

# HUNTER PARKINSON'S SOCIETY

## MEETING 21

**FRIDAY 27 February 2026**

**ONLINE MEETING**

**4.55pm – 7.15pm (AEDT)**

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for meeting link

**Chairperson: Professor Scott Whyte**, Neurologist/Geriatrician, Central Coast

**4.55pm**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY & OPENING REMARKS**

**Dr C PADMAKUMAR**, Chair, Hunter Parkinson's Society

**5.00pm - 5.45pm**

**GEARING UP FOR BIOLOGICAL CRITERIA FOR PARKINSON'S  
DISEASE AND SYNUCLEIN BIOMARKERS – ARE WE READY?**

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR ELIE MATAR**

*Consultant Neurologist and Sleep Physician, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital; Associate Professor and  
Horizon Fellow, University of Sydney*

**5.45pm - 6.30pm**

**KICKING GOALS FOR PARKINSON'S – THE ROLE OF EXERCISE  
AND HIGH PERFORMING TEAMS**

**PROFESSOR MICHELE CALLISAYA**

*Professor of Physiotherapy, University of Tasmania  
Select Foundation Fellow, Menzies Institute for Medical Research*

**6.30pm – 7.15pm**

**ATYPICAL PARKINSONISM**

**DR AJITH CHERIAN**

*Professor, Department of Neurology, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute of Medical Sciences  
and Technology (SCTIMST), Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India*

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