

ISBER Elections Biosketch

First Name	Last Name
Wayne	Ng
What ISBER Board position are you applying for?	
DAL-IPR	
Degree (if applicable)	
PhD, GAICD	
Current position and institution	
General Manager, Victorian Cancer Biobank	
Education and Experience	
<p>Experience</p> <p>Biobanking Leadership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Manager, Victorian Cancer Biobank (VCB) Consortium (2019–Present) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Overseeing operations across five hospital-based biobanks as a statewide research infrastructure for cancer research. ○ Led governance and strategic reforms, including the development of VCB’s 4-year Strategic Plan. ○ Led business case development and secured funding from government and philanthropic sources over the past four years. • Established cross-border collaboration between VCB and the Singapore Translational Cancer Consortium (STCC) to create a shared specimen catalogue, enhancing biospecimen utilization and research collaborations. • Member, National Biobanking Working Group, Australia <p>Biobank Advocacy and Public Engagement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Published position statements and advised on Australian government policies (e.g. National Research Infrastructure Roadmap 2021). • Participated as an expert in government inquiries into rare and less common cancers. • Delivered public promotions through radio interviews and media releases. <p>Academic Contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guest Lecturer, University of Côte d’Azur, France (since 2021), delivering industry insights on business intelligence for biobanking master’s students. <p>Education</p> <p>GAICD, Company Directors Course, Australian Institute of Company Directors, 2024 PhD in Cancer Molecular Pathology, Western Sydney University, Sydney, Australia, 2018 MSC in Oncology, University of Nottingham, UK, 2009 BSc in Biochemistry and Genetics, University of Nottingham, UK, 2008</p>	
Biobanking Interests	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancing visibility and accessibility of biobanking through collaboration and technology (e.g., AI). • Supporting equitable outcomes in biobanking, particularly for underrepresented populations (e.g., Southeast Asians). • Advancing biobanking initiatives addressing diseases with low survival rates, such as certain cancers. • Advocating for biobanking’s value to the public, policymakers, and researchers. • Promoting the development of a coordinated national biobanking infrastructure in Australia. 	

- Supporting FAIR principles for biospecimens and associated data to meet national research priorities.

Professional Activities (ISBER and other)

ISBER Working Groups

- Director-at-Large, Indo-Pacific Rim Region (current).
- Chair, Indo-Pacific Rim Regional Ambassador Group.
- Chair, Local Engagement Task Force, ISBER Annual Meeting 2024 (Melbourne).
- Governance and Nominations Committee Member.
- Member, Program Task Force for ISBER Annual Meeting 2023 (Seattle).

Professional Societies and Volunteer Organizations related to biobanking

- Co-Chair, Special Interest Group on Human Health Biobanking, Australasian Biospecimen Network Association.
- Steering Committee Member, Australian Donation and Transplantation Biobank.
- International Advisor, Malaysia National Biobanking Workshop 2019.

Organizer or co-organizer of meetings/conferences:

- Member, ISBER Future Conference Taskforce.
- Chair, Local Engagement Task Force, ISBER Annual Meeting 2024 (Melbourne).
- Organiser and chair, National Biobanking Forums 2022 (Sessions on Professionalism, Career Prospects, and National Strategy).
- Organiser and chair, Panel Discussion: European Biobanking Infrastructure and Opportunities for Australia (2024).

Editorial Boards

None

Other

Radio interview to promote Victorian Cancer Biobank
Supported the development of ISBER IPR regional strategic priorities in 2022