

## RESEARCH SAVES LIVES

The Princess Alexandra Hospital is one of Australia's leading teaching and research hospitals with many national and international research projects being undertaken by the talented team. The PA Foundation has awarded millions of dollars to research and this has contributed towards some exciting breakthroughs that contribute to the alleviation of suffering and saving lives.

### CANCER

Professor Frazer developed the highly-publicised vaccine which will reduce the incidence of cervical cancer by 70%. This vaccine will revolutionise women's health across the globe with the greatest benefits likely to be seen in the developing world where pap smear tests are not widely available.

### LIVER

Each year, 50 children live as a result of the liver transplant technique – named the Brisbane Technique – developed by the PA Research Team. Surgeons from the Princess Alexandra Hospital perform the transplants for children at the Royal Brisbane Children's Hospital.

### HEART

Since 1998, around 2000 people's lives have been protected by the diagnostic heart imaging procedures developed by the PA Research Team, used to test the viability of the heart muscle following a heart attack.



*"I guess my personal experience of cancer and revolutionary medical technology taught me that medical research saves lives. But there are so many more lives to save, new conditions to grapple with, and the ongoing advancement of research is the key to this."*

Danielle Tindle

## LEADING THE WORLD IN RESEARCH

### Professor Ian Frazer

Developer of the cervical cancer vaccine, Australian of the Year 2006 and member of the PA Foundation Board.



*"As a recipient of funding from the PA Foundation for many years, I can honestly say that their support helped in our successful search for a cervical cancer vaccine."*

*"It can take on average twenty years to make a breakthrough but the results make the investment of time and funds so worthwhile. Who can put a price on the hundreds of thousands of lives that will be saved in the future thanks to this vaccine developed through tireless research?"*

***I urge you to give your serious consideration to supporting the PA Foundation.***

*"It could end up saving a life."*



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# RESEARCH IS THE FUTURE

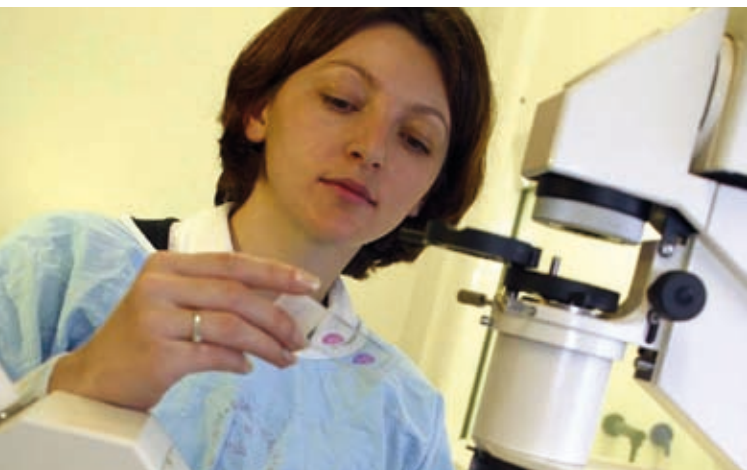
## WELCOME TO THE PA FOUNDATION

The PA Foundation was established in 1984 to raise funds for medical and scientific research to help alleviate human suffering and find cures for disease and illness.

The Foundation is a separate statutory authority appointed under an Act of Queensland Parliament and is controlled and managed by an independent Board of Directors appointed by the Governor of Queensland.

We do not receive any government funds. The PA Foundation relies solely on bequests, and donations from the general public, the business community and the thousands of patients and their families who have benefited from outstanding medical treatment thanks to years of successful research.

The first grant was awarded by the PA Foundation in 1988 and, since then, the team has raised and distributed millions of dollars to all kinds of projects that seek to find preventions, cures and treatments for diseases.



## SEEKING ANSWERS

**Day by day, step by step, scientists are seeking cures, but they need more help.**

The world-class PA Research Team has over 220 researchers working in one of Australia's leading research hospitals. Funding for research is an ongoing requirement with projects taking, on average, 20 years to reach a breakthrough.

Donations received through bequests provide vital funds to the PA Foundation so that we can continue to support these programmes and, indeed, the more funds we can raise – the more research we can fund.

Remembering us in your Will can change the future of medical history. You may choose to specify an area of research that is of personal interest to you or to support research in general.

We invite you to request a copy of our free brochure which outlines some of the many areas of research currently underway at the hospital, which include heart, cancer, arthritis, diabetes, spinal injuries, liver and kidney diseases, and osteoporosis.



*“Research is the future. Nothing changes unless there is active research in the laboratory and within the clinic with patients. It is the only way to make a difference in the long term. And it is only through the benevolence and commitment of supporters that we gain the funds that will allow us to continue with the research.”*

Associate Professor Mark Smithers

## SUPPORTING RESEARCH IN YOUR WILL

*“Research is there for everyone to benefit from. It is one of the biggest gifts to all humanity.”*

PA Foundation supporter.

Leaving a bequest in your Will can help to fund research into future preventions, treatments or even cures for some of our modern day maladies. It will be your gift to humanity.

Please use the form below to request further information on leaving a gift to the PA Foundation. You can also enquire about our Free Will service, which meets the solicitor's costs of preparing the legal documents. Alternatively you can ring our Major Gifts and Bequests Manager on 07 3240 2359 for a confidential chat.

### REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

- Please send me your free brochure on supporting medical research through my Will
- Please contact me about making an appointment for a confidential chat
- Please contact me concerning the PA Foundation's Free Will service

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