whose Data Is It Anyway? Sovereignty, Consent and Practice Across Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific	Rapid Fire Concurrent Session
5:00pm		Closing Remarks				
		Plenary Foyer				