

The 2nd Postdoctoral Research Conference of Southern Africa
Beyond the pandemic: Research now and in the future

The aim of the conference is to bring together young researchers from diverse fields of research to create an interdisciplinary forum, placing an emphasis on the importance of postdoctoral fellows in driving research under the theme:

Wednesday 10 November 2021		
	Registration and Welcoming	
08:30 – 09:00	Welcoming address Prof Eugene Cloete	
09:00 - 09:45	Presentation of the DRD: Postdoctoral Research Support Dr Palesa Natasha Mothapo and Dr Therina Theron	
09:45 – 10:30	Keynote speaker Prof Sehaam Khan (Executive Dean Health Science, UJ)	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
Session 1		
11:00 – 12:30	Oral Presentations Symposium 1: Water	Oral Presentations Symposium 2: Business & Economics
	Invited speaker: Dr Inga Jacobs-Mata	Invited speaker:
Lunch Break		
12:30 – 13:30	Poster Presentations (Session 1)	Industry tables
13:30 – 15:00	Workshop 1: Launch Lab	
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break	
Session 2		
15:30 – 17:00	Oral Presentations Symposium 3: Law amidst the pandemic	Oral Presentations Symposium 4: Land, Agriculture & Food security
	Invited speaker: Dr Bradley Slade	Invited speaker:

Thursday 11 November 2021		
08:30 - 10:00	Workshop 1	
10:00 - 10:45	Keynote	
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
Session 3		
11:00 – 12:30	Oral Presentations Symposium 5: Microbiome	Oral Presentations Symposium 6: Innovation leading the future
	Invited speaker:	Invited speaker:
Lunch Break		
12:30 – 13:30	Poster Presentations (Session 2)	Industry tables
13:30 – 15:00	Workshop 2	
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break	
Session 4		
15:30 – 17:00	Oral Presentations Symposium 7: Infection diseases	Oral Presentations Symposium 8: Humanity amidst the pandemic
	Invited speaker: Prof Mareli Claassens	Invited speaker:

Friday 12 November 2021		
08:15 – 09:45	Oral Presentations Symposium 9: Exercise, Health & Well-being	Oral Presentations Symposium 10: General
	Invited speaker: Prof Christa Janse van Rensburg	Invited speaker:
09:45 – 10:00	Short break	
Session 5		
10:00 – 11:30	Oral Presentations Symposium 11: Research models	Oral Presentations Symposium 12: Non-communicable diseases
	Invited speaker: Prof Igor Miranda	Invited speaker: Dr Mari van der Vyver
11:30 – 12:30	Poster Presentations (Session 3)	Industry tables
12:30 – 13:00	Lunch Break	
13:00 – 14:00	Maushari Course Showcase (SU postdocs)	
14:30 – 16:00	Think tank: Beyond the pandemic	
16:00 – 16:15	Short Break	
16: 15 – 17:30	<u>Gala Ceremony</u> Plenary Lecture Best Presentation Awards Awarding of Top20 Awards Announcement of PDS Exec 2022	