



MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

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<p>Professor Martin Foley Former Minister for Health and Mental Health, Victoria Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences, Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Martin Foley served as the Member for Albert Park in the Victorian State Parliament from 2007 until his retirement from politics in November 2022. He played a leading role in the Andrews Labor Government in a number of Health and Social Care portfolios - most notably as the Minister for Health during the Covid-19 global pandemic and Australia's first Minister for Equality. Martin dedicated his time in public office to building the role of government in leading reform and service provision and his career has been marked by leadership in helping to shape a more equal and inclusive Australia.</p>	<p>Martin.Foley@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Mark Bellgrove Director of the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health, Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Mark Bellgrove is the Director of the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health and a Professor in Cognitive Neuroscience in the School of Psychological Sciences at Monash University. He is also Co-Chair of Monash Neuroscience, a university-wide collective of over 600 neuroscience researchers. At Monash Professor Bellgrove leads a multidisciplinary team studying the biological basis of attention and cognitive control. His laboratory comprises state-of-the-art cognitive neuroscience suites alongside molecular facilities for functional genomics. His group has made significant progress in defining the molecular genetic architecture and neurochemical drivers of attention and cognitive control. He has been at the forefront of international efforts to identify objective and quantifiable indices of genetic risk, termed endophenotypes, for ADHD.</p>	<p>Mark.Bellgrove@monash.edu Link to bio Turner Institute website</p>
<p>Professor Shantha Rajaratnam Head of School of Psychological Sciences, Victorian Heart Institute (VHI), Monash Data Futures Institute, Turner Institute for Brain & Mental Health, Monash University</p>	<p>Shantha is Professor of Sleep and Circadian Medicine and Head of the School of Psychological Sciences, He is Chair of the Sleep Health Foundation, and a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Health and Medical Sciences. He is Chair of the Monash Sleep Network. His primary research interest is in the field of sleep and circadian rhythms, and its application to occupational and clinical settings. His research program aims to investigate the role of the internal biological clock in the regulation of the sleep-wake cycle, and how disruption of the clock leads to sleep disorders and other physiological consequences.</p>	<p>Shantha.Rajaratnam@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Jayashri Kulkarni, Director of HER Centre</p>	<p>World leader in psychiatry, including the fields of schizophrenia, depression, trauma, eating disorders and women's mental health. HER Centre Australia is a major women's</p>	<p>jayashri.kulkarni@monash.edu</p>

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<p>Australia, MAPrc – the Multidisciplinary Alfred Psychiatry research centre School of Translational Medicine, Monash University</p>	<p>mental health centre (providing Health services, Education and Research in women’s mental health). Director of MAPrc – the Multidisciplinary Alfred Psychiatry research centre – where innovations in mental health treatments and approaches are developed. Also, Head, Women’s Mental Health at Cabrini Health – where Australia’s first women’s mental health hospital was established in 2021.</p>	<p>Link to bio Thought leadership articles</p>
<p>Professor Suresh Sundram Professor, Psychiatry Monash Health, Victorian Heart Institute (VHI), Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Suresh Sundram is the Head, Department of Psychiatry, School of Clinical Sciences, Monash University and Director of Research, Mental Health Program, Monash Health. He has been investigating the molecular pathology of schizophrenia and related psychotic disorders using pharmacological, neurochemical and neuropathological approaches. He heads the Translational Molecular Psychiatry and the Asylum Seeker and Refugee Mental Health research at Monash University. He served as deputy editor for the Asian Journal of Psychiatry and is an advisor to the UN, national and state governments.</p>	<p>Suresh.Sundram@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Megan Galbally Program Director, Mental Health, Monash Health and Professor/Director Centre for Women’s and Children’s Mental Health Monash University, School of Clinical Sciences at Monash Health</p>	<p>Professor/Director for the Centre for Women’s and Children’s Mental Health a clinically focused research centre at Monash Health and Monash University. Program Director of Mental Health Program at Monash Health, the largest mental health service in Victoria delivering mental health services across the lifespan for south east Melbourne. Consultant Psychiatrist and researcher working in perinatal and women’s mental health. National Chair of the Section of Perinatal and Infant Psychiatry leading the development of an advanced training in perinatal and women’s psychiatry and also Chair of the Gender Equity Working Group leading the first gender equity action plan within RANZCP.</p>	<p>Megan.Galbally@monash.edu Link to bio Thought leadership articles</p>
<p>Professor Helen Skouteris, Head of the Health and Social Care Unit Monash University, School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine</p>	<p>Professor Helen Skouteris is the foundational Monash Warwick Professor in Health and Social Care Improvement and Implementation Science and an expert in developmental psychology working across the lifespan to improve health and well-being for Australians living with most disadvantage. She is building agency in women children and adolescents. She is Director and Principal Investigator of the national Centre of Research Excellence in Health in Preconception and Pregnancy and CIB (second named investigator) on the Centre of Research Excellence in Science Translation for e-Psychological Perinatal Supports. Helen is Head of the Health and Social Care Unit, Monash University, School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, with her team leading large scale implementation and scale up projects across health, community</p>	<p>helen.skouteris@monash.edu Link to bio Thought leadership articles</p>

