

Alzheimer's Imaging Consortium (AIC) Preconference Saturday, July 26 > 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Metro Toronto Convention Centre > Toronto, Canada

The Alzheimer's Imaging Consortium (AIC), a preconference to AAIC, will focus on the frontiers of neuroimaging of Alzheimer's and other dementia. The program will focus on novel imaging techniques and analysis, how neuroimaging can drive discoveries in and improve understanding of the disease, and how these innovations can have an impact on clinical applications. The program consists of invited speakers, oral and poster presentations from submitted abstracts, a mentoring lunch for early career researchers, and a read-with-the-experts session. AIC brings together neuroimaging researchers from around the world and highlights the technical progress and recent innovations in neuroimaging that will enhance clinical applications of the future. A reception will follow for registered attendees. Eastern Standard Time; In-Person Attendance Only

Organizing Committee

This pre-conference is organized by the Neuroimaging Professional Interest Area (PIA) of the International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment (ISTAART).

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University Of Montreal, Canada

Anika Wuestefeld,

Lund University, Sweden

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McGill University, Canada

Target Audience

All clinicians involved in the care or research of individuals with memory or other cognitive complaints (including but not limited to neurologists, psychiatrists, radiologists, geriatricians, neuropsychologists, physicians and nurses); researchers, industry and regulatory agency stakeholders; and others involved in the use of imaging techniques in the study of Alzheimer's disease, related disorders and normal aging.

Learning Objectives

- » Summarize current Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ADRD) neuroimaging research methods, clinical research findings, and clinical applications.
- » Distinguish between different neuroimaging modalities and their unique and complementary contributions to understanding ADRD.
- » Understand how neuroimaging is applied in a clinical context.

Registration

Pre-conferences are offered for in-person attendance only. Preconferences require a separate registration fee in addition to AAIC full conference registration, or they may be purchased as stand-alone events. Visit alz.org/AAIC.

Agenda	
8-8:05 a.m.	Opening Remarks Tobey Betthauser, Chair Neuroimaging PIA
8:05-8:35 a.m.	Plenary Session: Neuroimaging Research On Alzheimer's Disease And Related Disorders: What Have We Learned? Moderator: Tobey Betthauser Presenter: Emma Coomans
8:35-9:50 a.m.	Scientific Session #1: Tau PET Propagation And Pathways To Harmonization Moderators: Tessa Harrison, Yara Yakoub Presenters: Alexis Moscoso, Christopher Rowe, Robin Sandell, Guilherme Bauer-Negrini, Yishu Chao, Julie Ottoy
9:50-10:05 a.m.	Break
10:05-11:20 a.m.	Scientific Session #2: Neuroimaging Co-Pathologies Beyond ATN Moderators: Michael Ewers, Anika Wuestefeld Presenters: Leslie Gaynor, Mahir Tazwar, Vincent Dore, Veronika Pak, Mario Torso, Hadrien Lalive
11:20 a.mNoon	Plenary Session: PET Signals At Cellular Resolution To Investigate Target-Specific Radiotracers For Neurodegeneration And Neuroinflammation Moderators: Tobey Betthause, Alexa Pichet Binette Presenter: Matthias Brendel
Noon-1 p.m.	Lunch And Mentor/Mentee Luncheon Mentors: Tobey Betthauser, Gérard Bischof, Rachel Buckley, Annie Cohen, Gill Farrar, Nicolai Franzmeier, Timothy J. Hohman, Renaud La Joie, Susan M. Landau, Sam Lockhart, Anne Maass, Melissa Murray, Daniel T. Ohm, Gemma Salvadó, Prashanthi Vemuri, Natalia Vilor-Tejedor, Laura Wisse, Alexandra Young, Eduardo Zimmer
1-1:35 p.m.	Data Blitz Presentations Moderators: Tavia Evans, Yara Yakoub Presenters: Sarah Ackley, Chenyang Li, Nicole McKay, Pulkit Khandelwal, Saehyun Kim, Brittany Intzandt, Christian Limberger, Niklas Behrenbruch
1:35-2:35 p.m.	Scientific Session #3: Multimodal Neuroimaging In ADRD Moderators: Helena Gellersen, Alexa Pichet Binette Presenters: Brian Gordon, Sarah Forrester, Nidhi Mundada, Qing Yang, Niels Reijner

Break And Poster Viewings

2:35-3:45 p.m.

Agenda

3:45-4:30 p.m. Updates On The Use Of PET In Clinical Practice: A SNMMI Collaboration

Moderator: Brian Gordon

Presenter: Mary Ellen Koran, SNMMI Brain Imaging Council Chair

Discussant: David Soleimani-Meigooni

4:30-4:45 p.m. Presentation Of The Neuroimaging Awards

Presenter: Michael Ewers, Vice Chair Neuroimaging PIA

4:45-5 p.m. Closing Remarks

Tobey Betthauser, Chair Neuroimaging PIA

5:15-7 p.m. Networking Reception (The Westin Harbour Castle, Metropolitan Ballroom West)

Joint Event With Technology And Dementia Preconference

Plenary Speakers



Emma Coomans. Ph.D.

