

Defence Human Sciences Symposium 2024 Program

Monday, 2 December

	Opening Session
09.00 – 09.10	Call to Order and Housekeeping
09.10 – 09.15	Acknowledgement of Country
09.15 – 09.30	Opening Remarks Deakin University
09.30 – 09.40	Address from the Chief Defence Scientist, Professor Tanya Monro
09.40 – 10.15	Keynote 1
10.15 – 10.45	Morning Tea Break
	Session 1: Cognition
10:45 - 11:00	Acute hypoxia increases path integration distance and angle error, and reduces aperiodic EEG activity Michael Young
11:00 – 11:15	Managing Cognitive Overload: Real Time Assessment using Machine Learning Models Trained on Physio-Behavioural Signals Simon Hosking
11:15 - 11:30	Cognitive Fitness: reliable measurement with implications for high-pressure job performance and resilience Murat Yucel
11:30 - 11:45	Dynamic Cognitive Fitness testing for NZDF Cognitive Conditioning program: a Cognitive Gym application Ken Franks
11:45 - 12:00	Measurement reliability and validity in complex attention-control task Andrew Heathcote
12:00 - 12:15	Training human attentional control to enhance individual and team performance Shayne Loft
12.15 – 12.45	Poster Session 1A - Pitches
12.45 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13:30 – 14:00	Invited Speaker 1
	Session 2: Biomarkers and Performance
14.00 – 14.15	Molecular profiles as predictors of performance outcomes under various stressors Tony Parker

14.15 – 14.30	Predicting Cognitive Workload and Task Performance Errors during the Multi-Attribute Task Battery using Eye Gaze Gaurav Patil
14.30 – 14.45	Psychoneuroimmunological changes following an acute inflammatory response: a novel study in CAREN Prasanna Sritharan
14.45 - 15:00	Wireless and on-board sensor system for quantifying human performance in real-time Ajay Pandey
15.00- 15.15	Afternoon Tea Break
15:15 – 15:45	Poster Sessions 1B - Viewings
	Session 3: Sleep, Vision and Fatigue Management
15.45 – 16.00	The complexities of twilight flight: investigating the limits of human visual perception in dim light Kate Coffey
16.00 – 16.15	A Systematic Review of Lighting Interventions in Military Settings: Circadian Rhythms and Sleep Impacts on Performance Alisha Guyett
16.15 – 16.30	Design and evaluation of SleepSync – a personalised sleep and circadian health management app for shift workers in the Australian Defence. Prerna Varma
16.30 – 16.45	Distributed Team Performance and Cohesion during Night Operations Ellyse Greer
16.45 – 17.00	Fatigue in teams; Exploring the impact on co-located, distributed, collaborative and cooperative teams Crystal Yates
17.00 – 17.15	Mixed Reality for Countering Fatigue in Distributed Teams James Baumeister
17.15	End of Day

Tuesday 3 December	
09:00 – 9:30	Invited Speaker 2
	Session 4: Command and Control
09:30 – 09:45	Challenges in Modelling Human Elements in Command & Control Systems Rachel Mate
09:45 – 10:00	Development and Preliminary Testing of a Cognitive Load Mitigation Platform for Staff Officers Working in Command-and-Control Environments Frederick Walker
10:00 – 10:15	Lessons on Distributed Command & Control from the Russo-Ukrainian Conflict for the Australian Defence Force Michael Francis
10:15 – 10:30	Yielding tactical advantage through usability testing best-practice: Lessons learned from a usability study of the Joint Autonomy Missions System Amelia Moyes
10.30 – 11.00	Poster Session 2A - Pitches
11:00 – 11:30	Morning Tea Break
	Session 5: Human Factors
11:30 – 11:45	A Human Centred Design Concept for the JOC Control Room Peter Schumacher
11:45 – 12:00	Maximising opportunity and minimising risk – identifying human system integration considerations to drive defence procurement enabling research Craig Fletcher
12:00 – 12:15	Evaluating 3-dimensional extended reality visualisations for Anti-Submarine Warfare Tom Fahy
12:15 – 12:30	Exploring Open Systems: A Sociotechnical Problem Cayleigh Stock
12:30 – 12:45	Human Factor for Autonomous Underwater Vehicle Launch and Recovery Peter Schumacher
12:45 – 13:30	Lunch Break
13:15 – 13:45	Poster Session 2B - Viewings
	Session 6: Information Warfare
13:45 – 14:00	Divided We Fall: Exploring the Impact of Segmentation Disinformation on Defence Personnel Emma Buurmans
14:00 – 14:15	Integrated Planning for Uncertainty-Centric Pilot Assistance Systems Sabrina Caldwell
14:15 – 14:30	Making Facts Fun! Style-based interventions into online misinformation ecosystems Emily Booth

