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08:00 - 08:30 (Ann St Lobby)	REGISTRATION & COFFEE					
08:30 – 08:45 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	OPENING SESSION TROPICAL MEDICINE					
	Conference Welcome: Prof Colleen Lau, The University of Queensland (UQ), ACTM President Prof Richard Franklin, James Cook University (JCU), ACTM President-Elect and Co	onference Chair				
08:45 – 10:15 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	PLENARY: CHRONIC SEQUELAE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES Chairs: Prof Colleen Lau, The University of Queensland, Brisbane; A/Prof Philip Britton, The Children's Hospital at Westmead, Sydney	08:45 – 10:15 (Lyon 1)	WORKSHOP 1 (Session 1): GETTING STARTED IN TRAVEL MEDICINE Organiser: Ms Tonia Buzzolini, Travelvax, Sunshine Coast			
08:45 – 09:15	2024 ACTM Ashdown Oration Tuberculosis (TB) and TB drugs Prof Anne McCarthy, University of Ottawa, Canada	08:45 – 09:15	First steps in travel medicine: navigating the path to practice Ms Lisa Scotland (RN), Worldwise Travellers Health & Vaccination Centre, New Zealand			
09:15 – 09:45	Leprosy elimination in the Pacific Islands Prof Warwick Britton, University of Sydney	09:15 – 09:45	Team dynamics in travel medicine: unveiling the roles of doctors, nurses, and receptionists Ms Danielle Peel (NP), Travel Clinics Australia, Sydney			
09:45 – 10:15	Streptococcal infection and rheumatic heart disease in the Pacific Islands Prof Satupaitea Viali , Oceania University of Medicine, Samoa	09:45 – 10:15	Staying current in travel medicine: tools and techniques Ms Caroline Nash (RN), Aspen Medical, Canberra			
10:15 – 10:45	MORNING TEA & POSTER VIEWING (Ann Street Lobby)					
10:45 – 12:15 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	INSIGHTS IN INFECTIOUS DISEASE PREVENTION, CONTROL AND OUTCOMES Chairs: Prof Dennis Shanks, Australian Defence Force Malaria and Infectious Diseases Unit (ADF MIDI), Brisbane; Dr Sarah McGuinness, Monash University, Melbourne	10:45 – 12:15 (Lyon 1)	WORKSHOP 1 (Session 2): GETTING STARTED IN TRAVEL MEDICINE			
10:45 – 11:15	Plasmodium vivax malaria – challenges and opportunities in case management and elimination Dr John Woodford, QIMR Berghofer, Brisbane	10:45 – 11:15	The Travel Consult Ms Danielle Peel (NP), Travel Clinics Australia, Sydney Ms Lisa Scotland (RN), Worldwise Travellers Health & Vaccination Centre, New Zealand			

