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Who we are

Cancer Council Victoria is a non-profit organisation involved in cancer research, support, prevention and advocacy. Our singleness of purpose – improved cancer outcomes – drives us, and will always be balanced by our deep connection with the experience of cancer patients and their families.

Our mission

To reduce the impact of all cancers for all Victorians.

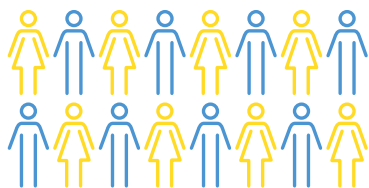
Our values

Excellence, integrity and compassion.

About this report

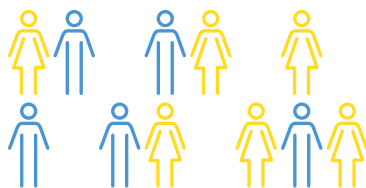
This report is designed to give our stakeholders an insight into the diversity of the services delivered by Cancer Council Victoria. It provides details of our activities during the 2014 calendar year.

The audited 2014 financial reports are contained within a separate document, which is available on our website (www.cancervic.org.au). A summary of the financials is contained within this report.



29,500+

Victorians are diagnosed with cancer each year



11,000+

Victorians die from cancer each year

Between 1988 and 2012
five-year survival

**increased
from 48%
to 67%**



Professor Margaret Hamilton
President

2014 was a chance for us to connect globally, cement ongoing national partnerships and form new local links. We also worked to develop a new governance structure, which will enable Cancer Council Victoria to continue to provide leadership in cancer control.

The World Cancer Congress, organised by the Union for International Cancer Control and hosted by Cancer Council, allowed us to link with other experts to discuss advancements and strategies. Our McCabe Centre continued to build capacity in the use of law to prevent and control cancer, and we connected the world to Australia's work in plain packaging.

It's never been more important for us to partner locally with government and other organisations to deliver the best research, prevention and support we can to improve cancer outcomes. Programs such as Quit and SunSmart rely on the Victorian Government's support and collaboration with VicHealth. In a new Government funded initiative, Cancer Council partnered with the Heart Foundation to introduce LiveLighter, to encourage people to reduce weight to cut their cancer risk.

We continue to rely on our dedicated volunteers. We have thousands of supporters and volunteers across the state helping us to raise funds, provide support for cancer patients, and deliver our services. I was honoured to again present the annual President's Awards in recognition of some outstanding contributions in the past year.

It was also a pivotal year for how we will deal with cancer in the future with the passing of the *Improving Cancer Outcomes Act 2014*, which will come into operation by 1 October 2015. Victoria will have a more modern framework to aid efforts to reduce cancer incidence and death, and to support those affected by the disease. The *Act* updates how we collect and use cancer data, and requires a four-year cancer plan to be developed.

It will also mean a change in our governance which will bring us into line with other Cancer Councils. We will convert from a body constituted under the *Cancer Act 1958* to a Company Limited by Guarantee by 1 October 2015. The main change will be to the make-up of our Board and Council. Currently Council membership is determined by the *Cancer Act 1958* and most appointments need to be approved by the Minister. Under the new arrangements, the Cancer Council itself will determine membership and be responsible for appointing members.

We will continue to update our supporters through the transition period, and look forward to continuing our work with the many other organisations who remain vital partners in our endeavours.

In particular, I would like to thank the Board Chair, Andrew Roberts, for his assiduous shepherding of these developments throughout 2014, and also Maria Trinci for continuing as a most reliable and attentive Chair of the Finance, Risk, Audit and Compliance Committee.



THIS YEAR HAS REINFORCED THAT THERE IS HOPE BEYOND CANCER



Todd Harper
Chief Executive Officer

Each year we are seeing improvements in cancer control – from advances in research, improvements in cancer detection and increases in five-year survival rates.

With the number of cancer diagnoses expected to double in the next decade, we must act now to develop the infrastructure and programs required to support people through their cancer journey; from a diagnosis, through treatment and beyond.

In order to do this, we must keep evaluating and updating our range of support services. In 2014 we added to our suite of pro bono programs by introducing a legal service to assist patients with issues such as employment and superannuation. We are also expanding our Gene Connect program, which provides a support service for people affected by an inherited gene that increases cancer risk.

These programs complement our existing services including our psychosexual counselling service, Holiday Break Program and information and support line, Cancer Council 13 11 20.

