

## Media Alert

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## Leading neuroscience minds to meet in Hobart

Around 800 scientists and clinicians will gather in Hobart next week for the 2016 Australasian Neuroscience Society Annual Scientific Meeting.

The major international symposium will provide insight into the latest in brain research and will feature presentations by many outstanding University of Tasmania researchers, including:

- **How to improve blood flow to the brain after stroke and recovery outcomes for stroke patients** - Dr Brad Sutherland (School of Medicine)
- **Magnetic stimulation can promote the survival of the insulating brain cells that die in people with multiple sclerosis** – Dr Kaylene Young (Menziess Institute for Medical Research).
- **Traumatic brain injury and the development of neurodegenerative diseases** - Associate Professor Alison Canty and Jessica Collins (Wicking Dementia Research and Education Centre)
- **The Lawrie Austin Plenary Lecture – Progress in Alzheimer’s Disease Research** - Professor David Small (Menziess Institute for Medical Research).
- **The supercomputer that is our brain and how it develops** - Associate Professor Lisa Foa (School of Medicine)
- **Ageing with a traumatic brain injury** – Associate Professor Alison Canty and Dr Jenna Ziebell (Wicking Dementia Research and Education Centre)
- **The latest technology being used to rewire and change neural circuits** - Dr Bill Bennett (Wicking Dementia Research and Education Centre)
- **New ideas on the brain’s immune system and its involvement in Alzheimer’s disease** - Dr Katherine Southam (School of Health Sciences).

**What:** 2016 Australasian Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting;  
**When:** Sunday, December 4, to Wednesday, December 7, 2016;  
**Where:** Grand Chancellor Hotel, Hobart;  
**Time:** 9am – 7pm each day.

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