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Free Communications: Long-term persistence of antibodies following Japanese encephalitis virus vaccination with Imojev in adults residing in a non-endemic setting	11:15 – 12:15	Case study/small learning group & panel Ms Tonia Buzzolini (RN), Travelvax, Sunshine Coast Ms Lisa Scotland (RN), Worldwise Travellers Health & Vaccination
Dr Deborah Mills, Dr Deb The Travel Doctor, Brisbane COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy and associated factors in the Dominican Republic in		Centre, New Zealand Ms Caroline Nash (RN), Aspen Medical, Canberra
Dr Behzad Kiani, The University of Queensland, Brisbane		Ms Danielle Peel (NP), Travel Clinics Australia, Sydney
 A Bayesian network model for estimating risk of long COVID Miss Jane Sinclair, The University of Queensland, Brisbane 		
 Undernutrition increases the risk of unsuccessful treatment outcomes of patients with tuberculosis in Ethiopia: a multicenter retrospective cohort study Mr Fasil Shiferaw, Australian National University, Canberra 		
LUNCH & POSTER VIEWING (Ann Street Lobby)	LUNCH & P	OSTER VIEWING (Ann Street Lobby)
	13:00 – 15:00 (Lyon 1)	WORKSHOP 2 (Session 1): YELLOW FEVER
ADVANCES IN VECTOR-BORNE DISEASE SURVEILLANCE AND CONTROL Chairs: A/Prof Gregor Devine, QIMR Berghofer, Brisbane; Dr Patrick Lammie, Coalition for Operational Research on Neglected Tropical Diseases (COR-NTD), USA	13:00 – 15:00	Organisers / Speakers: Dr Jennifer Sisson, Travel Doctor-TMVC, Canberra Prof Marc Shaw, Worldwise Travellers Health & Vaccination Centre Auckland Ms Tonia Buzzolini, Travelvax, Sunshine Coast
New approaches to surveillance of arboviruses in the Pacific Islands Dr Van-Mai Cao-Lormeau , Institut Louis Malarde, French Polynesia		What is yellow fever?Legal requirements and accreditation
Free Communications: What dengue vector sampling methods perform best in the Pacific Islands? A multicountry Latin square study Dr Adam Craig, The University of Queensland, Brisbane		Indications, contraindications and adverse events
 Accelerating elimination of lymphatic filariasis in the South Pacific using genomics Dr Shannon Hedtke, La Trobe University, Melbourne 		
 Molecular xenomonitoring for lymphatic filariasis surveillance in Samoa, 2018-2023 Lt Col Brady McPherson, Australian Defence Force Malaria and Infectious Diseases Institute, Brisbane 		
Improving analysis and design of vector surveillance surveys Dr Angus McLure, Australian National University, Canberra		
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15:05-16:35 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO CONTROL AND ELIMINATION OF NEGLECTED TROPICAL DISEASES Chairs: Prof Patricia Graves, James Cook University, Townsville; Prof John Kaldor, UNSW Kirby Institute, Sydney	15:15 – 16:45 (Lyon 1)	WORKSHOP 2 (Session 2): YELLOW FEVER
15:05- 15:35 15:35 to 16:35	 Mass drug administration for LF and yaws elimination in Papua New Guinea Prof Christopher King, Case Western Reserve University, USA Free Communications: Impact of triple-drug mass drug administration on lymphatic filariasis in Samoa Dr Helen Mayfield, The University of Queensland, Brisbane Integrated serological surveillance for multiple infectious diseases in Vanuatu Dr Mohamad Assoum, UNSW Kirby Institute, Sydney Methodological approach to post-validation surveillance of lymphatic filariasis in Tonga, 2024 Dr Harriet Lawford, The University of Queensland, Brisbane Mapping risk prediction for hookworm and Strongyloides in adolescents and adults in Dak Lak province, Vietnam Dr Adam Bartlett, UNSW Kirby Institute, Sydney 	15:15 – 16:45	Organisers / Speakers: Dr Jennifer Sisson, Travel Doctor-TMVC, Canberra Prof Marc Shaw, Worldwise Travellers Health & Vaccination Centre, Auckland Ms Tonia Buzzolini, Travelvax, Sunshine Coast Special travellers (e.g. immunocompromised) Case studies Short MCQ paper
16:35-18:00 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	CLOSING SESSION Chair: Prof Richard Franklin, James Cook University, Townsville		
16:35-17:30	Inaugural Prof Peter Leggat AM Oration Innovation in travel medicine Prof Gerard Flaherty, University of Galway, Ireland Presentation of the Major General John Pearn The Surgeon General's Medal		Sponsored by: JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY AUSTRALIA
17:30 – 18:00	Launch of Don McManus Tropical Health Research Centre Prof Darren Gray, QIMR Berghofer, Brisbane In attendance; Her Excellency the Honourable Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM, Govern	nor of Queensland	Sponsored by: QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute
18:00 – 19:30 (Ann St Lobby)	WELCOME DRINKS AND CANAPES (all delegates welcome)		