It's also critical that we invest in research that will reduce the impact of cancer on future generations. This is why we decided to offer a second round of our Venture Grants Scheme, an innovative program that supports higher risk/higher reward research which has the potential to discover the next major cancer breakthrough. Our four successful projects would not have been eligible to apply for conventional funding

schemes. It is only through the generous support of our visionary donors that it has been possible to back such visionary researchers.

We also have an eye to the future with our Forgotten Cancers Project and our Australian Breakthrough Cancer Study. These two studies will lead us to better understand the causes of cancer, and will provide us with data that will be used for decades to come.

Our behavioural scientists continue to play a vital role in our understanding of cancer risk factors like smoking, obesity, and alcohol. They are also leading the way on the evaluation of the impact of plain packaging legislation, with the full benefits of this landmark move not expected to be fully understood for several years. What we do know is that of this legislation has generated a global movement to reduce smoking rates with Ireland, the United Kingdom, New Zealand and Norway among the countries that have introduced or are investigating similar legislation.

I would like to thank all our donors, fundraisers, volunteers, supporters, researchers, clinicians and employees for their support in 2014 as without you we would not have achieved what we did.

This year has reinforced that there is hope beyond cancer, and we have so many opportunities to further reduce the impact of cancer on the Victorian community for future generations.

Highlights of 2014

January

- Cancer Council's Dr Anna Boltong develops a new classification system, Boltong's Taxonomy of Taste, which identifies specific elements of tastes.



February

- We officially open our new building with a traditional smoking ceremony (pictured) and announcement of our Australian Breakthrough Cancer Study.

March

- Associate Professor Dr Sherene Loi is awarded the \$1.5 million five-year Colebatch Clinical Research Fellowship to explore how new targeted therapies can be tailored to an individual's breast cancer.
- The Ethnic Communities' Council of Victoria and Cancer Council Victoria sign a Memorandum of Understanding to improve cancer outcomes in culturally and linguistically diverse communities, and to guide development of future programs and research initiatives.

April

- Cancer Information Support Services launch a new pro-bono legal referral service to help cancer patients navigate issues such as wills, superannuation and employment.
- As part of Brain Cancer Action Week, people with brain cancer, their loved ones and medical specialists gather at a free Action on Brain Tumours forum hosted by Cancer Council Victoria – the first of its kind for Melbourne.

May

- The Federal Government announces it will implement the full National Bowel Screening program as part of its Budget.
- An experiment that uses white blood cells to target breast cancer is one of 11 new research projects to share in \$3.4 million from Cancer Council Victoria's Grants-in-Aid program.

June

- SunSmart recommends Victorians get some midday sun to help with low vitamin D levels after data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics reveals only one in two (49%) Victorian adults have sufficient vitamin D levels in winter, compared to 80% in summer.
- A new Cancer Council Victoria study, which surveyed more than 4000 Victorians, finds 21.5% of Victorians said they would visit cafés and restaurants more often if a ban on smoking in outdoor dining areas was introduced.

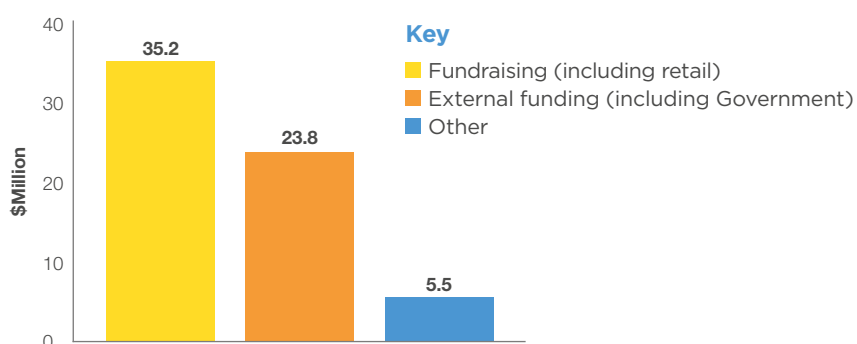
July

- In the lead-up to November's state election, Cancer Council Victoria calls on political parties to commit to taking action on cancer and releases 15 election priorities covering cancer research, ongoing funding for prevention campaigns, and improvements to support services.

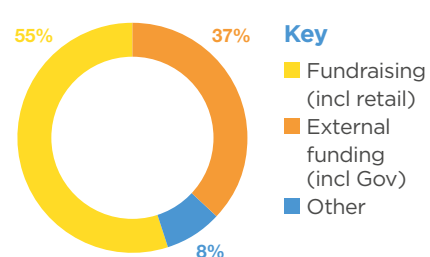
August

- Cancer Council Victoria, in partnership with the Heart Foundation, launches a new Victorian Government funded public education campaign, LiveLighter to encourage Victorians to eat well, be physically active and maintain a healthy weight.
- Thanks to 1478 volunteers, 1386 supporters and 517 sponsors, Cancer Council's flagship event, Daffodil Day raises \$1.9 million.