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	<p>services and education to improve outcomes for children, adolescents, women and families, especially for those living with pervasive socio-economic disadvantage.</p>	
<p>Professor Antonio Verdejo-Garcia Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Antonio's research focuses on the cognitive and neural mechanisms underpinning executive control and decision-making, and their implications for substance and behavioural addictions, compulsive eating and obesity. He has published > 290 peer-reviewed articles, edited a book on Cognition & Addiction (Academic Press, 2020), and his research has been continuously funded via national and international competitive research schemes. His work has attracted over 17,000 citations. He sits on the Editorial Board of the journals: Addiction (#1 in the Substance Abuse category of the Journal Citation Reports rank), PLoS One, The American Journal of Drug and Alcohol Abuse, Current Addiction Reports, and Addictions.</p>	<p>Antonio.Verdejo@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Julie Stout Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Julie leads the StoutLab at the Turner Institute, a team of post-docs, students, and IT specialists, employing techniques from neuropsychology and cognitive neuroscience to characterise the effects of neurodegeneration on cognition and brain function. Her research group is known for innovations in assessments using computerised and sensor-based approaches. She is a leading international expert in Huntington's Disease. Her team has led the cognitive component of several large, international studies, which have described the cognitive, motor, psychiatric, and brain imaging changes in people with the Huntington's Disease gene as they progress from normal functioning to manifest Huntington's Disease.</p>	<p>Julie.Stout@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Ellie Fossey Occupational Therapy, School of Primary and Allied Health Care Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Ellie Fossey is a Lived Experience Ally and Head of Occupational Therapy in the School of Primary and Allied Health Care, Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Monash University. Professor Ellie Fossey completed her professional qualification in occupational therapy at Dorset House School of Occupational Therapy (now part of Oxford Brookes University) in England in 1980; graduated from City University, London with a Master degree in Health Psychology in 1993; and completed a Doctor of Philosophy at The University of Melbourne in 2009. She has worked as an occupational therapist in mental health services in London (UK), New Zealand and Australia, predominantly in community teams, supported housing and employment programs. Her academic career in occupational therapy began at the University of South Australia and includes undergraduate and postgraduate teaching and research at</p>	<p>Ellie.Fossey@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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	<p>Coventry University and La Trobe University, prior to joining Monash University in 2015. She is a member of the Australia and New Zealand Occupational Therapy Mental Health Academics (ANZOTMHA) Steering Group; The Mental Health Services Conference of Australia and New Zealand (TheMHS) Network; and the National Mental Health Achievement Awards Assessment panel.</p>	
<p>Dr Michelle Kehoe Dept of Occupational Therapy Monash University</p>	<p>Michelle is a psychology lecturer and researcher within the Department of Occupational Therapy. Her current projects are improving the mental health of Victorians in response to the Royal Commission into Mental Health. Michelle's focus is on qualitative research that explores evidence-based interventions to enhance well-being and mental health. She has extensive experience in co-design and co-production methods along with conducting research with vulnerable populations, in particular children and adolescents. She has a keen interest in mental health recovery and the inclusion of lived-experience voices in education and research.</p>	<p>Michelle.Kehoe@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Marie Yap Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health, School of Psychological Sciences, Monash Data Futures Institute, Monash University</p>	<p>Dr Marie Yap is an Associate Professor (Research) and Psychologist with expertise in parenting and youth mental health. Her research interests in parenting are two-fold: 1) increasing our understanding of specific family processes and the mechanisms by which they influence young people's mental health; and 2) translating existing research evidence into credible, accessible resources for parents to help them reduce their child's risk of developing mental health problems. She is the lead investigator of the Parenting Strategies program www.parentingstrategies.net, which has been developed to provide parents with actionable strategies endorsed by research evidence and experts in the field to help them protect their child's mental health.</p>	<p>Marie.Yap@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Dan Lubman Turning Point Monash Addiction Research Centre Melbourne Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Dan Lubman AM has worked across mental health and drug treatment settings in both the UK and Australia. He is Director of Turning Point, Australia's leading national addiction treatment, research and education centre, inaugural Director of the Monash Addiction Research Centre and Professor of Addiction Studies and Services at Monash University. Dr Lubman's research is wide-ranging and includes investigating the harms associated with alcohol, drugs and gambling, the impact of alcohol and drug use on brain function, the relationship between substance use, gambling and mental disorder, as well as the development of targeted telephone, online and face-to-face intervention programs within community, school, primary care, mental health and drug treatment settings.</p>	<p>Dan.Lubman@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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<p>Professor Aron Shlonsky Department of Social Work, School of Primary and Allied Health Care, Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Aron Shlonsky is known internationally for his work in child and youth services, particularly in the generation, synthesis and implementation of evidence to inform decision-making in practice and policy in the child and family services field. He has authored and co-authored numerous other books, peer-reviewed articles and government reports in the child protection and family services areas including decision-making and risk assessment in child welfare, youth justice and domestic violence services, the predictors and effects of sibling separation in foster care, issues surrounding kinship foster care, and the teaching and implementation of evidence-informed practice</p>	<p>Aron.Shlonsky@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Darryl Maybery School of Rural Health Monash University</p>	<p>Darryl is the Director of Research and Professor of Rural Mental Health in Monash University's School of Rural Health. For 15 years, he was a mental health clinician and psychologist in the areas of drug and alcohol counselling, prison psychology and employee assistance. His research projects include rural, urban and international collaborations with a focal research area in relation to vulnerable families, particularly those affected by parental mental illness, including carers and family.</p>	<p>darryl.maybery@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Bei Bei Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health, School of Psychological Sciences, Monash University</p>	<p>Dr Bei Bei is an Associate Professor at Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health, Clinical Psychologist and Research Lead at Monash University Healthy Sleep Clinic. Her research and clinical work focus on the individual differences in sleep-wake behaviours, the relationship between sleep and mental health, and making evidence-based psychological interventions for better sleep more widely available to the community. She is particularly interested in research around sleep, circadian rhythms, sleep disorders, insomnia, cognitive behavioural therapy for sleep problems, relationship between sleep and mental health. She has extensive experience in randomised controlled trials that tested effectiveness of non-pharmacological interventions in pregnancy and postpartum and expertise in adolescent sleep and circadian rhythm. Dr Bei Bei oversees behavioural sleep medicine program at the Monash University Healthy Sleep Clinic.</p>	<p>bei.bei@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Melissa Petrakis Group Director, Social Work Innovation, Transformation and Collaboration in Health (SWITCH) Research Group,</p>	<p>Associate Professor Melissa Petrakis is a Lived Experience Ally and Family Carers and Director of SWITCH Research Group at Monash University, Department of Social Work. She has worked in mental health services for over 30 years, as a counsellor, clinician, manager, then practice-based researcher. She has authored over 100 publications and is a highly sought-after speaker nationally and internationally. She was Chief Investigator of a 10-year longitudinal study into evidence-based early psychosis treatment, with St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne). In 2016 she was awarded The Tom Trauer Evaluation and</p>	<p>melissa.petrakis@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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Department of Social Work, Monash University	Research Award, Australian and New Zealand The MHS Awards, acknowledging excellence in her approach to research, championing co-design, co-production and co-authorship, with clinicians and people with lived experience of mental illness. Associate Professor Petrakis' career focus in research is to excellence in mental health services research. She has a particular emphasis on the implementation of evidence-based practice (EBP), conducting practice-based research (PBR), and the fostering of practitioner-researcher opportunities for skilled clinicians. She is actively engaged in supporting lived experience voices in research, and in co-design and co-production with emerging consumer and carer researchers, working as an ally to foster, promote and elevate the leadership of people with lived and living experience.	
Dr Cammi Marrup-Stewart Turner Institute for Brain & Mental Health, Monash University	Dr Cammi Murrup-Stewart is Aboriginal woman with close ties to Wurundjeri Country and a family history impacted by the Stolen Generation policies. A Senior Lecturer and researcher in the School of Psychological Sciences and the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health, Monash University, Cammi leads the Murrup Bung-allambee Indigenous Psychology Group. Her research focuses on the social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal youth, with an emphasis on building the strategies young mob have for improving their wellbeing and mental health, using Indigenous methodologies, and supporting Indigenous students pursuing higher education. Her research aims to centre the voices of Indigenous peoples and other marginalised groups.	cammi.murrup-stewart@monash.edu Link to bio

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<p>Professor Cathy Mihalopoulos Monash University Health Economics Group (MUHEG), School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Monash University.</p>	<p>Professor Cathy Mihalopoulos is head of the inaugural Monash University Health Economics Group (MUHEG) within the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Monash University. She is nationally and internationally recognised for her expertise in the use of economic evaluation techniques (both within trial and modelled), particularly within the context of mental health. Within Australia, she leads the largest group of academic health economists specialising in the economics of mental health and psychosocial care, consisting of staff funded entirely on research income.</p>	<p>Cathy.Mihalopoulos@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Alex Collie Healthy Working Lives Research Group and the Division of Health Systems, Services and Policy in the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Monash University.</p>	<p>Professor Collie is Director of the Healthy Working Lives Research Group and the Division of Health Systems, Services and Policy in the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine. He is also President of the Scientific Committee on Work Disability Prevention for the International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH), the peak global scientific body for work and health research; Chair of the Living Labs program for the Australian National Centre for Healthy Ageing; and a member of the Australian Research Council College of Experts. Alex is also an ARC Future Fellow (2020 to 2024) and a Churchill Fellow. Professor Collie is an applied public health and social policy scholar. His research and teaching focus on work injury rehabilitation, occupational health and social protection schemes for personal injury. He leads a multidisciplinary, mixed methods research program set in Australian and international personal injury schemes such as workers' compensation, motor vehicle crash compensation and disability insurance.</p>	<p>Alex.Collie@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Suzanne Nielsen Monash Addiction Research Centre Melbourne Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Suzanne Nielsen is the Deputy Director of the Monash Addiction Research Centre in Melbourne. She has published over 180 peer-reviewed publications and given over 80 national and international invited conference presentations. Her research has led to a greater understanding of how to identify and respond to prescription, over-the-counter and illicit drug-related harm. She has informed legislative change in Australia to reduce pharmaceutical drug harm (e.g. rescheduling of codeine and alprazolam), expanded overdose prevention with naloxone in primary care settings, and informed clinical guidelines on the use of opioid agonist treatment for prescribed opioids dependence.</p>	<p>Suzanne.Nielsen@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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<p>Professor Peter Anderson Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Peter is the Lead of the Neurodevelopment Research Program at the Turner Institute, Group Leader of the Victorian Infant Brain Studies (VIBeS) team based at the Murdoch Children's Research Institute, Professorial Fellow in the Department of Paediatrics at the University of Melbourne, and Adjunct Scientist at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Peter's research focuses on understanding brain and cognitive development following early brain insults, and for the past 20 years his program has centered on neonatal conditions, especially infants born very preterm. His research is internationally known for integrating neuroimaging in prospective longitudinal studies of sick neonates. He is also heavily involved in large longitudinal observational studies, designing and evaluating the benefits of early intervention and cognitive training programs, and assessing the long-term consequences of perinatal interventions.</p>	<p>Peter.J.Anderson@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Jennie Ponsford Lead of the Brain Injury Rehabilitation theme Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Jennie Ponsford is the Director of the Monash-Epworth Rehabilitation Research Centre, which aims to conduct research in trauma rehabilitation, with a view to reducing long-term disability. Over 30 psychologists and researchers are associated with the centre and form a dynamic research team. The Centre research includes investigating outcome after moderate and severe traumatic brain injury, in terms of psychosocial functioning, employment, cognition, coping, pain, psychiatric health, sexual functioning, and family relationships. Developing effective management protocols has been a recent focus of the work of the Centre, including management of patients in PTA, rehabilitation of cognitive and behavioural dysfunction, and development and evaluation of community-based models of rehabilitation.</p>	<p>Jennie.Ponsford@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Jane Fisher Finkel Professor of Global Health, Director of Women and Global Health and Clinical Psychologist, Monash University, School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine. Monash Partners Women's and Children's Health Steering Committee</p>	<p>Finkel Professor of Global Health and Clinical Psychologist, Jane Fisher leads the Women and Global Health group to generate evidence to explain health inequalities experienced by women in their local and global contexts; translate research to promote health and improve health services, and build capacity through supervision and mentorship. The group's work is informed by a social determinants' framework with specific consideration of gender-based risks, including experiences of violence across the life course and a disproportionate burden of unpaid work. She is an international expert in women's mental health, with a specific focus on prevention of and early intervention for mental health problems in community-based approaches.</p>	<p>jane.fisher@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p> <p>Thought leadership articles</p>