Neuroimaging Research On Alzheimer's Disease And Related Disorders: What Have We Learned?

Alzheimer Center Amsterdam, Netherlands

Emma Coomans, Ph.D., obtained a Bachelor's in Biomedical Sciences and a Master's in Neurosciences before completing her Ph.D. (2023) at the Department of Radiology and Nuclear Medicine, Amsterdam UMC, the Netherlands. Her thesis investigated Alzheimer's disease pathophysiology using Tau-PET imaging in symptomatic Alzheimer's disease and genetically identical twins. She now works as a postdoctoral researcher at the Alzheimer Center Amsterdam under the supervision of Rik Ossenkoppele, PhD, focusing on Tau-PET imaging and its application in clinical practice and in trials.

Plenary Speakers





Matthias Brendel, M.D.

PET Signals At Cellular Resolution To Investigate Target-Specific Radiotracers For Neurodegeneration And Neuroinflammation

Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Germany

Prof. Matthias Brendel, M.D., is a group leader in molecular imaging of neurodegenerative and neurooncological diseases of the Department of Nuclear Medicine at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (LMU Munich). He has been working in the field of neuroimaging for 14 years and his principal research focus is located in translational molecular neuroimaging by PET. He has a proven track record for coordinating academic research studies including a recent multi-center study on second generation tau-PET in progressive supranuclear palsy. One current major focus is dedicated to single cell analysis after radiotracer injection (i.e. scRadiotracing) to disentangle cellular sources of PET signals in neurodegeneration and neurooncology. These preclinical and clinical efforts resulted in recent development of a TREM2 specific radiotracer at LMU Hospital which is on its way to patient use as the first microglia-specific PET biomarker.

Mary Ellen Koran, M.D., Ph.D.

Updates On The Use Of PET In Clinical Practice: A SNMMI Collaboration

Mayo Clinic Arizona, United States

Mary Ellen Koran, M.D., Ph.D. is a dual-boarded diagnostic radiologist and nuclear medicine physician, with a Ph.D in the genetics of Alzheimer's Disease. She is a practicing physician-scientist at the Mayo Clinic in Arizona in the Nuclear Medicine division, where clinically she interprets PET and nuclear medicine imaging from head to toe while her research focuses on the genetics of early Alzheimer's disease using amyloid and tau PET imaging. She currently holds an Alzheimer's Association Clinical Scientist Fellowship award and is a Beeson scholar.

This will be an interactive session where we will discuss changes and updates in utilization of amyloid and tau PET in the clinic, including appropriate use criteria, quantification, and follow up imaging in the context of anti-amyloid therapies. We will cover how ARIA is evaluated and monitored in anti-amyloid clinics. We will review the status of reimbursement for and access to these different modalities and treatments.

2025 de Leon Prizes In Neuroimaging Award Winners



Senior Scientist
Christos Davatzikos, Ph.D.
University Of Pennsylvania, United States

Christos Davatzikos is the Wallace T. Miller Sr. Professor of Radiology at the University of Pennsylvania, and Director of the recently founded AI2D Center for AI and Data Science for Integrated Diagnostics. He has been the Founding Director of the Center for Biomedical Image Computing and Analytics since 2013, and the director of the AIBIL (Al in Biomedical Imaging Lab). He holds secondary appointments in Electrical and Systems Engineering, Computer and Information Science, and in the Division of Informatics at Penn. He obtained his undergraduate degree from the National Technical University of Athens, Greece in 1989 and his Ph.D. degree from Johns Hopkins in 1994 on a Fulbright scholarship. He then joined the faculty in Radiology and later in Computer Science, where he founded and directed the Neuroimaging Laboratory. In 2002 he moved to Penn, where he founded and directed the section of biomedical image analysis. Dr. Davatzikos' interests are in medical image analysis. He oversees a diverse research program ranging from basic problems of imaging pattern analysis and machine learning, to a variety of clinical studies of aging and Alzheimer's Disease, neuropsychiatric disorders, and brain cancer.

Dr. Davatzikos has served on a variety of scientific journal editorial boards and grant review committees. He is an IEEE fellow, a fellow of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering and member of the council of distinguished investigators of the U.S. Academy of Radiology and Biomedical Imaging Research. He was the recipient of the NIA Nathan Schock Lecture award in 2024.