Where the money comes from \$M



Where the money comes from %



Are you ready to quit for good?



- Quit Victoria launches Triggers (pictured), a new campaign to assist smokers to recognise and effectively respond to, the impulse to smoke. It's the first ever animated anti-smoking campaign about how to quit for good.
- As part of a new partnership between the AFL Players' Association and Cancer Council Victoria, AFL footballers challenge footy fans to have the harder conversations with the men in their lives to ensure they're around in the future to make more memories.

September

- New SunSmart research shows Victorian pre-school and childcare services lead the way in slapping on their hats and slipping on shirts, in the 18th anniversary of the preschools and childcare centres program.
- Relay For Life Season 2 begins. A total of 45,222 participants in 2285 teams help raise \$6.1 million in 2014.

- For the 26th year in a row, generous Victorians directly supported the management of clinical trials in their region. More than \$15 million has been invested into Victorian clinical trial departments since the Clinical Trials Management Scheme began in 1988.

October

- In partnership with childhood cancer experts, Cancer Council Victoria launches new online resources to ensure everyone affected by childhood cancer gets the right information and support.
- Continuing to be the timeliest registry in the world, the Victorian Cancer Registry publishes its annual report *Cancer in Victoria: Statistics and Trends 2013*.
- 3485 Girls' Night In hosts raise \$1.3 million, helping Cancer Council Victoria reach its \$10 million fundraising goal since the campaign began a decade ago.

- Two studies receive National Health and Medical Research Council funding: Allison Hodge, Dallas English and Graham Giles for *Molecular epidemiology of gastric cancers*, and Roger Milne, Dallas English and Graham Giles for *A prospective study of the influence of health-related lifestyle factors on DNA methylation*.

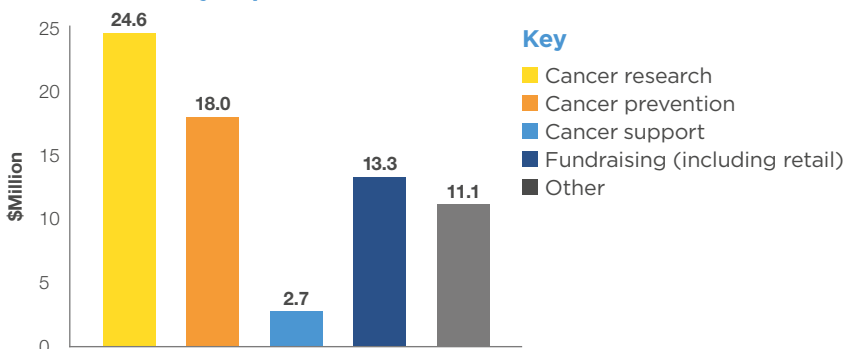
November

- In a world first, a study led by Cancer Council Victoria researchers prove women who carry a gene fault (or mutation) that increases cancer risk are well placed to help their peers cope in the wake of the same diagnosis.

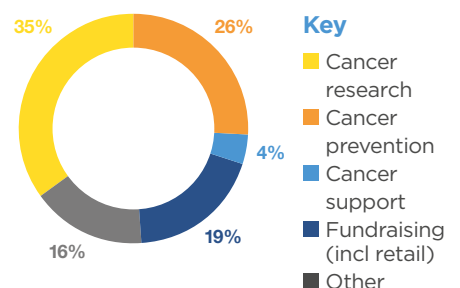
December

- We recognise Cancer Council Victoria's dedicated supporters and volunteers with our annual President's Awards.
- Cancer Council Victoria says goodbye to two giants of cancer research and cancer control; one of Victoria's leading cancer researchers Professor Donald Metcalf AC and public health pioneer and former Cancer Council Victoria director Dr Nigel Gray AO.
- New data released in the lead-up to the state ban on commercial solariums shows Victorians are ready to ditch the deadly machines, with 83% of Victorian adults supporting the incoming ban on solariums, which will be in place in Victoria and most other states and territories by 1 January 2015.

Where the money is spent \$M



Where the money is spent %



Support



Help available to navigate legal minefield

Having cancer can often raise legal issues for patients and their families, which is why Cancer Council Victoria now offers a free legal support service for eligible patients.