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<p>Professor Sean P.A Drummond Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Sean is the Director of Research Programs and Infrastructure for the School of Psychological Sciences. He has three main arms to his program of research: 1) cognitive neuroscience of sleep and sleep deprivation; 2) treatment of insomnia, especially in comorbid psychopathology; and 3) translational research examining the mechanistic role sleep plays in PTSD and mood disorders. With respect to cognitive neuroscience, his studies manipulate sleep deprivation in healthy adults and measure the consequent cognitive and cerebral changes through behavioural and cognitive testing, functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI), and EEG. His work also includes healthy older adults and clinical populations such as obstructive sleep apnoea and insomnia. He is interested in a number of cognitive performance domains, particularly decision making, attention, executive function (broadly defined) and learning/memory.</p>	<p>Sean.Drummond@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Alex Fornito Monash Data Future Institute and Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Alex is currently a Laureate Fellow of the Australian Research Council, Professor in the School of Psychological Sciences, and Head of the Brain Mapping and Modelling Research Program and Neural Systems and Behaviour Lab at the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health, Monash University. His research develops new approaches to mapping and modelling the human brain in health and disease. In particular, his work focuses on understanding foundational principles of brain organisation and their genetic basis, characterising brain disturbances in psychiatric disorders, and understanding how individual variability in brain structure and function relate to behaviour.</p>	<p>Alex.Fornito@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Amy Brodtmann Lead of the Cognitive Health Initiative, Department of Neuroscience, Central Clinical School, Monash University</p>	<p>Amy leads the Cognitive Health Initiative in the Department of Neuroscience, School of Translational Medicine, Monash University. She is a cognitive neurologist, with a research background in stroke, neuroimaging and dementia. She examines vascular contributions to late-life cognition, with a specific interest in modifiable risk and identifying interventions to prevent post-stroke dementia and pathological cognitive ageing. She aims to improve the diagnostic pathway for people with dementia and their carers by developing novel biomarkers.</p>	<p>Amy.Brodtmann@monash.edu Link to bio</p>

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<p>Professor Richelle Mychasiuk Department of Neuroscience, Central Clinical School, Monash University</p>	<p>Richelle has created an internationally recognised laboratory for the study of neurodevelopmental plasticity, that uses extensive behavioural, epigenetic, imaging and neuropathological techniques to examine the influences of early experiences on long-term outcomes. She is particularly interested in understanding how early environmental manipulations (i.e. stress, drug exposure, diet) modify brain development and recovery from brain injury, as well as the risk for chronic pain and mental health disorders. In addition, she closely collaborates with the STM departments of Gastroenterology and Immunology as part of the new GIN (Gastroenterology-Immunology-Neuroscience) initiative which is designed to further understand the gut-brain-immune axis and rapidly translate research from the bench to the bedside. She is part of the Monash Trauma group, that aims to study the effects, underlying pathophysiological mechanisms, biomarkers, and treatments of trauma related conditions including TBI, concussion, PTSD, epilepsy, polytrauma, fracture, muscle injury, heterotopic ossification, and pain.</p>	<p>Richelle.Mychasiuk@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p> <p>Monash Trauma Group</p>
<p>Professor Sandy Shultz Department of Neuroscience, Central Clinical School, Monash University</p>	<p>Sandy is an Associate Professor in the Van Cleef Centre for Nervous Diseases, Department of Neuroscience, within the School of Translational Medicine, and Group leader of the Shultz research lab. His research focuses on the effects, underlying pathophysiological mechanisms, biomarkers, and treatments of traumatic brain injury (TBI) and related conditions. He is the chair of Monash Trauma group, that aims to study the effects, underlying pathophysiological mechanisms, biomarkers, and treatments of trauma related conditions including TBI, concussion, PTSD, epilepsy, polytrauma, fracture, muscle injury, heterotopic ossification, and pain.</p>	<p>Sandy.Shultz@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p> <p>Monash Trauma Group</p>
<p>Professor Nellie Georgiou-Karistianis Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Nellie heads the Georgiou-Karistianis Experimental Neuropsychology Research Unit within the Turner Institute of Brain and Mental Health. She is internationally renowned for her pioneering work in Huntington’s disease (HD) and Friedreich ataxia (FA), and has discovered novel biomarkers for tracking disease progression now being used in early drug development to inform clinical trials. Her work has provided new insights paving the way in how we examine and treat these diseases at the brain, cognitive and motor levels.</p>	<p>Nellie.Georgiou-Karistianis@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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<p>Professor Nao Tsuchiya Monash Data Future Institute and Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Nao is a neuroscientist who leads the Monash Neuroscience of Consciousness (MoNoC) at the Turner Institute, researching how our subjective conscious experience emerges from physical electrochemical activity in the brain. His current projects focus on the behavioural effects and neuronal correlates of conscious and non-conscious processing, the clarification of differences and relationship of the neuronal mechanisms of consciousness and attention, the analysis of multi-channel neurophysiological data to understand the neuronal mechanisms of consciousness and the testing and developing quantitative theories of consciousness using empirical neuronal data.</p>	<p>Naotsugu.Tsuchiya@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Danielle Mazza Department of General Practice School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Monash University</p>	<p>Danielle holds the Chair of General Practice at Monash University and is a nationally and internationally recognised leader in women’s health, implementation research and knowledge translation in the general practice setting. Over the course of her career Professor Mazza has advanced general practice through her significant, sustained and ongoing contributions as a researcher and educator in the field of women’s sexual and reproductive health, as a proponent of evidence-based quality improvement and through her leadership of and contribution to the development and implementation of key general practice guidelines used nationwide. As a leading clinician researcher, advocate and educator on women’s health care, Professor Mazza has an unflagging commitment to improving the quality of sexual and reproductive health care provided to women by GPs.</p>	<p>Danielle.Mazza@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Susan Davis Monash University Women’s Health Research Program and Head of the Women’s Endocrine Clinic, Alfred Hospital Melbourne Monash University, School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine</p>	<p>Susan is Head, Monash University Women’s Health Research Program and Head of the Women’s Endocrine Clinic, Alfred Hospital Melbourne. She is an internationally recognised expert on hormones and ageing, including menopause and prevention of its adverse health sequelae. Her epidemiological research across the full adult female lifespan focuses on determinants of physical and psychological wellbeing, including sexual wellbeing. Her clinical trials program investigates the potential of hormones to improve women’s cardiometabolic health, cognition, bone and muscle health, and sexual function.</p>	<p>susan.davis@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Philip Mendes Social Inclusion and Social Policy Research Unit (SISPRU) Department of Social Work, School of Primary and Allied Health Care, Monash University</p>	<p>Philp Philip is the Director of the Social Inclusion and Social Policy Research Unit in the Department of Social Work. His key research areas include young people transitioning from out-home-care, income support including compulsory income management, social workers and policy practice, illicit drugs policy, Indigenous social policy, and Jewish community responses to institutional child sexual abuse. He is a member of the Transitions to Adulthood for Young People Leaving Public Care International Research</p>	<p>Philip.Mendes@monash.edu Link to bio</p>

