

PROGRAM

09:00 - 09:30	Registration
09:30 - 09:45	Welcome and introduction Gary Humphries - Chair, RSPCA Australia Bidda Jones - Chief Scientist, RSPCA Australia
09:45 - 10:00	Humane slaughter: A concept and its history Charles Mason - Technical Director, Humane Slaughter Association
10:00 - 10:30	Current understanding of the welfare impacts of controlled atmosphere stunning methods for food-producing animals Ngaio Beausoleil - Associate Professor, Animal Welfare Science and Bioethics Centre, Massey University, NZ
10:30 - 11:00	Morning tea
11:00 - 11:40	KEYNOTE: Welfare assessment of Low Atmospheric Pressure Stunning (LAPS) Dorothy McKeegan - BVA Animal Welfare Foundation Senior Lecturer, University of Glasgow, UK
11:40 - 12:10	Carbon dioxide gas killing systems for chickens and turkeys: Current systems and key areas for consideration Marc Cooper - Head of Farm Animals, RSPCA UK
12:10 - 12:40	Behavioural responses of pigs to CO2 stunning under commercial conditions Ellen Jongman - Senior Research Fellow, Animal Welfare Science Centre, University of Melbourne
12:40 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 14:10	KEYNOTE: DTS: Diathermic Syncope® - a new technology for pre-slaughter induction of insensibility Alison Small - Senior Research Scientist, CSIRO Agriculture & Food
14:10 - 14:40	Combination of behavioural and electroencephalographic analysis of recoverable electrical stunning for Halal meat production Craig Johnson - Professor of Veterinary Neurophysiology, Massey University, NZ
14:40 - 15:10	Afternoon tea
15:10 - 15:40	Development and extension of industry best practice for the humane killing of spent layer hens on farm Arif Anwar - Poultry Veterinarian, Scolexia Animal and Avian Health
15:40 - 16:10	The use of non-penetrating captive bolt guns for the on-farm killing of neonate piglets, goat kids and lambs Charles Mason - Technical Director, Humane Slaughter Association
16:10 - 16:15	Wrap up and next steps Bidda Jones - Chief Scientist, RSPCA Australia
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