The Pro Bono Legal Referral Service complements Cancer Council's other free referral services including financial planning advice, workplace advisory service and advice for small business owners.

It's hoped the new service will help reduce the stress that patients can experience during treatment, particularly when they are struggling financially.

Health professionals can refer patients to the service, or patients can request it by calling Cancer Council 13 11 20 or visiting the website. The service is free to those who qualify via a means test, and paid assistance is also available.

Lawyers donate their time to provide advice on:

- End-of-life legal matters, including wills, powers of attorney and making arrangements for terminally ill clients with children.
- Legal matters relating to financial hardship, including early access to superannuation, insurance claims and disputes, mortgage hardship and other credit and debt issues.

- Employment issues and other disputes, including discrimination and tenancy matters.

The service, developed by Cancer Council New South Wales, is also available to those who speak languages other than English via an interpreter.

The most common legal issues experienced by those affected by cancer relate to wills, powers of attorney and enduring guardianship. Once established, it's anticipated this service will assist about 600 people per year.

Patients who have sought legal advice through this service interstate:

Susan, 45, a breast cancer survivor who was denied an insurance payout. The insurance company argued that her cancer was a "pre-existing condition" because Susan's family had a history of breast cancer – even though Susan had had a mammogram before taking out the policy that gave her the all clear.

Mark, 24, who wanted to access his superannuation early after being diagnosed with lymphoma only to discover his employer had not been making contributions. He tried to negotiate this directly with his employer but after getting nowhere sought legal advice.

Acting out boosts volunteer skills

Cancer Council Victoria began the roll out of a communication skills program to better equip Victorian volunteers working with cancer patients in hospital-based support lounges and wellness centres.

Developed by the Education and Training team within our Cancer Information and Support Service, the program enables volunteers to practice their communication skills and to receive feedback from an actor portraying emotions commonly encountered in a hospital setting.

Topics covered included: what is cancer; the impact of cancer; support available from Cancer Council; effective communication and responding to emotional cues; and boundaries and self-care.

Eight videos showing correct and incorrect ways of dealing with a variety of patient care scenarios were used as key training resources. The training was provided to 19 participants from Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre and Ballarat Regional Integrated Cancer Centre.

It has received excellent feedback from participants who said they welcomed the opportunity to share experiences with other volunteers, to practice new communication skills, and to improve their confidence.

The program is supported by the Ian Rollo Currie Estate Foundation, managed by Perpetual, and will be rolled out to other regions in 2015.



We have 165 support groups across Victoria



241 wigs were fitted by our Wig Service



1 IN 3

Victorians will develop a cancer by the age of 75



Research proves telephone support reduces stress

A team of researchers led by staff at Cancer Council assessed the effectiveness of a telephone-based peer support program in reducing distress among women carrying a mutation in either the BRCA1 or BRCA2 genes.

The trial involved trained volunteers, also mutation carriers, contacting female support recipients multiple times over four months to provide information, and emotional and practical support for those with an inherited gene that increases cancer risk.

Genetic testing for mutations in the BRCA1 and 2 genes is an increasingly routine part of medical care for women with a strong family history of breast and/or ovarian cancer.

Women who have a genetic mutation face complex risk management decisions, and research has identified gaps in the information and social support available to these women. Social support has been found to help reduce the impact of stressful events, increase information and improve coping.

After completing a questionnaire, 207 participants were identified as being interested in talking to other women with a BRCA1

or BRCA2 mutation. These women were randomised to receive either the intervention or usual care.

Researchers found that those in the intervention group which had the extra support felt less stressed immediately after the program and this continued, although to a lesser extent, two months later. The intervention was also effective in reducing unmet information needs, although this effect also reduced over time.

This study is the first to investigate whether a peer-support program for female gene mutation carriers is effective in reducing stress.

Despite some limitations, the study suggests that for women with a mutation in either of the BRCA1 or 2 genes interested in talking to other such women, a peer-support program may be effective at reducing distress and unmet information needs.

More work is needed to identify strategies that could extend the positive intervention effect and to determine the effectiveness of alternate ways of delivering support.

Gene Connect

Cancer Council Victoria provides a support service for people affected by an inherited gene that increases cancer risk.

Gene Connect is a free and confidential telephone peer support program linking people to a trained volunteer who has the same genetic risk factor.

Peer support volunteers offer emotional and practical support, not advice. This type of peer support has been shown to reduce stress and anxiety and to increase confidence when talking to and asking questions of health professionals.