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Junior Scientist
Hironobu Endonzmeier, M.D., Ph.D.
National Institutes For Quantum Science
And Technology, Japan

Hironobu Endo, Ph.D., M.D., is a Senior Researcher at the National Institutes for Quantum Science and Technology, focusing on neurodegenerative disease research and advanced neuroimaging. He earned his M.D. from Oita University and Ph.D. in Neurology from Kobe University. Endo's postdoctoral training includes a fellowship at Johns Hopkins University's Department of Radiology and Radiological Science. His work has been recognized with awards from the Japanese Society of Neurology and Japan Society for Dementia Research. Dr. Endo's research combines clinical expertise with cutting-edge imaging techniques to advance our understanding of brain disorders.



Junior Scientist

Maiko Ono, Ph.D.

National Institutes For Quantum Science
And Technology, Japan

Maiko Ono has promoted research on brain activity and brain disease pathology through the multimodal use of PET, MRI, and other biological imaging techniques as a Research Scientist (2010–2024) and Senior Researcher (2025–) at National Institutes for Quantum Science and Technology from Japan. In 2017 Ono received a Doctor of Philosophy in Medical Science from Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine. In 2021 Ono was awarded the Incentive Award at the 40th Annual Meeting of Japan Society for Dementia Research. Also awarded Subject "In Vivo Visualization Of Propagating α -Synuclein Pathologies In Mouse And Marmoset Models."

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Trainee Karly Cody, Ph.D.

Stanford University, United States

Karly Cody is a postdoctoral fellow working with Dr. Elizabeth Mormino in the Department of Neurology and Neurological Sciences at Stanford University. She completed her Ph.D. in Neuroscience at the University of Wisconsin in the lab of Dr. Sterling Johnson. Her current research implements neuroimaging and fluid biomarkers to characterize pathological and clinical trajectories in aging and Alzheimer's disease.

Networking Opportunities For Neuroimagers At AAIC 2025

AIC Mentoring Luncheon

Saturday, July 26: Noon-1 p.m. Metro Toronto Convention Centre

Early career researcher - get matched with a mentor for a mentoring session over lunch. Advance sign up required, open to all registered attendees of AIC.

AIC Reception

Saturday, July 26: 5:30-7 p.m. Westin Harbour Castle

Join us for refreshments and networking after the preconference. Open to all registered attendees of AIC.

AAIC Neuroimaging Buddies

Sunday, July 27-Wednesday, July 30 Metro Toronto Convention Centre

Looking for other neuroimagers at AAIC25, or want to meet with others on-site? Join a group of neuroimagers to explore the conference as a first timer. Advance sign up required, or explore the virtual forum* at <code>istaart.alz.org/AIC</code> to start a discussion or arrange a meet-up! Open to all registered attendees of AAIC. *Virtual forum requires login to ISTAART Community

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Neuroimaging PIA Events At AAIC 2025

ISTAART Immersives: Basics of Genetic Analysis

Friday, July 25th: 8 a.m.-Noon Westin Harbour Castle, Pier 2

Join this workshop to learn about the fundamentals of genetic analysis within the framework of brain imaging genetics research. Pre-registration is required.

ISTAART Immersives: Getting Started With Neuroimaging Analysis

Friday, July 25th: 1-5 p.m. Westin Harbour Castle, Pier 7 and 8

Join this workshop for an interactive, hands-on opportunity to view, process, analyse and interpret medical imaging data. Pre-registration is required.

Other Related Neuroimaging Events At AAIC 2025

ISTAART Immersives:

Harmonizing Amyloid And Tau PET
Data Across Tracers And Centers Using
The Global Alzheimer's Association
Interactive Network

Friday, July 25th: 8 a.m.-Noon Westin Harbour Castle, Queens Quay

Join this workshop to learn how Centiloid and CenTauR values are derived from PET imaging and how to interpret the harmonized data.

Pre-registration is required.

ISTAART Immersives:

ADSP Phenotype Harmonization Consortium: From Fundamentals To Al In Diffusion MRI For Alzheimer's Disease

Friday, July 25th: 8 a.m.-Noon Westin Harbour Castle. Harbour A

Join this workshop to learn about a comprehensive overview of dMRI image processing and the statistical harmonization strategies. Pre-registration is required.

ISTAART Immersives:

Cognitive Resilience In Alzheimer's Disease: Concepts, Statistical Tools And Policy Shaping

Friday, July 25th: 1-5 p.m. Westin Harbour Castle, Pier 2

Join this workshop and learn state-of-the-art approaches to investigating, quantifying and promoting resilience against Alzheimer's disease in older adults, with an emphasis on effectively communicating findings to policymakers. Pre-registration is required.

ISTAART Intermissions: NiChart: A Neuroimaging Platform For Al-Based Precision Medicine

Tuesday, July 29th: 12:15-2 p.m. Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 808

ISTAART Intermissions provides a forum for peers to meet and engage in focused conversations in key subject areas during AAIC lunch breaks. Limited Seating. Open to all registered AAIC attendees on a first-come, first-served basis. Please bring your laptop to follow along with the presentation.

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