

Congress Program | Thursday 17 May 2012

8.45am WCNR 2012 Organising Committee Chairman's Welcome **Professor John Olver** | Room: Plenary 2
 8.55am Opening Ceremony - Welcome to Country performed by a **Wurundjeri Tribal Elder**
 9.20am Welcome Message **The Hon. Louise Asher MP**, Victorian Minister for Tourism and Major Events
 9.30am Welcome from the Presidents: **Professor Michael Selzer** World Federation for NeuroRehabilitation - WFNR
Dr Kathleen McCarthy Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine
A/Professor Leanne Togher Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment - ASSBI

10.00am
Plenary Session 1

The Michael P Barnes Lecture **Randolph Nudo** | Room: Plenary 2
 Harnessing the potential of neuroplasticity to improve recovery after brain injury

10.30am M O R N I N G T E A | Exhibition Area, Main Foyer

11.00am - 12.30pm
**Concurrent
Symposia Session 1**

**1A Basic Science 1:
Foundations for Neurorehabilitation**

**1B Measuring Outcomes in
Neurorehabilitation: When the FIM/FAM
and Barthel are not good enough**

**1C Psychosocial Rehabilitation for
Children with Traumatic Brain Injury**

Chair **Randolph Nudo**

Chair **Robyn Tate**

Chair **Adam Scheinberg**

Rooms 109 & 110

Rooms 111 & 112

Room 103

11.00am **Michael Nilsson**, Australia
Neural plasticity in the damaged brain:
micro and macro perspective

11.30am **Michael Selzer**, USA
Anatomical plasticity in neural repair:
Types of nerve growth differ, and
why it matters

12.00 **Anthony Hannan**, Australia
Gene-environment interactions
and experience-dependant plasticity
in mouse models of brain disorders

12.20pm **Q & A Session** with all
presenters

Caroline Van Heugten, Netherlands
(to be presented by **Barbara Wilson**, UK)
Issues involved in measurement and
evaluation in neuropsychological
rehabilitation

James Malec, USA
Item-response theory and the revolution of
outcome measurement

Robyn Tate, Australia
Strengths and limitations of the Functional
Independence Measure/Functional Assess-
ment Measure and the Barthel Index

Discussant
Barbara Wilson, UK

11.00am **Vicki Anderson**, Australia
A parenting approach to treating child
behaviour problems after TBI

11.45am **Lucia Braga**, Brazil
Evidence-based psychosocial rehabilitation
of survivors of child and adolescent
traumatic brain injury

12.30pm L U N C H | Exhibition Area, Main Foyer