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Connecting philanthropy with health and medical research

Making the decision about supporting medical research will be easier with the help of Research Australia's recently launched register of health research. The Research Australia research register aims to help philanthropists, trusts and foundations, companies and other grant makers identify research projects that meet their giving objectives.

Drawing on the expertise within Research Australia's extensive network of universities, medical research institutes and hospitals, the register will include a broad range of projects across various medical conditions.

Research Australia's aim is to help the community to find suitable researchers and projects to support. Registration is available online to researchers and philanthropists and will assist Research Australia to more effectively link grant makers and grant seekers. Researchers from around Australia have been invited to contribute research projects to the database.

"We hope to encourage pride in researchers who are establishing their careers, support experienced and leading Australian research scientists and also to attract philanthropic funding to novel research programs that might not otherwise be funded." said Research Australia CEO Rebecca James.

"The importance of philanthropy in supporting Australian research is increasingly recognised. Our aim is to build on our research strength and to make it easier for philanthropic sector to engage with our leading scientists", Ms. James said.

Information about Research Australia Philanthropy is available at www.researchaustraliaphilanthropy.org.

About Research Australia

Research Australia is a unique national alliance of over 190 member and donor organisations with a common mission to make health and medical research a higher national priority. For more information on Research Australia visit www.researchaustralia.org.

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