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7TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON PALAEOHISTOLOGY

16-20 June, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia

We acknowledge the Turrbal and Yuggera peoples, the Traditional Owners of the land where we gather for our symposium, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We recognise their connection to Country and their role in caring for and maintaining Country over thousands of years.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU IN SUNNY QUEENSLAND!

The 7th International Symposium on Palaeohistology (ISPH) will take place 16–20 June 2025 at the University of Queensland (UQ, venue TBC) on the beautiful [St Lucia campus](#) in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia. There are plenty of public transport options to reach the campus, including bus, train, and ferry. Explore more [here](#). You can download the [Translink app](#) to plan your journey.

It will be Aussie winter in June, but you can expect nice and balmy weather in the 20°C's. Winter is the perfect time to visit Queensland, which otherwise gets very hot and humid in the Summer. We highly recommend visiting the [Queensland Museum](#), which has a permanent palaeontology display, and the [Brisbane Botanic Gardens Mt Coot-tha](#). Learn more about what to see and do in Brisbane [here](#).

Palaeohistology research at UQ is conducted from the School of the Environment (palaeontology) and the School of Social Science (hominin research through archaeology and palaeoanthropology). Brisbane is home to a vertebrate palaeontology lab at Griffith University, where some palaeohistology research is also conducted.



Image of heritage-listed UQ Great Court at St Lucia campus by Kgbo (CC BY-SA 4.0)

Our 2025 logo was designed and created by Meg Walker and features a Diprotodon (*Diprotodon optatum*), the largest marsupial to have ever lived. The bone histology image shown in the osteon-inspired ring is from the humerus of the common wombat (*Vombatus ursinus*).

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This first circular introduces the symposium timeline, the organising and scientific committee, important contact details, and tentative symposium programme. The second circular with further details will be released later in 2024.

Important contact details and dates

All queries: isph2025@outlook.com

X/Twitter: [@isph2025](https://twitter.com/isph2025)

Website: www.isph2025.weebly.com

Registration: opens late 2024, closes April 2025

Call for sessions: 9am AEST (GMT+10) 1 March 2024

Call for abstracts: 9am AEST 1 May 2024

Abstract deadline: 5pm AEST 1 April 2025

Final programme release: April/May 2025

Keynote speakers: to be announced in 2024

Tentative programme

- **Monday 16 June 2025:** Day workshop and evening welcoming reception
- **Tuesday 17 through Thursday 19 June 2025:** Podium and poster sessions with keynote lectures, and Thursday dinner
- **Friday 18 June 2025:** Day fieldtrip

Workshop & fieldtrip: details will be released in 2024

FAQ: visit our website for the [FAQ tab](#) which will be updated regularly

Call for session proposals

The ISPH 2025 organising committee invites session proposals that focus on specific themes and/or issues in palaeohistology.

- A proposed session must have at least one organiser who be responsible for confirming all session speakers and will chair the session.
- All sessions are limited to four speakers (minimum of three).
- Session organisers provide a session title and abstract of up to 200 words alongside a list of proposed speakers and individual podium talk titles. The session abstract should state the problem the session is addressing and the aim(s) of the session. The individual speakers are next invited to submit their abstracts for session podium talks through the general abstract submission platform online should the session proposal be accepted.
- Submissions are limited to two abstracts per lead author for the entire symposium. This means that one lead author can submit to present once in an organised session and once part of general sessions. There is no limit to the number of times the same author can be a co-author on other abstracts.
- Session talks are limited to 12 minutes in duration, leaving 12 minutes at the end of the session for panel-type Q&A (60 minutes in total per session assuming four speakers).

Session proposal submission will be online via the [Sessions & abstracts](#) tab on our website. The submission platform opens at 9am AEST (GMT+10) on **1 March 2024**. All session organisers will have their accepted sessions fully confirmed by 30 April 2024.



Call for abstracts

The ISPH 2025 organising committee invites abstract submissions communicating research spanning all topics of palaeohistology. Histology research on extant taxa is invited but its implications for fossil research and palaeobiology/ecology must be made clear.

- Main text must not exceed 250 words.
- Title must not exceed 150 characters.
- Structure must follow scientific standards with the goal(s)/aims, methods, results, and implications/conclusions clearly presented.
- Please do not include tables, figures, and/or in-text citations/ references.
- Submissions are limited to two abstracts per lead author for the entire symposium. There is no limit to the number of times one author can be a co-author on other abstracts.

Abstract submission will be online via the [Sessions & abstracts](#) tab on our website. The submission platform opens at 9am AEST (GMT+10) on **1 May 2024** and closes at 5pm AEST on **1 April 2025**. Abstracts will be considered in batches and acceptances communicated on a rolling basis throughout the submission period.

Podium talks

- Talks are limited to 15 minutes (12 minutes talk + 3 minutes of questions).
- Presentation slides should be prepared in .ppt or .pptx format.
- Co-presented talks are welcome.

Further details on oral presentations will be shared in subsequent circulars.

Poster presentations

- Posters must not be larger than A0 size (33.1 inches x 46.8 inches/ 84.1 cm x 118.9 cm).
- Posters must be in portrait format.
- Please ensure a good balance between text and images.

Further details on poster presentations will be shared in subsequent circulars.

THE SECOND CIRCULAR WILL BE RELEASED IN 2024