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	<p>Group, and won the 2019 Faculty of Medicine Dean's Award for Excellence in Research Impact.</p>	
<p>Professor Victoria Manning Research and Workforce Development, Turning Point and Addiction Studies, Monash University</p>	<p>Victoria is the Head of Research and Workforce Development at Turning Point. She is a chartered psychologist (UK) and holds a PhD on neurocognition and co-occurring disorders. Over the past two decades she has worked as a clinical researcher in addictions in the UK, Asia and Australia. Her research portfolio includes clinical trials, intervention studies, training and prevalence and treatment outcome studies. Her research portfolio includes psychological, neurocognitive, pharmacological and peer-based trials and she is a lecturer on the Graduate Program of Addictive Behaviours course at Monash University and PhD supervisor.</p>	<p>Victoria.Manning@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Niels Buus School of Nursing and Midwifery, Monash University</p>	<p>Niels is a mental health nurse with a keen interest in developing collaborative approaches to supporting families and communities. Awarded the Nordentoft Prize by the Danish Association for Education and Prevention of Suicide in 2018 for his work, Niels has been involved in several projects in suicide prevention both nationally and internationally including the launch of the Centre for Family Based Mental Health Care at St Vincent's, New South Wales, Australia in collaboration with Sydney University. A specialist in qualitative research and qualitative research methodology, Niels is particularly interested in critical health research and ethnographic theories and methods, with a broad research profile within health services research, which as well as suicide prevention, includes treatment adherence to antidepressants, low back pain and cardiac rehabilitation, and social equity in care. Niels has a special interest in the development of holistic psychosocial interventions that seek to activate patients' and their social network members' own resources and is leading an international research group exploring the adoption, implementation, and practices of Open Dialogue and similar systemic approaches to psychotherapies.</p>	<p>Niels.Buus@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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<p>Professor Marcello Rosa Physiology Monash Biomedicine Discovery Institute Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Marcello Rosa is the Head of Monash BDI's Neuroscience Program, and Head of the Structure, function and plasticity of the cerebral cortex Lab. The Monash BDI Neuroscience Program brings together expertise from across the spectrum of Neuroscience research from cellular and systems neuroscience, through to identifying and testing new treatment options. current research addresses the organisation of the cerebral cortex, with special emphasis on the visual system. His research is focused on mapping the location of the different areas of the cortex, defining how these areas connect to each other to form a complex cellular circuit, understanding how the electrical activity in these areas generates our perception, and investigating how the brain changes in response to injury and disease.</p>	<p>Marcello.Rosa@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Professor Paul Fitzgerald Adjunct Professor (Research) Department of Psychiatry (STM) Monash University</p>	<p>Professor Paul Fitzgerald is Director of the Epworth Centre for Innovation in Mental Health at the Epworth Clinic / Epworth Health Care and Professor of Psychiatry at Monash University. He is a qualified psychiatrist. Professor Fitzgerald runs a substantive research program across both MAPrc and Epworth Clinic utilising brain stimulation and neuroimaging techniques including transcranial magnetic stimulation, functional and structural MRI, EEG and near infrared spectroscopy. The primary focus of this program is on the development of new brain stimulation-based treatments for psychiatric disorders. There is a special focus on severe or treatment resistant depression but treatments are also being investigated in other disorders including schizophrenia, obsessive- compulsive disorder, chronic pain, PTSD, Alzheimer's disease and autism spectrum disorders. Researchers within the team have conducted over 20 clinical trials across these conditions as well as a large number of investigative studies. In support of the development of new treatments, his research is also focused on the conduct of investigative studies of brain function & dysfunction in these disorders. These studies aim to better characterise brain changes underlying the symptoms of psychiatric disorders to directly improve the application of novel therapies. In addition, he is also looking to develop and improve the devices used in the application of brain stimulation.</p>	<p>Paul.Fitzgerald@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Prof John Su Adjunct Clinical Professor, Eastern Health Clinical School Research</p>	<p>John is a founding member of the Australasian Paediatric Dermatology Group, has been on the international taskforce of the Paediatric Dermatology Research Alliance, is a councillor of the International Eczema Council, and a member of the International Society of Atopic Dermatitis, where he serves in the OPENED group.</p>	<p>John.Su@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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	Particular research interests in which he has published include atopic dermatitis, psoriasis, clinical trials, vascular anomalies, artificial intelligence, genodermatoses, autoimmune and autoinflammatory systemic diseases, quality of life, mental health and wellbeing.	
Adjunct Professor Maurice Eisenbruch Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Professor Maurice Eisenbruch has postgraduate qualifications in psychological medicine, psychology, and child psychiatry, medical anthropology, and education. His research on depressed mothers and their children earned him a doctorate from the University of Melbourne. His clinical practice is informed by experience and evidence coming from a wide range of research. His research includes cultural aspects of mental health, cancer, diabetes, and early childhood. He had headed a research program on violence in Cambodia, with funding from an Australian Research Council Linkage Project grant and the Berghof Foundation in Germany. Currently, he is an award-holder from the World Bank Group / Sexual Violence Research Initiative, and leads a project with Culture4Change in the Netherlands and RACHA in Cambodia, which focuses on Buddhist monks and female devotees in helping to mitigate and prevent Gender Based Violence including sexual violence against girls and boys.	Maurice.Eisenbruch@monash.edu Link to bio
Emeritus Professor Bruce Tonge Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Emeritus Professor Tonge has a distinguished record of teaching and research in child psychiatry. He established and directed the internationally recognised Monash University Centre for Developmental Psychiatry and Psychology. He has research and teaching interests in the area of developmental psychiatry with a particular focus in the areas of Autism Spectrum Disorders and behavioural and emotional disturbance in children and adolescents with intellectual disability and treatment outcome studies in childhood anxiety and depressive disorders.	Bruce.Tonge@monash.edu Link to bio
Emeritus Professor Daniel O'Connor Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Professor O'Connor is Head of the Aged Mental Health Research Unit based at Kingston Centre. He has published over 80 papers and chapters on epidemiology, the recognition and management of dementia and depression in general medical practice, non-pharmacological treatments of behaviour disorders in dementia, and service evaluation. Major topics of interest at present concern ECT as a treatment of severe late-life depression and nursing home psychiatry. He teaches undergraduate and postgraduate students, supervises doctoral students, lectures widely in Victoria and interstate, and is chair of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists Faculty of Psychiatry of Old Age. He is now head of the Dementia Collaborative Research Centre -	Daniel.OConnor@monash.edu Link to bio

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	Assessment and Better Care node concerning behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia.	
Emeritus Professor Paul Mullen Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Emeritus Professor Paul Mullen is Professor of Forensic Psychiatry, with affiliations with the Victorian Institute of Forensic Mental Health & Department of Psychological Medicine, Monash University, Melbourne. He spent a decade involved in research into the human pineal gland and the impact of the sleep wake cycle on hormonal rhythms. He later moved on to epidemiological research studying the impact of child sexual abuse, staking victimisation and the relationship between psychotic illness and criminal behaviours.	paul.mullen@monash.edu Link to bio
Emeritus Prof David Kissane Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	David is an academic psychiatrist, psycho-oncology researcher and author. His academic interests include group, couples and family psychotherapy trials, communication skills training, studies of existential distress, and the ethics of end-of-life care. He developed a cognitive-existential model of group therapy for women with early stage breast cancer, which ameliorated fear of recurrence, and his trial of supportive-expressive group therapy for advanced breast cancer showed the prevention of depression alongside improved quality of life. He is best known for his model of family therapy delivered to at risk' families during palliative care, which prevents complicated grief and depression in bereavement. His work on demoralisation as a variation of depression in the medically ill has preceded interventions to promote meaning-based coping.	David.Kissane@monash.edu Link to bio
Associate Professor Yen Ying Lim Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University	Lim is the primary investigator of the Healthy Brain Project (healthybrainproject.org.au) and the Better Brains Trial (betterbrains.org.au), and a senior scientist at the Australian Imaging, Biomarkers and Lifestyle (AIBL) study. Her primary research interests are in integrating and translating the effects of genetic, biological, and lifestyle factors on cognitive decline and clinical disease progression in Alzheimer's disease. She is also interested in the development and validation of web-based cognitive tests for the early detection of cognitive dysfunction in preclinical Alzheimer's disease.	yenyong.Lim@monash.edu Link to bio
Associate Professor Darshini Ayton Health and Social Care Unit at the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Monash University	Associate Professor Darshini Ayton is the Deputy Head of the Health and Social Care Unit at the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine and is leading the Health and Social Care Unit ageing and health services research work. Her program of research links acute care to community and residential aged care and encompasses dementia prevention, innovative diagnostics for dementia and sector-spanning models of care to improve quality of care and quality of life. She has a strong track record in health and	Darshini.Ayton@monash.edu Link to bio

