**Medicinal cannabis: from criminal to clinical**  
Dilara Bahceci, The University of Sydney

How did medicinal cannabis go from being illegal to a prescribed medicine improving lives? Dilara Bahceci, a researcher from the Lambert Initiative for Cannabinoid Therapeutics, will share the story of how one young girl’s struggle with severe epilepsy is changing the cannabis research landscape.

**When:** Wednesday 7 August, 6.00 pm – 7.30 pm  
**Where:** Max Webber Library, Blacktown  
**Book now:** ssfmedicinalcannabis.eventbrite.com.au

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**Nanomedicine and cancer therapy**  
Dr Wei Deng, University of NSW

What is nanomedicine and how is it changing our approach to cancer therapy and other treatments? Cancer nanotechnology researcher Dr Wei Deng from UNSW will explain how nanotechnology is changing how we treat cancer.

**When:** Thursday 8 August, 9.30 am – 11.00 am  
**Where:** Max Webber Library, Blacktown  
**Book now:** ssfnanomedicine.eventbrite.com.au

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Australia’s active volcanoes: when will the next eruption be?
Associate Professor Heather Handley, Macquarie University

Explore Australia’s rich volcanic history and address how likely a future eruption is, what the warning signals might look like and how much time we may have to prepare should we detect signs of activity.

**When:** Thursday 8 August, 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm
**Where:** Dennis Johnson Library, Stanhope Gardens
**Book now:** ssfvolcanoes.eventbrite.com.au

Resilient plants
Dr Paul Rymer, Hawkesbury Institute for the Environment at Western Sydney University.

Why is nature resilient despite so many environmental threats? Learn how plants adapt to their environment and respond to climate change.

**When:** Wednesday 14 August, 6.00 pm – 7.30 pm
**Where:** Dennis Johnson Library, Stanhope Gardens
**Book now:** ssfplants.eventbrite.com.au

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