

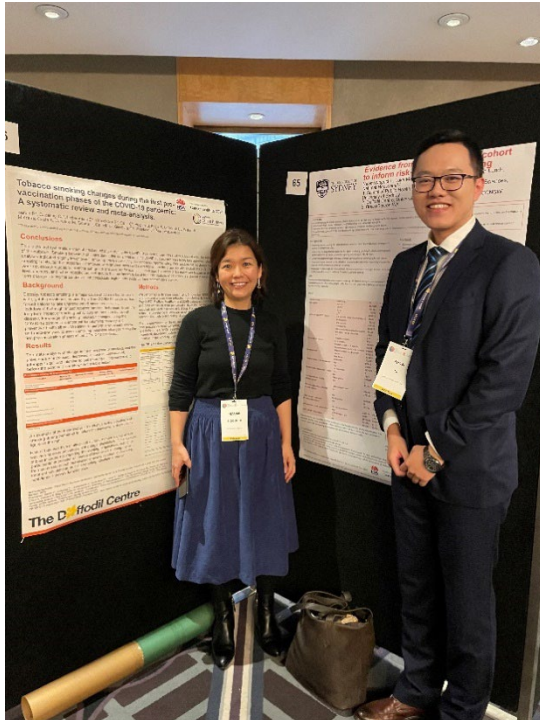
## NSW Cancer Conference 2022 Conference Report

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**Full Reference:** Naomi Noguchi, Luke Marinovich, Elizabeth Wylie, Helen Lund, Nehmat Houssami. *Evidence from a BreastScreen cohort to inform risk-stratified screening.*

**Presentation Type:** Poster



I am on the left and my poster is the one on right hand side. Right hand side is Mr Yuan Ni, a PhD student from the School of Public Health who also presented a poster in the same area.

It was a valuable experience to meet local cancer researchers and to hear what research projects are currently occurring across the state. Particularly those about population cancer screening for any cancer, and breast density.

My research has always been on clinical outcomes, but I felt that informative or behavioural types of interventions to improve accessibility of the services was more mainstream. I would like to speak more with people who are doing such research in my university and seek opportunities to participate in such projects in the future. It was also useful to hear the plenary sessions given by professors and learn examples of how researchers build their research portfolio.

The session that was particularly useful was the workshop on the first day about consumer involvement. Consumer involvement always felt like a tickbox exercise because I did not understand it very well and I regret that I have not been able to ask good questions to consumer representatives in the past. It was very useful to learn that they should ideally be involved from the planning stage of the research and some representatives may be willing to provide input without financial compensations before a project receive funding. It was also useful to

hear their motivations in contributing to clinical research and examples of comments that they have made about research projects in the past. I am motivated to ask effective questions at my next meeting with a consumer representative for my project.