In 2014, the Gene Connect program matched 18 women with a volunteer who made up to six peer support telephone calls.

Over the past seven years, the program has been supported by a small number of trained volunteers who are BRCA 1 or 2 positive and made the decision to have prophylactic surgery. The majority of calls have been about decision making, types of surgery and reconstruction experiences.

In 2015, the program will be expanded to cater for:

- 1 Women who have had breast or ovarian cancer and have tested gene positive
- 2 Women who have had extensive testing but with no gene identified
- 3 People who are gene positive for bowel cancers (FAP and Lynch Syndrome)

**We worked with
26 agencies
to provide over
1400 people
with financial
assistance totalling
\$232,560**



**We had 591 referrals to
our pro bono programs**

**131
trained Cancer
Connect volunteers
provided telephone
support**

Strategy



McCabe Centre training provides worldwide benefits

How to best use the law to prevent and control cancer was the focus of the McCabe Centre for Law and Cancer's inaugural Intensive Legal Training Program in 2014.

Held in collaboration with the Secretariat to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control and WHO's Regional Offices for Africa and the Western Pacific, 27 government and non-governmental representatives from 22 countries took part.

Participants were mostly lawyers from low- and middle-income countries working in Health and Attorney General departments.

The program builds capacity in developing countries in the use of law to prevent and control cancer and other non-communicable diseases. It covers legal issues across the cancer field including prevention, treatment and supportive care.

Beginning in 2015, the program will be conducted twice a year. It will consist of a two-week course of presentations, discussion, group work, case studies and practical exercises, followed by a third week, during which participants work on priority projects for their country and/or region.

There are also follow-up activities of information-sharing and technical support.

A new funding commitment by the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade will enable 90 government officials from developing countries in the Indo-Pacific Region to participate in the program over the next three years.

The McCabe Centre also conducts training in conjunction with the World Cancer Congress and World Cancer Leaders' Summit, and supports its partners to conduct training in their own countries and regions.

The McCabe Centre for Law and Cancer is a joint initiative of Cancer Council Victoria and the Union for International Cancer Control, the leading global cancer control non-governmental organisation.

Image above: Participants from the McCabe Centre training in February 2014.

Advocating to improve the cancer experience

In 2014, Cancer Council's Clinical Network was focused on helping to improve survival and the cancer experience for patients.

Clinicians helped develop a number of the priorities that made up Cancer Council Victoria's State Election Platform, including supporting patients to navigate complex health services. A pilot project to study the effectiveness of cancer care coordinators with a specific patient group is being developed, and if successful, it's hoped this program will be rolled out more widely.

Another priority for the Network was continuing to advocate for improvements to the Victorian Patient and Transport Assistance Scheme (VPTAS). The Network partnered with other health and allied organisations to successfully lobby the Victorian government to commit to improving the scheme. In the 2014 budget an extra \$13.8 million was announced.

The Network continued its work on improving clinical trials, with extra funds allocated to 16 sites to test whether this would increase patient recruitment, and improving access to information with each website now listing the most appropriate co-ordinator contact for each trial.

Clinicians also helped develop statements on topical issues affecting cancer patients, including medical cannabis use in cancer care, and on the proposed Medicare co-payment.



**44 DEPARTMENTS
ACROSS 26 HOSPITALS
RECEIVED \$800,000
AS PART OF THE
CLINICAL TRIALS
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SCHEME TO INCREASE
PARTICIPATION**

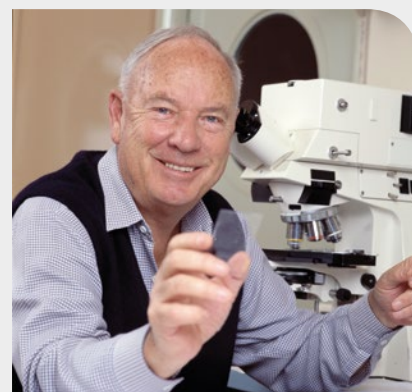
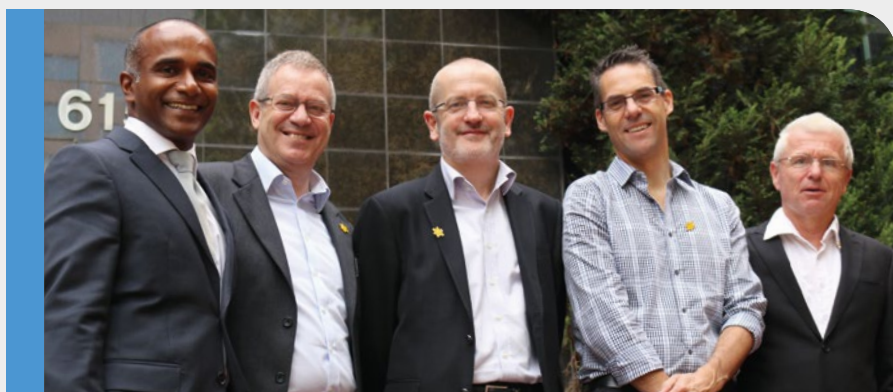