14:30 – 14:45	Visual Abstraction for Virtual Reality Training of Threat Assessment Sean Müller
14:45 – 15:00	Metacognitive training improves the quality of decision-making by increasing real-time sensitivity to decision uncertainty Dragan Rangelov
15:00 – 15:15	Special Operations Officers Use of Sensory Information for Decision-Making in Systematic Venue Clearance Minerva Westbrook
15:15 – 15:45	Afternoon Tea Break
	Session 7: Human Machine Teaming
15:45 – 16:00	Enhancing Collaborative Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning with Asymmetric Advantage of Human Behavior Bahareh Nakisa
16:00 – 16:15	Rethinking AI in Drone Warfare: A Posthuman Critical Theory Approach Anna Bohdanets
16:15 – 16:30	Teamwork potential of large language models Patrick Cooper
16:30 – 16:45	Determining Crewing Requirements for RAS Technologies Katrina Hosszu
16:45 – 17:00	Drone racing driving asymmetric advantage Keirin Joyce
17:00	End of Day

Wednesday 4 December	
09:00 – 09:30	Invited Speaker 3
09:30 – 09:45	Australian Defence Science and Universities Network (ADSUN): Driving Research Collaboration Across the Innovation Ecosystem
	Session 8: Biomechanics
09:45 – 10:00	Assessing males and females during military-relevant loads and speeds– physiological, perceptual and spatiotemporal outcomes Danielle Vickery-Howe
10:00 – 10:15	Augmented Reality display latency impacts perceptual and walking performance: Implications for Defence use of near-to-eye display technologies Jessica O'Reilly
10:15 – 10:30	Implications of Task Ambiguity for Combat Shooting Training. Jack Bale
10:30 – 10:45	Physical and physiological task demands across the Australian Army Greg Carstairs
10:45 – 11:00	The effect of biological sex on lower-limb coupling variability in military personnel Brooke Hoolihan
11:00 – 11:30	Morning Tea Break
	Session 9: Resilience and Recovery
11:30 – 11:45	Harnessing heat for healing: a novel approach to improve recovery from a concussion Joel Garrett
11:45 – 12:00	Individual readiness monitoring in the Australian Army: A real-world implementation case-study of the Acute Readiness Monitoring Scale (ARMS). Richard Keegan
12:00 – 12:15	Instrumented Mouthguards and Blood-Based Biomarkers for Enhanced Detection and Management of Head Impacts and Concussion Stuart McDonald
12:15 – 12:30	Longitudinal Pupillary Light Reflex testing as a decision support tool in concussion management – a pilot feasibility study. Gordon Waddington
12:30 – 12:45	Naturally derived peptides as host-protective treatments for severe influenza – a potential lung protective CBRN countermeasure Andrew Gearing
12:45 – 13:00	The cumulative effects of consecutive days of prolonged, physical work or activity on thermal strain: A systematic review. Dan Moore
13:00 – 13:45	Lunch Break

Session 10: Nutrition and Health	
13:45 – 14:00	Assessing the energy intake and expenditure of Australian Navy recruits during intensive periods of entry-level training: Part 2. Shannon Fizer
14:00 – 14:15	Co-designing targeted solutions for better health and performance Anna Kitunen
14:15 – 14:30	Food labels for physically active individuals Nazila Babakhani
14:30 – 14:45	Metabolic Perturbations in Australian Army Recruits undergoing Basic Military Training: An Analysis of the Multi-Stressor Environment Barnaby Frankish
14:45 – 15:00	Optimising the Warfighter Cognobiome: novel microbiome interventions to improve the cognitive performance of Warfighters Emily Hoedt
15:00 – 15:15	Break / intermission
15:15 – 15:45	Closing Ceremony Presentation of Awards Closing remarks and thanks
15:45	Conference Ends