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	social care research and methodological approaches including qualitative research, consumer and community involvement, clinical registries, randomised controlled trials and implementation science.	
Associate Professor Bernadette Ward School of Rural Health, Monash University	Bernadette has extensive experience in quantitative and qualitative research in relation to alcohol and other drugs and service access in rural and remote areas. Bernadette was awarded an NHMRC scholarship to undertake her PhD "The role of parents in influencing adolescent alcohol use". In addition to her other alcohol-based research, she is Chief Investigator on a MRFF funded study examining how to support parents who use methamphetamine. This is linked to her role as Chief Investigator on a 5-year NHMRC funded study of people who use methamphetamine. Bernadette's role in the Centre of Research Excellence in Rural and Remote Primary Health Care led to her expertise in service access and equity; a new focus for researchers examining health care in rural and remote areas.	Bernadette.Ward@monash.edu Link to bio
Associate Professor Rachel Hill Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Rachel is an NHMRC Career Development Fellow and head of the Behavioural Neuroscience laboratory, Department of Psychiatry, Monash Medical Centre. She leads the Behavioural Neuroscience lab, working toward better treatments for psychiatric disorders. Psychiatric disorders are thought to be caused by a combination of genetic and environmental disturbances or 'risk-factors'. The Behavioural Neuroscience laboratory models these risk factors in mice to understand at the molecular, physiological and behavioural level how these disturbances contribute to mental health. In her research she uses a number of different techniques, including genetic manipulation, mouse behavioural testing, molecular biology, in vivo electrophysiology and human clinical studies.	Rachel.Hill@monash.edu Link to bio
Associate Prof Danny Hills School of Nursing and Midwifery, Monash University	Danny is a Registered Nurse with considerable experience as a clinician, manager and educator in mental health and clinical governance, both in rural and metropolitan community and hospital settings. His primary research interests are in health and aged care services and workforce development, workplace aggression, mental health and well-being, and ageing.	Danny.Hills@monash.edu Link to bio

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<p>Associate Professor Gemma Sharp Lead, Body Image & Eating Disorders Research Group (Department of Neuroscience, Central Clinical School) Research Lead & Senior Clinical Psychologist, State-wide Women's Mental Health Service (Alfred Health)</p>	<p>Gemma is a national and international leader in the fields of body image and eating disorders. She established and leads the Body Image & Eating Disorders Research Group in the Department of Neuroscience.</p> <p>The multidisciplinary research she leads ranges from understanding the biological mechanisms of eating disorders and novel drug discovery all the way through to the development of innovative psychologist assistant tools using generative artificial intelligence. All of the team's research is co-designed with people with a lived experience of eating disorders to ensure it meets their unique needs. A/Prof Sharp's ultimate goal is to provide personalised medicine for people experiencing eating disorders from a biological, psychological and social approach.</p>	<p>gemma.sharp@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Rene Stolwyk Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>A passionate scientist-practitioner, A/Prof Stolwyk enjoys working at the nexus of research, clinical practice and clinical education. From a research perspective, A/Prof Stolwyk leads Stroke and Telehealth research within the Monash-Epworth Rehabilitation Research Centre. He supervises a team of 12 research fellows, research officers and doctoral students and has published over 70 scientific works aimed at improving cognitive and mood outcomes for survivors of brain injury. He is the founder and clinical lead of the Monash Tele Neuropsychology Service, a world first initiative using digital health technology to facilitate access to much-needed neuropsychological assessment and rehabilitation services to rural neurology patients throughout Australia. A/Prof Stolwyk is also convenor of the Clinical PhD (Clinical Neuropsychology) training program at Monash University. He leads a team of highly-skilled educators providing excellence in clinical training to the next generation of Australian neuropsychologists.</p>	<p>Rene.Stolwyk@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Judy Hope Monash University Eastern Health Clinical School Research</p>	<p>A/Professor Judy Hope is a psychiatrist and researcher in mental health services, suicide prevention and psychopharmacology. Prof Hope has worked extensively across public and private services, focusing on research that underpins high quality service delivery and psychopharmacological care of people with mental health challenges.</p>	<p>Judith.Hope@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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<p>Associate Professor Jane Enticott Monash Centre for Health Research & Implementation, Monash University</p>	<p>Associate Professor Enticott is a biostatistician and translational clinical research expert with a strong track record in research informing policy to support equitable and effective health services. Jane has established a research program focused on big data analytics and the learning health system, working closely with clinical researchers, service providers and policy makers. Her program supports heterogeneous clinical disciplines and she has a strong research interest in mental health. Her latest publication includes <i>Mental health systems modelling for evidence-informed service reform in Australia. Alliance for Mental Health Systems Modelling.</i></p>	<p>Joanne.Enticott@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Trevor Chong Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Trevor is a neurologist and cognitive neuroscientist. His research focuses on cognitive impairments affecting individuals across a broad range of neurological diseases. His Cognitive Neurology Laboratory at Monash University seeks to understand the neurobiology of learning, memory and decision-making in healthy individuals, and how these processes are impacted by neurological illness. Trevor's research bridges the domains of basic cognitive neuroscience and clinical cognitive neurology, with the ultimate goal of developing new paradigms that may be translated into the clinical setting to guide the diagnosis and management of cognitive symptoms.</p>	<p>Trevor.Chong@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Andrew Phillips Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Andrew's research vision is to understand the physiology and functions of circadian rhythms and sleep, with three main areas of focus (1) The importance of sleep regularity for human health (2) The sensitivity of the human circadian system to light (3) The development of physiological models for predicting circadian timing, sleep, and alertness. He has developed mathematical models and health-based metrics that are widely used in the sleep and circadian fields, including the Sleep Regularity Index (SRI). He has also made fundamental discoveries about the circadian system, including interindividual differences in sensitivity to light. His work is closely integrated with experiments, so that model predictions can be tested and so that additional insights can be gleaned from data.</p>	<p>Andrew.Phillips@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Catherine Flynn Department of Social Work, School of Primary and Allied Health Care, Monash University</p>	<p>Catherine's research affiliation is with the Criminal Justice Research Consortium (CJRC). She is actively engaged in a range of collaborative research projects, including exploring the trajectories toward criminalisation for young women who go missing; mapping the needs and experiences of children who experience parental imprisonment, and exploring assessment feedback processes in a Master of Social Work program.</p>	<p>Catherine.Flynn@monash.edu Link to bio</p>

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<p>Adjunct Prof Graham Meadows Primary Care Research, School of Primary and Allied Health Care, Primary Care Research</p>	<p>Professor Meadows is an Adjunct professor at Monash University and a prominent figure in innovation and evaluation in mental health care in Australia. He has national and international profiles in areas such as GP shared care, resource distribution, applications of mindfulness in clinical mental health practice, and recovery-oriented practice. His research, clinical leadership, policy advisory and training activities have reflected continuing commitment to a value base including equity, empowerment, efficiency and sound use of evidence at all levels of healthcare delivery and planning. His research interests include health services epidemiology, health services research, mindfulness in Therapeutic interventions, workforce development, particularly multidisciplinary approaches to clinical and professional education and development, primary care psychiatry and mental health economics.</p>	<p>Graham.Meadows@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Mohammad Asghari-Jafarabadi Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University</p>	<p>Mohammad Asghari Jafarabadi has a strong passion for researching statistical modelling. He designed innovative research projects to study the established statistical techniques in health and biomedical data settings resulting in more than 800 papers.</p>	<p>Mohammad.Asghari-Jafarabadi@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Matthew Pase Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Matthew's research uses large cohort studies to advance understanding of modifiable risk and protective factors for dementia, particularly with respect to vascular risk factors, sleep, and diet. He is also involved in the validation of non-invasive biomarkers for vascular cognitive impairment and dementia. At Monash, Matthew leads the Epidemiology of Dementia group. He is PI of the Brain and Cognitive Health (BACH) cohort, Co-PI of the NIA funded Sleep and Dementia Consortium, and PI of Inflammatory biomarkers to diagnose dementia study. In addition, A/Prof Pase co-leads the Cognitive Working Group of the International Stroke Genetics Consortium, and is an Investigator on the Framingham Heart Study.</p>	<p>Matthew.Pase@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Sharna Jamadar Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Sharna is the head of the Cognitive Neuroimaging Lab at the Turner Institute. Her research is focused on understanding how our life experiences change our brains, and how this may confer resilience to the ageing process. She is particularly interested in studying the neural bases of cognitive control, and has explored the consequences of disruption of cognitive control in a number of conditions, including healthy ageing, psychosis (schizophrenia, bipolar disorder) and substance abuse. She also has an</p>	<p>Sharna.Jamadar@monash.edu Link to bio</p>

