



# ISMRT MRI Safety Day – New Zealand

Saturday 14th March 2026

## PROGRAM

*Program timings are in NZDT. Program is subject to change. Updated on 02/03/26*

### Saturday 14 March 2026

8:15 – 17:00	Registration desk open
8:15 – 9:00	Arrival refreshments
9:00 – 9:05	Welcome
	Charlotte Hawke, ISMRT NZ President
	Megan Cromer, ISMRT ANC President
9:05 – 10:00	<b>Forum 1 – Managing the MRI Environment</b> Moderator: David Di Domenico
9:05 – 9:25	<b>Preventing Projectile Accidents</b> Frank G. Shellock, Ph.D., FACR, FISMRM Director of MRI Safety Adjunct Clinical Professor of Radiology and Medicine Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California
9:25 – 9:35	<b>MRI and Acoustic Noise</b> Frank G. Shellock, Ph.D., FACR, FISMRM
9:35 – 9:45	<b>Audience Q&amp;A:</b> Managing the MRI Environment
9:45 – 10:00	<b>ACR Manual on MRI Safety 2024: What's New?</b> Wendy Strugnell, BSc(MIT), FISMRM Cardiac MRI Services and Research Manager, Queensland X-Ray ISMRT ANC Executive Member
10:00 – 10:45	<b>Forum 2 – Managing Passive Implants</b> Moderator: David Di Domenico
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Managing Patients with Passive Implants</b> Frank G. Shellock, Ph.D., FACR, FISMRM
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Audience Q&amp;A:</b> Managing Patients with Passive Implants
10:45 – 11:15	Morning refreshments and exhibition
11:15 – 12:15	<b>Forum 3 – Managing Active Implants</b> Moderator: James Whittaker
11:15 – 11:35	<b>Intrathecal Drug Delivery Systems – Therapy &amp; MRI Considerations</b> Robert Parkes Neurosurgical product specialist, Medtronic
11:35 – 12:00	<b>Managing Patients with Active Implants</b> Frank G. Shellock, Ph.D., FACR, FISMRM
12:00 – 12:15	<b>Audience Q&amp;A:</b> Managing Patients with Active Implants

12:15 – 13:00	<b>Forum 4 - RF-induced burns</b> Moderator: James Whittaker
12:15 – 12:45	<b>RF-Induced Burns: Causes and Prevention</b> Frank G. Shellock, Ph.D., FACR, FISMRM
12:45 – 13:00	<b>Reporting Obligations</b> Jacob Cameron, M.Sc, B.MedImag Pacific Radiology Canterbury / RHCNZ
13:00 – 13:45	<b>Lunch and exhibition</b>
13:45 – 14:45	<b>Forum 5 - Safety in Practice</b> Moderator: Sheryl Foster
13:45 – 14:15	<b>MRI Safety Concerns in a Research Setting</b> Beau Pontre, PhD, B.Sc (Hons) University of Auckland
14:15 – 14:30	<b>Err on the Side of Caution with MRI Safety</b> Sophia Mortensen, PGDip MRI, B.H.Sc. Reform Radiology
14:30 – 14:45	<b>MRI Contrast Agent Safety</b> Dr Chris McKee, MB ChB, RANZCR Auckland Radiology Group / RHCNZ
14:45 – 15:05	<b>Afternoon refreshments and exhibition</b>
15:05 – 16:30	<b>Forum 6 - Unique Safety Scenarios</b> Moderator: Chris Kokkinos
15:05 – 15:20	<b>Blowhole - Quench Scenarios</b> Julie Manktelow, PGDip MRI, PGDip Nuc Med, ACBD Pacific Radiology Canterbury / RHCNZ
15:20 – 15:35	<b>Silent symphony - scanning bilateral auditory brainstem implants</b> James Whittaker, PGDip, MRSO River Radiology
15:35 – 15:45	<b>MR Safety Guidelines for Endoscopic Clips: Have we over-reacted?</b> Wendy Strugnell BSc (MIT), FISMRM
15:45 – 16:30	<b>Audience-led discussions and Q&amp;A</b>
16:30 – 17:00	<b>MRI Safety Game Show: Were you listening?</b> Moderator: Jeff Chen
17:00 – 17:05	<b>Meeting Close and Announcements</b> Charlotte Hawke & Megan Cromer
17:05 – 18:30	<b>Networking Function in Foyer</b>

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