SATURDAY 28th SEPTEMBER, 2024

08:00 - 08:50 (Ann St Lobby)	REGISTRATION					
08:50 - 09:00 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	OPENING SESSION TRAVEL MEDICINE Chair of the Scientific Program Committee: Dr Sarah McGuinness, Monash University, Melbourne					
09:00 - 10:30 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	VACCINES: WHAT'S ON THE HORIZON Chairs: A/Prof Michael Nissen, The University of Queensland, Brisbane; Dr Stephen Muhi, University of Melbourne	09:00 –10:30 (Lyon 1)	WORKSHOP 3: MATHEMATICAL MODELLING Organiser: Prof Emma McBryde, James Cook University, Townsville			
09:00 - 09:30	Needle-free vaccination: advances in patch-based vaccine delivery systems Mr Ben Baker, Vaxxas, Brisbane	09:00 - 09:30	Modelling tuberculosis for optimal disease control Prof Emma McBryde , James Cook University, Townsville			
09:30 - 10:00	New and upcoming vaccines and their applicability to travellers Dr Archana Koirala , National Centre for Immunisation Research and Surveillance, Sydney	09:30 – 10:00	Modelling the impact of vaccine on COVID-19 attack rate Dr Michael Meehan , James Cook University, Townsville			
10:00 – 10:30	New and alternative schedules for rabies, Japanese encephalitis and other diseases Dr Deb Mills , Dr Deb The Travel Doctor, Brisbane	10:00 – 10:30	Forecasting vector-borne diseases using mechanistic models Mr Alec Henderson, James Cook University, Townsville			
10:30 – 11:00 (Ann St Lobby)	MORNING TEA & POSTER VIEWING					
11:00 – 12:30 Le Grand Ballroom 3)	CASE STUDIES: DISRUPTED JOURNEYS Moderator: Dr Sarah Chu, Turbot Street Medical Centre, Brisbane	11:00 – 12:30 (Lyon 1)	WORKSHOP 4: SPATIAL EPIDEMIOLOGY Organiser: Dr Behzad Kiani, The University of Queensland, Brisbane			
11:00 – 12:30	Panellists: • Prof Gerard Flaherty, University of Galway, Ireland	11:00 – 11:15	Welcome and brief overview on spatial epidemiology Dr Behzad Kiani , The University of Queensland, Brisbane			
	 Prof Anne McCarthy, University of Ottawa, Canada Prof Richard Franklin, James Cook University, Townsville Prof Marc Shaw, Worldwise Travellers Health & Vaccination Centre, Auckland 	11:15 – 11:35	Application of spatial epidemiology to enhance surveillance and support lymphatic filariasis elimination programmes Dr Beatris Mario Martin, The University of Queensland, Brisbane			
	Prof Nick Zwar, Bond University, Gold Coast	11:35 – 11:55	Human footprint is associated with shifts in the assemblages of major vector-borne diseases Dr Eloise Skinner, The University of Queensland, Brisbane			
		11:55 – 12:15	Using geospatial methods to predict soil-transmitted helminth risk in Dak Lak province, Vietnam Dr Adam Bartlett, UNSW Kirby Institute, Sydney			
		12:15 – 12:30	Spatial predictive risk mapping of lymphatic filariasis in Samoa using geostatistical modelling A/Prof Benn Sartorius, The University of Queensland, Brisbane			

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12:30 – 13:30 (Ann St Lobby) 13:30 – 15:00 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	LUNCH & POSTER VIEWING		POSTER TOUR 1: Travel medicine and vaccine Tour leader: Dr Luis Furuya-Kanamori, 12:45 – pages 10-11)		
	HEALTHY JOURNEYS Chairs: Prof Richard Franklin, James Cook University, Townsville Dr Luis Furuya-Kanamori, The University of Queensland, Brisbane	13:30 – 15:00	WORKSHOP 5: (Lyon 1) ONE HEALTH: STRONGYLOIDES Organiser: Prof Darren Gray, QIMR Berghofer QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute	WORKSHOP 6: (Lyon 2) MOLECULAR XENOMONITORING (MX) Organiser: A/Prof Gregor Devine, QIMR Berghofer	
Dr Michelle Spanevello, Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital, Brisbane		13:30 – 15:00	Introduction to <i>Strongyloides stercoralis</i> Dr Catherine Gordon , QIMR Berghofer, Brisbane	Molecular xenodiagnostics – why, where an what? Lt Col Brady McPherson, Australian Defer	
14:00 – 14:30	Sexual health and travel Dr Ken Koh , Gladstone Road Medical Centre, Brisbane		Clinical overview of strongyloidiasis Dr Wendy Page, James Cook University, Townsville	Force Malaria and Infectious Disease Instituti Brisbane	
14:30 – 15:00	Dental health and travel Dr Mohammed Shorab, James Cook University, Townsville		Clinical case of paediatric infection Dr Genevieve McKew, NSW Health, Sydney Life stages fo Strongyloides-stercoralis in clinical diagnosis A/Prof Richard Bradbury, James Cook University, Townsville CRISPR-based diagnostics for strongyloidiasis Dr Hong You, QIMR Berghofer, Brisbane	MX can provide an earlier signal of LF transmission than human surveys: a case stud from Samoa Dr Helen Mayfield, The University of Queensland, Brisbane MX metabarcoding workflows for pathogens, vectors, and vertebrates Dr Brian Johnson, QIMR Berghofer, Brisbane Murray Valley encephalitis and Japanese encephalitis surveillance in Victoria Ms Jana Batovska, Agriculture Victoria,	
	AFTERNOON TEA & POSTER VIEWING		Moxidectin for the treatment of strongyloidiasis Dr Vito Colella, University of Melbourne	Melbourne Xenosurveillance for zoonotic arboviruses in Papua New Guinea Dr David Williams, CSIRO, Geelong	