**took part in the McCabe
Centre legal training program**

500+
**cancer clinicians &
health professionals
took part in our
educational events**



Research



Venturesome research backed by donors

Four of Victoria's leading cancer researchers will begin their potentially game-changing projects in 2015 after being awarded a Cancer Council Victoria Venture Grant.

It's only the second time Cancer Council Victoria has offered the Venture Grants Scheme, with 89 applications received – up from the 37 submitted in the first round. Wholly funded by donors, this scheme is unique in that it is designed to support innovative researchers with courageous ideas who would not be able to attract conventional funding.

In choosing the final projects (below), an extensive peer-review process was carried out by the Venture Grants Scientific Committee, headed by Professor Joe Trapani. The Committee applied criteria of excellence, feasibility, and a genuine belief that the research can potentially lead to big advances in cancer control. The high risk nature of the selected projects will be mitigated by strict milestones.

Identification of new therapeutic strategies for aggressive breast cancer:

Professor Roger Daly, Monash University
Identify ways to treat a highly aggressive subtype of breast cancer that constitutes up to 2000 Australian diagnoses yearly.

Discovering new therapies to eradicate cancer stem cells:

Associate Professor Mark Dawson, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre
Develop treatments to eradicate leukaemia stem cells to assist those diagnosed with an aggressive form of the disease.

New treatments for multiple myeloma:

Professor Ricky Johnstone, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre
Discover new proteins and pathways that allow for the growth and survival of cells in order to find new treatments.

Novel method to find genes that control cancer development:

Professor Andreas Strasser, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research
Use an exciting new technology to find the specific genes that stop cancer from developing.

The four researchers will be known as Metcalf Venture Grant Recipients in honour of the late Professor Donald Metcalf, a ground-breaking cancer researcher for 60 years.

Image above: A/Prof Mark Dawson, Prof Joe Trapani, Prof Roger Daly, Prof Ricky Johnstone and Prof Andreas Strasser.

In memory of Professor Donald Metcalf AC 1942–2014

Professor Donald Metcalf AC's painstaking and dedicated research over six decades contributed significantly to how we understand and treat cancer.

Named as the Cancer Council Victoria Carden Fellow in 1954 at The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute, he is most recognised for discovering, isolating and producing agents called Colony Stimulating Factors.

While he officially "retired" in 1996, Don continued to devote his life to cancer research.

For this work, Don received more than 20 of the highest honours in contemporary science around the world. He was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia in 1976 and a Companion of the Order of Australia in 1993.

His loss will be felt by the cancer research community both in Australia and overseas.

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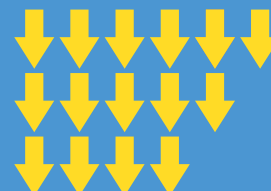
applicants for
our **Venture
Grants Scheme**



MOST COMMON CANCERS ARE:

- ✱ PROSTATE
- ✱ BREAST
- ✱ BOWEL
- ✱ LUNG
- ✱ MELANOMA

**Victorian cancer
mortality rates
have been declining
steadily since 1982**



Research (cont'd)



New study has potential for future breakthroughs



Cancer Council Victoria's newest research study will follow the health of 50,000 Australians over the coming decades to investigate the roles that genes, lifestyle and environment play in the development of cancer and other diseases.

While most cancer research involves people who have been diagnosed with cancer, the Australian Breakthrough Cancer (ABC) Study works with adults aged between 40-74 years who have never been diagnosed with cancer, other than non-melanoma skin cancer.

The study has been designed to be done from the home, to make it as convenient as possible for those taking part.

Participants complete questionnaires about their health, diet, lifestyle and the history of cancer in their family. A small saliva sample is also collected so that DNA can be extracted and the genetic bases of disease explored.

Launched in November, more than 1500 people from across Australia had registered to take part in the ABC Study by the end of 2014.

