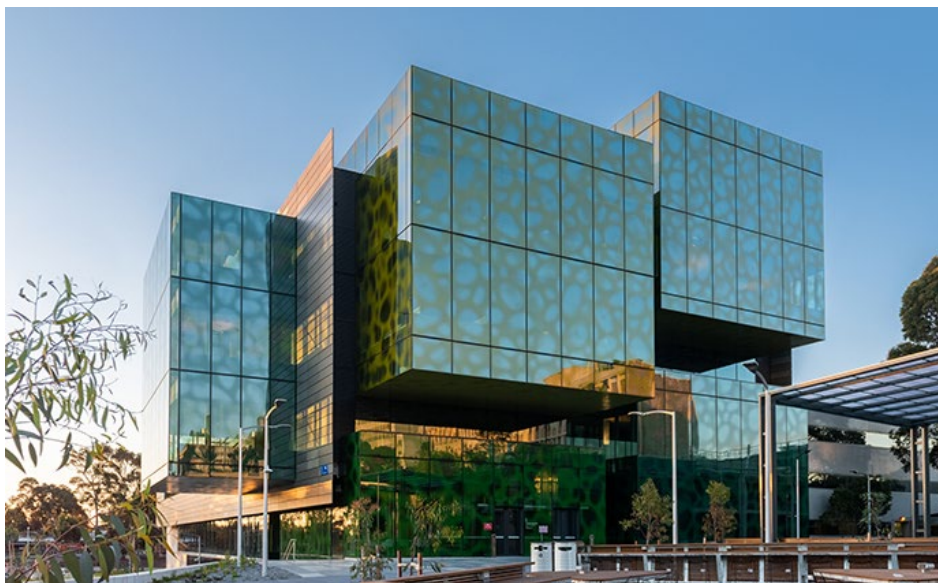# TechNet 2022 – BDI Monash

The Biomedicine Discovery Institute (BDI) is a world class research institute that seeks to find solutions to complex global biomedical challenges. The Biomedical Sciences Technical (BLTB) team provides exceptional technical services to the BDI teaching and research arms and strives to develop innovative approaches to technical challenges. The tertiary education sector has seen many changes within the last few years, the pandemic has given us new perspectives on our professional skills, mental health and wellbeing and career trajectories. We have had the opportunity to explore different modes of interaction, technical delivery, staff training and teaching modes.

The BDI and Biomedical Sciences Technical team will host this year's TechNet Conference in collaboration with our Monash community.

In our ever-changing world with dynamic workplaces, cultures and practices, we look forward to sharing your narratives on:

"EMBRACING THE CHANGE"

We look forward to seeing you all in Clayton, Victoria at Monash University. Check out more info on the BLTB **here.** If you haven't already, you can also sign up for TechNet membership for free **here.**

Biomedical Learning and Teaching Building (BLTB), Clayton Campus

PROGRAM

Wednesday, 30th November	Time	Further information
Registration and poster set up	13:00 onwards	
Afternoon tea	14:00 – 14:30	Delicious coffee, tea and snacks
Tours	14:30 – 16:30	Net Zero tour, Synchrotron, Woodside Building, CSIRO
Welcome reception and dinner BBQ	17:00 – 20:00	Come along to meet your fellow TechNetters and have some food
Thursday, 1st December		
Registration	08:30 – 09:30	
Welcome and Plenary session	09:15 – 10:30	Professor John Carroll (Director of the BDI), Dr Ayan Dyasvarma and Cheryl Roberts
Morning Tea	10:30 - 11:00	Delicious tea, coffee and snacks
Talks session	11:00 – 12:00	Concurrent sessions based on varying topics– 15 minutes talks with 5 minutes questions.
Lunch and poster viewing	12:00 – 13:00	Eat lunch, view all the great work people have been doing.
Talks session	13:00 – 14:30	Concurrent sessions – 15 minutes talks with 5 minutes questions.
Afternoon tea	14:30 – 15:00	Tea, coffee and other delights to perk you up.
Tours	15:00 – 17:00	Net Zero tour, Synchrotron, Woodside Building, CSIRO
Conference Dinner	18:00 – 22:30	Eat, chat to new and old friends, be merry
Friday, 2nd December		
Registration	08:30 - 09:30	
Plenary session	09:30 – 10:30	Professor Stephen Turner,
Morning tea	10:30 – 11:00	More delicious tea and coffee and snacks.
Workshops	11:00 - 12:00	Various lab skills workshops and discussion workshops on topics outlined below.
Lunch and poster session with questions	12:00-13:30	Authors will be asked to stand with their poster if they wish to answer questions from people.
Workshops	13:30-14:30	Various lab skills workshops and discussion workshops on topics outlined below.
Conference Wrap-up	14:00 – 14:30	Time to say goodbye. Poster prize will be announced.

*Some of the tours are still being confirmed. Schedule may be subject to change.TechNet AGM and HESTA AGM to be held on Friday 2nd December after the conference wrap up (TBC).

Lab skills workshops

These will be 1 hr workshops across various disciplines such as physiology, pharmacology, molecular biology, anatomy, immunology, nursing and engineering (activity details TBC).

Discussion workshops

These will involve someone chairing a discussion on a particular topic. Bring along your challenges or new ideas, experience, what's currently happening in your area and knowledge to these sessions. These will include sessions for areas outlined for abstract submission but also discipline specific sessions such as for nursing, engineering and sports science.

Presentation sessions

These sessions will consist of multiple 15-minute talks with 5 minutes question time, centering around a particular topic.

REGISTRATION COSTS

Early bird $450 (until 23rd September), Normal registration - $490, Late registration - $550. **Link for registration.**

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Abstracts can be submitted for oral or poster presentations. Abstract can be in any area of interest to the Tech Net Group. Any number of abstracts can be submitted by registered attendees. Our resounding theme centres on how you/your team/your workplace has embraced the change. Word limit - 300 words. Email to anita.barry@monash.edu. Deadline: 23rd September.

The main focus areas are:

- Innovations in prac classes, solving technical problems, gadgets, budgeting
- Sustainability, wellbeing
- OHS - SOPs, COVID management for classes, field work
- Inventory management, equipment management, multi user equipment
- Tools and ideas for creating online prac resources
- Adapting post-COVID: management, changes, staff shortages
- Inclusion and diversity in the technical environment

However, all applications considered!

ACCOMMODATION

- **Park Royal Monash**
- **Mannix College** (across the road from Monash Campus) – Email the College directly to book enquiries.mannix@monash.edu, and mention the Tech Net conference in your email.
    - Single Student Room with Shared Bathroom - $77 per person per night
    - Ensuite Student Room - $85 per person per night (limited quantity)
    - **Gryphon House** - $135 per person per night (incl. meals)
- Melbourne CBD – there are many options

TRAVEL

From Melbourne city: catch the Packenham or Cranbourne line train from Flinders Street Station to Huntingdale (23 minutes) and the 601 bus (every 4-8 minutes) straight to Monash University Clayton Campus (5 minutes).

From the airport: Catch the **SkyBus** to Southern Cross Station. Catch the train from Southern Cross station to Huntingdale station and then the 601 bus.

Information about the myki system. Android users can get a myki on their phone and keep it in their wallet then use their phone to tap on and off when travelling.

THINGS TO DO IN MELBOURNE

- **National Gallery Victoria**
- **ACMI** – Australian Centre for the Moving Image
- **Amazing dining experiences** and **cafes**
- **Royal Botanic Gardens**

- **Queen Victoria Market**
- **Here is** a list of free things on this month. Check back to see what is happening nearer to the conference.
- **State Library of Victoria**