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15:30 – 17:00 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	CASE STUDIES: TRAVELLING WITH CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Moderator: Dr Sarah McGuinness, Monash University, Melbourne	15:30 – 17:00	WORKSHOP 5: (Lyon 1) ONE HEALTH: STRONGYLOIDES Sponsored by: QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute		HOP 6: (Lyon 2) JLAR XENOMONITORING
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17:00 – 18:00 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	SPONSORS AND PRIZES Chair: Prof Richard Franklin, James Cook University,	Townsville			
17:00 – 17:15	MEET THE SPONSORS				
17:15 – 17:30	PRIZES FOR BEST ABSTRACT PRESENTA EARLY/MID-CAREER RESEARCHERS AND		Spon	sored by:	Tropical Medicine and Infectious Disease
17:30 – 18:00 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	ACTM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (ACTN	// Members, face to f	face and Zoom)		
From 19:00 (Riverbar & Kitchen, Riparian Plaza)	NETWORKING DINNER FOR EARLY CARE Organiser: Ms Selina Ward, The University of Queensl			sored by:	THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND AUSTRALIA CREATE CHANGE

SUNDAY 29th SEPTEMBER, 2024

08:30 - 09:00 (Ann St Lobby)	REGISTRATION	POSTER TOUR 2 & 3 (Ann St Lobby) (See details for poster presentations on pages 10-11)		
09:00 - 10:30 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	THE 'WISEwords' TALKS Chair: Prof Marc Shaw, Worldwise Travellers Health & Vaccination Centres, Auckland	09:00-09:40	POSTER TOUR 2: Vector-borne & zoonotic diseases Tour leader: A/Prof Gregor Devine, QIMR Berghofer, Brisbane	
09:00 – 10:30	Health benefits of travel – Prof Gerard Flaherty , University of Galway, Ireland Preparing for global health activities – Prof Anne McCarthy , University of Ottawa, Canada Ten Takeaways from APTHC – Dr Sarah McGuinness , Monash University, Melbourne Deaths in travellers – Dr Luis Furuya-Kanamori , The University of Queensland, Brisbane Risky photo ops: selfies and injury – Prof Richard Franklin , James Cook University, Townsville A misplaced humanitarian aid project – Prof Marc Shaw , Worldwise Travellers Health & Vaccination Centres, Auckland	09:50-10:30	POSTER TOUR 3: Neglected tropical diseases – surveillance Tour leader: Dr Patrick Lammie, Coalition for Operational Research on Neglected Tropical Diseases (COR-NTD), USA	
10:30 – 11:00 (Ann St Lobby)	MORNING TEA			
11:00 – 12:30 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	TRAVEL-RELATED CHALLENGES Chairs: A/Prof Philip Britton, The Children's Hospital at Westmead, Sydney; Dr Deborah Mills, Dr Deb the Travel Doctor, Brisbane	POSTER TOUR 4 (See details for poster	(Ann St Lobby) presentations on pages 10-11)	
11:00 – 11:30	Malaria prevention and diagnosis Prof Anne McCarthy, University of Ottawa, Canada		POSTER TOUR 4: Neglected tropical diseases – innovative	
11:30 – 12:00	Parasitic infections: overlooked and underdiagnosed Dr Richard Bradbury, James Cook University, Townsville		approaches Tour leader: Prof Patricia Graves, James Cook University, Cairns	
12:00 – 12:30	Travellers with obesity Prof Gerard Flaherty, University of Galway, Ireland			
12:30 – 12:50 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	Travel and Tropical Medicine Quiz Hosts: Dr Stephen Muhi, University of Melbourne, Prof Anne McCarthy, University of Ottawa, Canada			
12:50 – 13:00 (Le Grand Ballroom 3)	CLOSING REMARKS Dr Sarah McGuinness, Monash University, Melbourne, Chair of Scientific Program Committee Prof Richard Franklin, James Cook University, Townsville, new ACTM President and Conference Chair			

Please Note: There may be slight changes to the program to accommodate the requests and needs of the presenters and participants.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Poster display: All posters will be displayed during the whole conference.

Poster tours: Some posters have been selected for poster tours, which will be led by an international expert in the field. At each poster, there will be a 3-minute presentation followed by a 5-minute discussion. All welcome.

