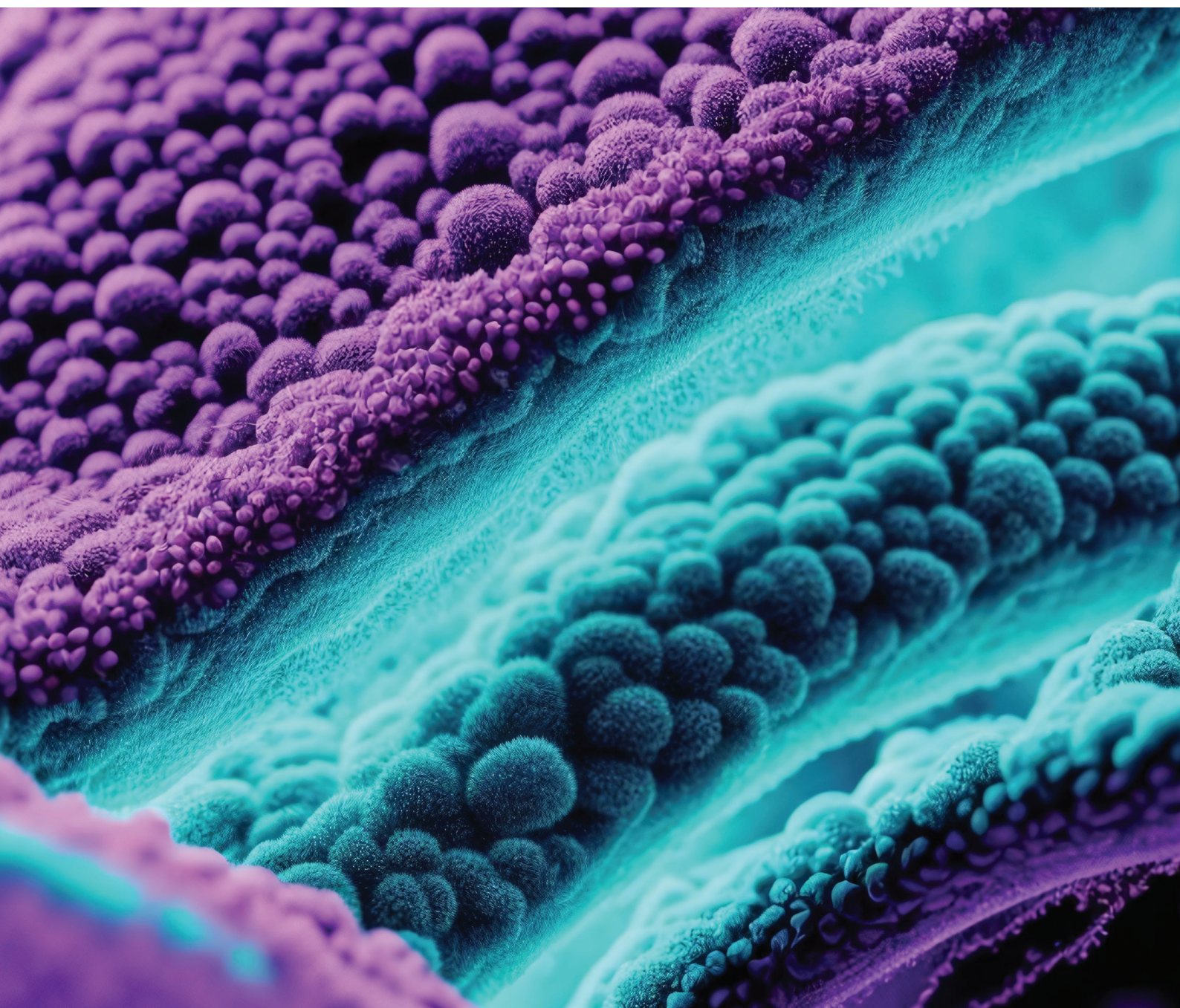


# The Nontuberculous Mycobacteria (NTM) Australian Research Network Symposium Program

Thursday November 6 and Friday November 7, 2025  
Venue: UQ Centre for Clinical Research (UQCCR)



# NTM Symposium 2025 Program

Thursday November 6

## Core Curriculum

### REGISTRATION

Welcome and patient perspective

Natural history of NTM infections

Host susceptibility and diagnostic workup

Laboratory essentials and new developments

Q&A – panel discussion

### MORNING TEA

Radiology in the diagnosis and treatment of NTM-PD: A clinician's perspective

Guidelines and management of MAC infection

Guidelines and management of *Mycobacterium abscessus* infection

NTM in transplant and the immunosuppressed

Q&A – panel discussion

### LUNCH

NTM/fungal co-infections

Extrapulmonary NTM

Adjunctive therapies and non-pharmacological approaches

Monitoring and management of drug toxicity

Q&A – panel discussion

Surgical case discussion

### NETWORKING, DRINKS AND LIGHT SUPPER

Friday November 7

## Research Focus

### REGISTRATION

Welcome

**Microbiology, biomarkers and diagnostics, host susceptibility**

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Novel antimicrobial susceptibility testing

GWAS

WGS – is it ready for prime time

Q&A – panel discussion

### MORNING TEA

#### **Clinical trial: Finding the optimal regimen for *Mycobacterium abscessus* treatment**

Introduction to the FORMaT trial

T cell study

Observation and intervention cohort demographics

Interim analysis

Gene expression study

Macrophage study

### LUNCH

#### **Therapeutics**

Ethambutol desensitization

Novel drug combinations

Post marketing evidence and practicalities for ALIS

Q&A – panel discussion

### AFTERNOON TEA AND POSTER VIEWING

#### **Treatments and trials**

NTM UK standards of care

MDT review

Setting up an NTM service

Q&A – panel discussion