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	<p>emerging interest in the neuroscience of parenthood and is supervising two student projects in this theme. Sharna is an expert in multimodal neuroimaging, and uses a number of imaging techniques to understand cognitive control, including positron emission tomography (PET), functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI), electroencephalography (EEG) and oculomotor measures (eye-tracking).</p>	
<p>Associate Professor Melinda Jackson Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Melinda's main research focus is to explore the impact of sleep loss and sleep disorders on components of cognition, mood and brain health. Through this research she aims to demonstrate the positive impact of treating sleep disorders and improving overall sleep health on cognition and wellbeing. She is the head of the Jackson Lab at the Turner Institute, which focuses on examining the impact of sleep disturbance and clinical sleep disorders on cognition, brain health and mood, using an interdisciplinary approach, sitting at the intersection of psychology, neuroscience and clinical sleep medicine.</p>	<p>Melinda.Jackson@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Laura Jobson Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Laura leads the Culture, Trauma and Mental Health Research Group at the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health. There are two related themes in her program of research: 1) emotional and cognitive substrates of PTSD and depression, and 2) translational studies. In the emotional and cognitive substrates arm, Laura's research has investigated the role of instrumental psychological processes, specifically, autobiographical memory, appraisals and the self, in the development and maintenance of PTSD and depression. In particular, her research has addressed a major limitation associated with cognitive models and treatments of these disorders; namely, that they have been developed based on Western cultural norms and values. Her research explores the influence of culture on current understandings and treatment of trauma and mental health. This research involves working with culturally and linguistically diverse communities in Australia and cross-country research with collaborators in Malaysia, Iran, Afghanistan and China.</p>	<p>Laura.Jobson@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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<p>Associate Professor Caroline Gurvich HER Centre Australia Department of, Psychiatry (CCS), Monash University</p>	<p>Caroline is the Deputy Director of the HER Centre Australia, Monash University, and Head of the “Cognition and Hormones Group”. Caroline has a research interest in the neuropsychology of women's mental health, particularly in understanding how hormones influence cognitive functioning. Caroline's research combines neuropsychological assessments with eye movement research to clearly characterise cognition. Caroline has over 120 publications that have ultimately contributed to a better understanding of how biological factors influence symptoms and cognition in mental health and mental illness.</p>	<p>Caroline.Gurvich@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Jennifer Schumann Department of Forensic Medicine, School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Monash University</p>	<p>Jennifer is Head of the Drug Intelligence Unit at the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine and lecturer in Monash University's Department of Forensic Medicine. She is a forensic pharmacologist and toxicologist, with nearly two decades experience interpreting the involvement of alcohol and other drugs in death. Jennifer's research examines the harms associated with drugs in the community to inform Australian public health policy and practice, with a particular focus on addiction, misuse and overdose of pharmaceutical and illicit substances. She utilises her experience in Forensic Toxicology and Public Health research to draw information from numerous different clinical and post-mortem data sources, providing translational research pertinent to current Australian trends in drug use.</p>	<p>Jennifer.Schumann@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Beatrice Loff Adjunct, Department of Forensic Medicine, Monash University</p>	<p>Beatrice (Bebe) Loff was Director of the Michael Kirby Centre for Public Health and Human Rights at Monash University. Prior to joining Monash University, she was responsible for the legislative programs of Ministers of Health in Victoria. She has worked in various capacities for a number of United Nations agencies, including the World Health Organisation, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and UNAIDS.</p>	<p>Bebe.Loff@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Associate Professor Adeel Razi Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Adeel leads the Computational and Systems Neuroscience Laboratory at the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health. He is a computational neuroscientist who uses both mathematical and experimental methods for his investigations. He leads a highly cross-disciplinary laboratory doing research combining engineering, physics, and machine-learning approaches to answer questions that are motivated by and grounded in neurobiology. This endeavour will enable him to go beyond the traditional boundaries in order to understand how the brain works. His research has implications for building new neuroscience-inspired artificial intelligence systems, treatment of brain diseases and development of new neuro-technologies.</p>	<p>Adeel.Razi@monash.edu Link to bio</p>

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Associate Professor Adam Searby	<p>Adam is a mental health and alcohol and other drug (AOD) nurse by trade. He has worked in the community and large hospitals in Melbourne. His research has looked at comorbid mental health and substance use in older adults, the reduction of restrictive interventions in mental health (advance statements and the practice of locking doors on wards), aggression and violence in healthcare, and novel, nurse practitioner led services for AOD use. He has also looked at the workforce, including the sustainability of the Australian AOD nursing workforce, and more recently, alcohol use among all Australian nurses. He is currently the president of the Drug and Alcohol Nurses of Australasia (DANA).</p>	<p>Adam.Searby@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
Dr Clare Foldi Monash University, Biomedicine Discovery Institute	<p>Dr Foldi is Head of the Anorexia and Feeding Disorders Group. Her team studies the biological underpinnings of anorexia nervosa and feeding disorders, which disproportionately affects women. Using cutting-edge behavioural neuroscience technologies in animal models, she aims to uncover the impact of genetic, metabolic and neurobiological factors that predispose individuals to pathological body weight loss, with a view to inform the development of novel therapeutic strategies.</p>	<p>claire.foldi@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
Dr James Coxon Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University	<p>James is a neuroscientist interested in human movement and cognition. James's research seeks to better understand how cardiorespiratory exercise impacts brain plasticity, learning, and cognition. His research is multidisciplinary, spanning the domains of exercise physiology, movement neurophysiology, and cognitive neuroscience, using non-invasive brain stimulation and recording techniques (EEG and MRI) to gain insight into the neural control of human movement.</p> <p>The goal of James' research on exercise and the brain is to develop an evidence-base for exercise interventions that promote healthy brain ageing and help people living with neurological disease better manage their symptoms.</p>	<p>James.Coxon@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
Dr Leonardo Gollo Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University	<p>Leonardo is the head of the Brain Networks and Modelling Laboratory at the Turner Institute. His research aims at investigating multiscale dynamics of brain networks to understand the underlying computational principles and neural mechanisms of brain function and dysfunction. He uses a combination of neuroimaging and non-invasive brain stimulation techniques, developing computational and theoretical models of neural systems to better understand brain networks, their dynamics, and the effects of brain stimulation</p>	<p>Leonardo.Gollo@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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<p>Dr Prerna Varma Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Prerna is s Research Fellow in the School of Psychological Sciences with a focus on designing and delivering personalised interventions for sleep health. In this role, she actively engages with organisations, end-users, and communities to design scalable, practical interventions. Her current work includes development and implementation of a digital health technology (SleepSync) for shift workers. Efficacy testing of this product has been conducted across healthcare, defence, and other sectors. She is also interested in examining and addressing sleep and mental health in other underserved populations, including caregivers, people living with dementia, culturally and linguistically diverse communities and minority populations.</p>	<p>Prerna.Varma@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Hannah Kirk Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Hannah leads the Developmental Risk and Digital Innovation (DRDI) Laboratory which aims to assess if and how digital technology (e.g. cognitive interventions) can support young children at developmental risk. She is interested in the creation of digital technology to optimise cognition and behavioural-regulation in children experiencing early adversity due to genetic, environmental, social or economic factors. In particular, her research focuses on neurodiverse populations such as children with autism spectrum disorder, ADHD, and Williams syndrome. Her novel approach involves the development of custom-designed digital programs that incorporate the latest technological advancements in virtual reality and game-based learning. She co-invented the world’s first digital attention intervention for children with neurodevelopmental disorders and has led two clinical trials evaluating the benefits of the intervention. The patented intervention is now an approved Class 1 Medical Device with the FDA and TGA, reimbursable through the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and being used by children globally.</p>	<p>Hannah.Kirk@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Joshua Wiley Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Dr Joshua Wiley is a behavioural medicine researcher with a focus on understanding and improving sleep and mental health, particularly in people after a cancer diagnosis. He studied health psychology and behavioural medicine, completing his PhD at the University of California at Los Angeles in 2015. Subsequently, he trained in pragmatic randomised controlled trials (RCTs) through post-doctoral studies with a primary care and prevention group. His research includes basic science and applied intervention work. In basic science, his work focuses on understanding the daily and longitudinal dynamics of sleep, psychosocial factors and health, emphasising potentially malleable mechanisms driving poor sleep and health. His intervention work targets the basic science mechanisms identified to attempt to improve population health. His intervention research focuses on</p>	<p>Joshua.Wiley@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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	<p>accessible and feasible sleep/behavioural and emotion regulation interventions with potential for broad dissemination.</p>	
<p>Dr Shalini Arunogiri Monash Alfred Psychiatry research centre (MAPrc) Department of, Psychiatry (CCS), Monash University</p>	<p>Shalini’s research interest stemmed from her work with patients and families affected by methamphetamine use. Her research program encompasses methamphetamine use and mental health comorbidity, women’s health and addiction, and medication treatments for addictive disorders. She is an investigator on the only Melbourne site for three medication trials in addiction (DEBUT- depot buprenorphine for opioid use disorders; LiMA-Lisdexamfetamine for Methamphetamine; and N-ICE, N-Acetylcysteine for ice). Shalini has over 35 peer-reviewed publications and attracted over 1M of research funding to date. Clinically, Shalini leads a team of over 50 multidisciplinary clinicians in the delivery of face-to-face, telephone and online addiction treatment at Turning Point.</p>	<p>Shalini.Arunogiri@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Julia Stone Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Julia is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Monash University specialising in chronobiology and computational neuroscience. She has a unique combination of experimental and computational experience. Her research focuses on circadian disruption and applying mathematical models to challenging field conditions. Her goal is to develop accurate, individualised models of the circadian response to light, to facilitate effective personalised treatment plans for patients with circadian rhythm disorders, and adaptation to shift work in occupational settings. Dr Stone spearheaded the development and implementation of circadian rhythm assessments at the Monash University Healthy Sleep Clinic, in Melbourne, Australia.</p>	<p>Julia.Stone@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Elise Facer-Childs Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Dr Elise Facer-Childs is the Deputy Director of the Sleep and Circadian Rhythms Research Program and a STEM+ Business Fellow within the School of Psychological Sciences at Monash University. She conducted her training in the UK where she obtained a Masters and PhD at the University of Birmingham. After completing independent Fellowships through the Wellcome Trust and the Science Industry Endowment Fund, she established the Facer-Childs Laboratory (Sleep and Performance) in 2022. She is leading a research group, The Facer-Childs group, that integrates psychology, sport science and industry engagement with an aim to increase our understanding of the relationships</p>	<p>Elise.Facer-Childs@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p> <p>Elise Facer Childs Lab</p>