The Study follows on from an earlier Cancer Council study called Health 2020. More than 40,000 Victorians joined Health 2020 in the 1990s and, nearly 25 years on, the information and samples they provided continue to contribute to cancer prevention around the world.

Health 2020 has produced more than 400 scientific papers and provided valuable data to researchers looking into cancer and many other diseases.

The ABC Study, and the many Australians taking part in it, will provide the next generation of data. With the benefit of advances in genetic research technologies, the study has the potential to lead to breakthrough discoveries in the causes of cancer.



Colebatch Fellow targets therapies

Associate Professor Sherene Loi will look at targeted therapies for breast cancer as the recipient of Cancer Council Victoria's prestigious 2014 Colebatch Clinical Research Fellowship.

She will carry out world-first clinical trials into how targeted therapies can be used in combination with immunotherapies to treat breast cancer. If successful, these trials could be "practice changing" within the next five years.

A medical oncologist and scientist at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Associate Professor Loi expects her results to be of interest to breast cancer patients and clinicians both in Australia, and world-wide.

Worth \$1.5 million over five years, the Fellowship was made possible thanks to a generous bequest from the Reg Geary Estate.



fall in mortality rates for breast cancer over past 20 years



People are needed for the ABC Study

13 students awarded a Summer Vacation Studentship





Survey shows students aren't physically active enough

Students are not meeting the recommended physical activity levels according to findings from a national survey led by Cancer Council Victoria behavioural scientists.

The National Secondary Students' Diet and Activity (NaSSDA) survey tracks the body weight, and dietary and physical activity behaviour of Australian adolescents.

Results from the survey will form a report on the prevalence of overweight/obesity among Australian secondary school students and their adherence to national physical activity and sedentary behaviour guidelines.

Obesity is a risk factor for breast, bowel, oesophageal, pancreas, uterine, kidney, gallbladder and thyroid cancers.

Researchers surveyed 8888 secondary school students in years 8-11 from 196 schools across Australia. Data on the students' dietary and physical activity behaviour was collected via a web-based survey.

Measurements of students' height, weight and waist circumference were taken by trained researchers in a confidential setting, and an audit of the school food and activity environment also conducted.

Overall, the survey found 23% of students were overweight or obese, with prevalence higher among males than females. The proportion of students categorised as overweight or obese has remained relatively stable since the same study was done in 2009-10.

The survey also found that just 18% of students reported meeting physical activity recommendations over a week, with males more likely to be doing more than females.

Only a minority of students met the recommendations for using electronic media for entertainment during the school week (23%) and on the weekend (11%), with females more likely than males to use electronic media less.

Students who exceed the recommended amount of screen time are more likely to have low physical activity levels.

The 2012-13 NaSSDA survey was jointly funded by state Cancer Councils through Cancer Council Australia, by the National Heart Foundation of Australia, and by state and territory government health departments.

Mortality rates still high

Aboriginal Victorians continue to die of cancer at a significantly higher rate than non-Aboriginal Victorians, according to the Victorian Cancer Registry's report: Cancer in Victoria: Statistics & Trends 2013.

Each year there are more than 100 new diagnoses of cancer among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Victorians, and more than 40 cancer-related deaths.

The most common cancer types among Aboriginal Victorians were lung, bowel, breast, prostate, lymphoma, melanoma, head and neck, and kidney. Higher incidence rates for some cancers are associated with tobacco use, alcohol consumption, and infection with human papilloma virus (HPV).

Greater mortality rates may be linked with diagnoses occurring at more advanced disease stage, which may reflect problems around timely access to treatment and insufficient participation in cancer screening services.

In working to improve cancer outcomes for Aboriginal communities, Cancer Council will introduce its first Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) in 2015. The RAP provides a framework in which Cancer Council will continue to build relationships with, demonstrate respect, and create opportunities for Victorian Aboriginal communities. A survey of Cancer Council staff revealed that out of 157 respondents, more than 88% supported the development of a RAP.



are overweight or obese, with higher prevalence among males than females

400
data requests
were processed
by the Victorian
Cancer Registry



MORTALITY RATES
ARE HIGHER
FOR ABORIGINAL
VICTORIANS
THAN FOR
NON-ABORIGINAL
VICTORIANS

Prevention



Cats help smokers kick the habit

Quit Victoria teamed up with the Geelong Cats and Healthy Together Geelong to tackle the city's high smoking rates.

While the average smoking rate across Victoria has fallen to a record low 13.3%, more than 20% of adults in Geelong still smoke.