Poster tour topics	Tour leaders	Date and time	Meet at	Location
Travel medicine & vaccine-preventable diseases	Dr Luis Furuya-Kanamori	Saturday, 12:45pm-1:30pm (Bring your lunch)	Poster TMV1	Bastille Room
Vector-borne diseases	A/Prof Gregor Devine	Sunday, 9:00am-9:40am	Poster VBD1	Ann Street Lobby
Neglected tropical diseases – surveillance	Dr Patrick Lammie	Sunday, 9:50am-10:30am	Poster NTD1	Ann Street Lobby
Neglected tropical diseases – innovative approaches	Prof Patricia Graves	Sunday, 11:00am-11:40am	Poster NTD5	Ann Street Lobby

Category	Poster ID	Presenter	Title	Poster Tour #
Travel medicine & vaccine- preventable diseases	TMV1	Siobhan Carroll	Incidence and risk factors for travellers' diarrhoea among short-term international adult travellers from high-income countries: a systematic review with meta-analysis of cohort studies	1
Travel medicine & vaccine- preventable diseases	TMV2	Ce Hou	Travel network analysis for infectious disease transmission in Pacific Island countries	1
Travel medicine & vaccine- preventable diseases	TMV3	Susan Heydon	Implementing the global smallpox programme in Nepal: why did it succeed?	1
Travel medicine & vaccine- preventable diseases	TMV4	Wondimeneh Shiferaw	Exploring the burden of sexually transmissible infections and blood-borne viruses in refugees and asylum seekers: Insights to inform policy and practice	1
Travel medicine & vaccine- preventable diseases	TMV5	Yan Zhu	Malaria chemoprophylaxis among travel medicine practitioners in China	1
Travel medicine & vaccine- preventable diseases	TMV6	Mikaela Seymour	Prevalence of sexually transmitted infections and positive treponemal serology in Solomon Islands guest workers in Australia	1
Vector-borne diseases	VBD1	Eloise Skinner	Unpredictable times doesn't mean unpredictable diseases; cumulative human pressures are an important predictor for the occurrence of major vector-borne diseases.	2
Vector-borne diseases	VBD2	Kien Quoc Do	Risk assessment to identify Dengue hot spots for early intervention	2
Vector-borne diseases	VBD4	Beatris Mario Martin	Exploring spatial variation in environmental and sociodemographic drivers of leptospirosis in the Dominican Republic using a geographically weighted regression	2

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Neglected tropical diseases – surveillance	NTD1	Alison Jaworski	Is Australia on track to eliminate trachoma as a public health problem by 2025? An analysis of latest prevalence data	3
Neglected tropical diseases – surveillance	NTD2	Harriet Lawford	Seroprevalence of the lymphatic filariasis antibody Bm14 six-months following mass drug administration in Samoa	3
Neglected tropical diseases – surveillance	NTD3	Adam Bartlett	Integrated surveys and mass drug administration for the control of neglected tropical diseases in Vanuatu	3
Neglected tropical diseases – surveillance	NTD4	Susana Vaz Nery	Onchocerciasis Seroprevalence In Bié Province, Angola: A Cross-Sectional Survey To Guide Efforts Towards Elimination	3
Neglected tropical diseases – innovative approaches	NTD5	Mary Lorraine Mationg	"The Magic Glasses Philippines", an educational cartoon: from science to scale	4
Neglected tropical diseases – innovative approaches	NTD6	Raffy Deray	Developing a multi disease elimination plan in the Philippines, an integrated approach to health system strengthening to accelerate elimination of malaria and neglected tropical diseases.	4
Neglected tropical diseases – innovative approaches	NTD7	Catherine Gordon	A comprehensive elimination program for <i>S. mekongi</i> elimination in Cambodia and Laos	4
Neglected tropical diseases – innovative approaches	NTD8	Alison Jaworski	South-east Asian and Pacific NTD programs' responses to the COVID-19 pandemic	4
Neglected tropical diseases	NTD9	Liuyi Chen	Seroprevalence of Antibodies to Neglected Tropical Diseases, leptospirosis, and arboviruses in the Western Pacific Region	
Neglected tropical diseases	NTD10	Selina Ward	Integrated serosurveillance of infectious diseases using multiplex bead assays: A systematic review.	
Neglected tropical diseases	NTD11	Huan Zhao	Feline strongyloidiasis: global prevalence and cross-species transmission	
Neglected tropical diseases	NTD12	Beatris Mario Martin	Infectious Diseases in the Samoan Islands: A Systematic Review of the prevalence of Neglected Tropical Diseases, Vector-Borne Diseases, Vaccine-Preventable Diseases, Blood-Borne Viruses, and Zoonotic Pathogens	
Neglected tropical diseases	NTD13	Behzad Kiani	Gentrification and infectious diseases in urban neighbourhoods: an interdisciplinary narrative review	
Neglected tropical diseases	NTD14	Suji O'Connor	Acceptability and impact of a cartoon-based helminth education package for schoolchildren in the Lower Mekong Basin	
Neglected tropical diseases	NTD15	Susana Vaz Nery	Acceptability of integrated neglected tropical diseases surveys and mass drug administration in Vanuatu	

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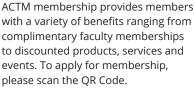


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