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	<p>between sleep, chronobiology, exercise, recovery, health and performance in the real world.</p>	
<p>Dr Josh Hendrikse Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Josh is interested in the effects of physical exercise and non-invasive brain stimulation on neuroplasticity and cognitive function. His research explores how these approaches can be applied to harness neuroplasticity and improve various facets of learning/memory (e.g. declarative memory and motor skill learning). To address these questions, he utilises different forms of neuroimaging (i.e. MR spectroscopy, fMRI, EEG), transcranial magnetic stimulation, and exercise physiology techniques (e.g. indirect calorimetry)</p>	<p>Joshua.Hendrikse@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Alexander Wolkow Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Dr Wolkow's research focuses on understanding the interactions between sleep, stress, health and performance in shift workers and other high-risk populations. His program of research focuses on two main areas: (1) the impact of sleep disturbances on mental health and wellbeing in shift workers, and (2) the impact of shift work and related sleep problems on stress, emergency performance, fatigue and decision-making in emergency personnel. Dr Wolkow's research is underpinned by his strong and ongoing engagement with industry, and he currently works with a range of industry groups including paramedics, police, firefighters, and truck drivers. Ultimately, Dr Wolkow's research aims to optimise health, safety and performance in these and other high-risk populations.</p>	<p>Alexander.Wolkow@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Daniel Bennett Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Daniel studies mood, learning, and decision making. He uses computational methods (e.g., reinforcement learning models of behaviour, multivariate pattern analysis of neural data) to understand how these phenomena interact. He is particularly interested in investigating the ways that interactions between mood, learning, and decision making might go awry in psychiatric conditions like major depression and bipolar disorder.</p>	<p>Daniel.Bennett@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Emily Rosenich Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Emily (she/her)'s research investigates vascular, lifestyle and genetic contributors to cognitive decline and dementia. Emily has a particular research focus on investigating the synergistic effects of vascular risk factors and APOE E4 carriage on cognitive impairment and decline across the lifespan. A large portion of Emily's work also involves the</p>	<p>Emily.Rosenich@monash.edu Link to bio</p>

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	<p>management, facilitation and analysis of data within a large, NHMRC-funded randomised controlled trial (BetterBrains) to delay cognitive decline in middle-aged adults with a family history of dementia. Emily has strong research interests in the areas of cognitive and vascular disorders, non-modifiable (e.g. genetic) and modifiable (i.e. vascular, lifestyle) moderators of neurodegenerative disease progression and cognitive impairment/decline, psychometrics and statistical modelling, and the design and implementation of digital (remote) interventions to promote modifiable lifestyle changes.</p>	
<p>Dr Kylie King Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health Monash University</p>	<p>Kylie has expertise in program evaluation and in more recent years applied these skills to suicide prevention research, with a focus on males. Her work focuses on developing, implementing and evaluating interventions that can have positive impacts on men's mental health and suicidality across the lifespan. She completed a PhD in this specialty area in early 2020. In her role she is focussed on fostering research connections and collaborations with industry partners. With over 30 peer-reviewed publications, 40 commissioned reports, and over 20 presentations to local and international audiences, she is a researcher with a strong track record and is an emerging leader in suicide prevention research.</p>	<p>Kylie.King@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Stephanie Yiallourou Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health, Monash University</p>	<p>Dr Yiallourou is a renowned sleep researcher with expertise spanning, perinatal/infant sleep, cardiovascular health, and dementia. She trained at the Ritchie Centre, Hudson Institute for Medical Research from 2009-2016, where she led an NHMRC project investigating the consequences of low birth weight on sleep and cardiovascular control. From 2017-2021, she was recruited as Group Leader to the Baker Heart and Diabetes Institute where she led a program on sleep research, focusing on the role of poor sleep in cardiovascular disease risk among First Nations Australians. Most recently, in 2022, she was appointed as Research Fellow within the Epidemiology of Dementia (Epi-D) team at Monash University, where her research now explores the nexus between adult sleep dysfunction and dementia. Dr Yiallourou currently holds CIA funding that supports ongoing analyses at the world's premier studies on cardiovascular health, including the multigenerational Framingham Heart Study. Other international leadership initiatives include co-ordinating one of the largest consortiums on Sleep and Dementia, including 5 U.S cohort studies funded by the NIA. Locally, she is an investigator on the Monash-led Brain and Cognitive Health (BACH) study, a prospective cohort study for dementia prevention.</p>	<p>stephanie.yiallourou@hudson.org.au</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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<p>Dr Yifat Glikmann-Johnston Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health, Monash University</p>	<p>Dr Glikmann-Johnston joined Monash University School of Psychological Sciences in 2014 and soon after was awarded an NHMRC-ARC Dementia Research Development Fellowship to gain training in Huntington’s disease research. Currently, she is a Huntington’s Disease Society of America Research Fellow, and Deputy Lead of the Ageing and Neurodegeneration Research Program at the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health. Dr Glikmann-Johnston’s research in Huntington’s disease focuses on cognition and the relationship between cognitive function and brain structure, gut microbiome, and sleep.</p>	<p>Yifat.Glikmann-Johnston@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Leo Chen Monash Alfred Psychiatry research centre (MAPrc) Department of Psychiatry (CCS), Monash University</p>	<p>Leo is Director of Psychiatry Training at Alfred Health and Head of the Psychopharmacology Research Team at the Monash Alfred Psychiatry Research Centre. His research in using TMS to treat depression has been published in peer-reviewed journals and presented at local and international scientific conferences. As Director of Psychiatry Training at Alfred Health, he leads the training program at one of Australia’s most reputable and innovative mental health services, where he oversees the education and career progression needs of approximately 50 psychiatry trainees.</p>	<p>Leo.Chen@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
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Dr Frances Shawyer Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Frances has worked as a clinical psychologist and researcher for over 20 years in a variety of settings including public mental health, clinical research and private practice. Her projects include the coordination of the DARE project, a large-scale trial of Mindfulness-Based Cognitive Therapy for recurrent depression funded by the NHMRC, and management of the Refugee Mental Health project, a survey of the mental health needs of refugees attending specialist refugee health services in south-east metropolitan Melbourne funded by Southern Health. Her primary research interest is the application of third-wave therapies to psychiatric conditions: she has led or co-authored 34 journal articles and book chapters including 17 related to this topic.	Frances.Shawyer@monash.edu Link to bio
Dr Debbie Hocking Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Debbie has worked as a researcher and clinician with people seeking asylum for almost 15 years. She has a particular interest in the areas of social psychiatry and translational research and has co-developed a screening tool for non-mental health workers to identify likely mental disorders in adult forced migrants and is developing similar screening tools for forced migrant youth. She is currently engaged in research prospectively exploring the relationship between immigration detention and health status. Her research has been published in international psychiatry journals and she has presented her findings extensively to Australian and international academic and clinical audiences through conferences and trainings.	Deborah.Hocking@monash.edu Link to bio
Dr Paul Liknaitzky Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Paul leads the Clinical Psychedelic Lab, focused on investigating novel applications for psychedelic therapies, translating evidence into best clinical practice, exploring and mitigating under-examined risks, delivering next-generation therapist training, and improving access and affordability. He has played a central role in establishing the field of clinical psychedelic research in Australia, and is the principal investigator on a program of psychedelic trials. He leads the country's largest and most experienced group of psychedelic researchers and clinicians, is involved in numerous psychedelic studies across the country, and collaborates with many international experts and organisations in the field. He has led several world-first studies, including the first trial to use psilocybin in	Paul.Liknaitzky@monash.edu Link to bio

