

MedCon 18th-20th June 2021

The Perth Dermatology Research Collaborative has collaborated with the WA faculty of the Australasian College of Dermatologists and we have arranged several presentations in the session allotted for the PDRC at the MedCon 2021 conference. This conference is a multidisciplinary conference held from the 18th-20th June 2021 at the Perth Convention & Exhibition Centre.

Registration is required. [Register here](#)

Summary of PDRC-WA Dermatology Faculty segment of MEDCON21

MEDCON21, the first ever inter-college medical conference in WA, was held by the Australian Medical Association (AMA) from 18th-20th June 2021 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre. The Perth Dermatology Research Collaborative (PDRC), facilitated by the WA Faculty of Dermatologists, was able to deliver a highly successful and noteworthy programme for the concurrent inter-college streams on Saturday 19 June.

The programme kicked off with a fantastic presentation by Dr Jeremy Ng on revolutionary use of hedgehog inhibitors in the treatment of locally advanced basal cell carcinoma where surgery or radiotherapy would lead to significant morbidity. This was followed with interesting data on tick borne disease in Western Australia by Dr Hina Ali Khan, and the use of sirolimus in dermatology in Western Australia by Dr Aaron Frederiks. Dr Angela Mei subsequently presented on the potentials for botanicals in the treatment of dermatophyte infections in the face of growing antifungal resistance.

After a well-deserved lunch break, an informative talk by infectious diseases specialist Dr Tom Gliddon was given on controversies and recommendations in pre-immunosuppression screening in dermatology patients. Dr Andrew McClean-Tooke, an immunologist concluded the stream impressively with fascinating insights into immunological disorders associated with cutaneous presentations.

Largely owing to Dr Austen Anderson, Chair of WA Faculty of Dermatology, and Professor Prasad Kumarasinghe, convenor of PDRC, to coordinate the presentations, the dermatology stream was well-received from multiple sources that the presentations provided were very informative and enjoyable.