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	<p>the treatment of a primary anxiety condition, the first study testing the utility of psilocybin as a therapist training tool, and the first trial testing a psychedelic-augmented virtual-reality treatment.</p>	
<p>Dr Phyllis Chua Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University</p>	<p>Phyllis is the Group Head of the Neuropsychiatry research group at Psychiatry Monash Health and Consultant Psychiatrist- Calvary Healthcare Bethlehem Hospital, Caulfield, Victoria. Her main research areas are in the fields of Neuropsychiatry, Neuroimaging, Medical Education. She has specific interest in psychological aspects of neurological diseases, Huntington's disease, Motor Neurone disease, Progressive Neurological disorders, Family and carer burden, Dementia, Biomarkers and Medical education. The aim of her research group is to further knowledge of brain disorders which have psychiatric or behavioural manifestations and to determine the best management of the psychosocial aspects of these diseases.</p>	<p>Phyllis.Chua@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Ian Presnell Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University</p>	<p>Dr Ian Presnell leads the Aged Mental Health Research Unit. His research focuses on care and improvement of the mental health of the ageing, including those with dementia, behaviour disorders, or in aged care, as well as those who care for them. The unit is a partner of the Commonwealth Government's Dementia Collaborative Research Centre with responsibility for identifying non-pharmacological treatments of the behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia and then mounting trials of their efficacy.</p>	<p>Ian.Presnell@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Joohyung Lee Psychiatry Monash Health School of Clinical Sciences at Monash Health, Hudson Institute - Centre for Endocrinology and Metabolism</p>	<p>Joohyung is the Group Lead of the Sex Chromosome Neurobiology research group. His research focuses on sex differences in brain function in normal and diseased states. In particular the research laboratory is focusing on the potential role of the male sex-determining gene SRY in the sex differences in neurological diseases, such as Parkinson's disease, attention-deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD) and autism. He has a strong interest in understanding the role of the Y-chromosome gene SRY and the male brain and how abnormal regulation of SRY may increase the susceptibility of males to neurological disorders such as Parkinson's disease and ADHD.</p>	<p>Joohyung.Lee1@monash.edu</p> <p>Link to bio</p>

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Dr Karen Wynter Psychiatry Monash Health Monash University	Karen studied Psychology, Applied Statistics and Education at the Universities of Stellenbosch (South Africa) and Cambridge (UK). From March 2011 to July 2017, she worked at the Jean Hailes Research Unit, SPHPM, where she was a Research Fellow involved in several collaborative research projects which focus on social determinants of women's perinatal mental health. She is currently a Senior Research Fellow at the Department of Psychiatry, School of Clinical Sciences, Monash University. Her research interests are: Antenatal and postnatal depression and anxiety in both women and men, fatigue and functional status in the early postpartum period, intimate partner relationships during the transition to parenthood and health literacy and health service use among new parents.	Karen.Wynter@monash.edu Link to bio
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<p>Dr Bosco Rowland Monash Addiction Research Centre (MARC), Eastern Health Clinical School, Monash University</p>	<p>Bosco's work history has predominantly focused on designing and evaluating health behaviour interventions and then following participants longitudinally. As a registered psychologist, he has focused primarily on the behaviours of alcohol consumption, smoking, illicit drug use, mental health, and healthy eating. His longitudinal research has focused on how these behaviours change, and identifying critical influences on these behaviours at different ages and stages of the life course.</p>	<p>Bosco.Rowland@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Ali Cheetham Turning Point, Eastern Health Clinical School, Monash University</p>	<p>Ali has a research background in adolescent and young adult substance misuse, with a focus on understanding risk and vulnerability factors and identifying opportunities for early intervention and treatment. She has been involved in a number of projects that identify barriers and facilitators to seeking help for AOD and mental health problems in young people, and encourage engagement with services and professional treatment.</p>	<p>Ali.Cheetham@monash.edu Link to bio</p>

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<p>Dr Louisa Picco Monash Addiction Research Centre (MARC), Eastern Health Clinical School, Monash University</p>	<p>Louise is a NHMRC Emerging Leader Research Fellow at the Monash Addiction Research Centre in Melbourne. Her research areas of interest include identifying and responding to prescription opioid related risks and harms, particularly through the implementation of prescription drug monitoring programs. She also has extensive experience in mental health research, and mental health and substance use related stigma.</p>	<p>Louisa.Picco@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Tristan Duncan, Clinical and Social Research Team, Turning Point and Monash University</p>	<p>Tristan is a qualitative social researcher, with a background in public health, alcohol and other drugs, and health promotion. His research is concerned with everyday experiences of alcohol and other drug consumption and care, with a particular focus on issues of gender, wellbeing, and equity. Tristan's empirical investigations are theoretically driven and have encompassed drug consumption room interventions, masculinity and men's drinking, and digital drug practices. In each instance, Tristan adopts an applied research approach – by combining critical theory and qualitative methods, he seeks to encourage more productive and ethical ways of understanding, researching, and governing drug problems.</p>	<p>Tristan.Duncan@monash.edu Link to bio</p>

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<p>Dr Sarah Catchlove Clinical and Social Research Team, Turning Point and Monash University</p>	<p>Sarah has a research background in psychopharmacology, cognitive neuroscience, psychophysiology and neuroimaging. At Turning Point, Sarah is overseeing clinical trials investigating novel substances in the treatment of alcohol and drug addiction. Collaborative studies include the behavioural and neurophysiological effects of cannabinoids in children with autism spectrum disorder; cannabidiol for exercise-induced muscle inflammation, and a large-scale project investigating gut microbiota, stress resilience and cognitive performance in Army recruits with the Australian Defence Science and Technology group. Recently completed projects include the effects of cannabis medication on driving performance, as well as observational studies investigating the efficacy of different types of cannabis medication.</p>	<p>Sarah.Catchlove@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
<p>Dr Ari Roxburgh Clinical and Social Research Team, Turning Point and Monash University</p>	<p>Ari is a clinical psychologist and has worked in the AoD field since 2017. He is a psychologist and research fellow who is interested in addiction recovery and treatment. His PhD focused on the relationship between anxiety and self-control. His current research is focused on the recovery of those with substance use, alcohol, or gambling related problems.</p>	<p>Ari.Roxburgh@monash.edu Link to bio</p>
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