To encourage smokers to quit and stay quit, Cancer Council Victoria staff developed a Cats Don't Smoke mobile app. It was officially launched at the Geelong Cats v North Melbourne game on May 23 in front of more than 27,000 fans.

The app enables people to receive supportive messages from Cats' captain Joel Selwood and the rest of the team, track how the body is recovering after quitting, and calculate how much they've saved since quitting. Research shows partnering with sporting clubs is an effective way of encouraging smokers to quit.

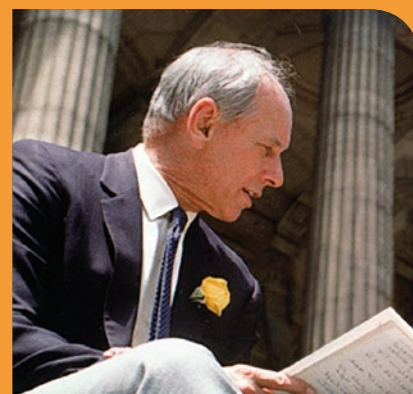
The partnership is one element of the Geelong Football Club's broader commitment to create a healthier Geelong, which includes making Simonds Stadium a smokefree venue.

Triggers the focus of new Quit campaign

Quit Victoria's new animated campaign was designed to help smokers recognise triggers and cope with the impulse to smoke.

The Triggers campaign was based on Cancer Council Victoria data, which showed women were more likely than men to identify stress (83% v 74%) and phone calls (30% v 18%) as a trigger, while men rated work breaks as theirs.

While research shows graphic and emotional ads have been influential in driving down smoking rates, smokers also need to be supported in their efforts to quit, hence the more positive tone of the Triggers campaign.



In memory of Dr Nigel Gray AO 1928–2014

Dr Nigel Gray was a pioneer of tobacco control, both in Australia and internationally.

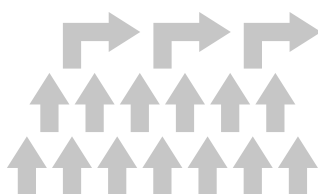
He was director of Cancer Council Victoria from 1968 until 1995, and President of the Union for International Cancer Control from 1990 to 1994.

Nigel dedicated his life's work to tobacco control, galvanising cancer societies and others into a worldwide campaign on smoking. He instigated the use of forceful anti-smoking ads, pressed for health warnings, led public education and advocacy, helped establish robust behaviour research, and played a crucial role in the Australian ban on tobacco advertising.

His tobacco and cancer control models have been adopted around the world, and adapted for other major health issues, such as alcohol and obesity. He leaves a legacy that will be remembered and admired for many decades to come.

Top smoking triggers:

- 1** Being around friends who smoke (80%)
- 2** Stress (78%)
- 3** Parties/nights out (76%)



Lung cancer rates in Victorian women have plateaued



Almost half of Victorians avoid an outdoor dining area due to smoking



Screening initiative targets Victoria's newest residents

Newly arrived immigrant and refugee communities are being better supported in accessing cancer screening information and services thanks to a joint initiative by Cancer Council Victoria, PapScreen Victoria and BreastScreen Victoria with funding from the Victorian Government.

The initiative, now in its second year, enables support workers from migrant resource centres and other agencies to access free professional development. Free workshops, run over two days, provide workers with information about the importance of cancer screening with a focus on breast, bowel and cervical cancer. Workers are also instructed on how to run a community education session.

Participants are encouraged to apply for a community grant to run a local event and to educate newly arrived communities about the importance of cancer screening. Many services also provide orientation tours so community members become familiar with their local cervical screening or mammography clinic.

This great initiative has built sustainable partnerships and pathways to ensure that all communities have access to equitable and effective preventative health services.

Pap test video aims to ease fears

With just 47% of young women having regular cervical screening, PapScreen Victoria and Cancer Council Victoria released a humorous video to help relieve some of the anxiety young women feel about having a Pap test.

About 90% of cervical cancers can be prevented through regular Pap tests, but fear and embarrassment mean many younger women avoid having them. National guidelines recommend that all women aged 18 to 70 who have been sexually active should have a Pap test every two years.

The How to prepare for a Pap test video was promoted via digital advertising and social media, with women encouraged to share the video with the women in their lives.

It is also available as a resource for health professionals and community workers, such as nurse cervical screening providers and GPs, to help raise awareness.

PapScreen Victoria is funded by the Victorian Department of Health as part of the National Cervical Screening Program and is coordinated by Cancer Council Victoria.

Helping Victorians LiveLighter

To combat the rise in overweight and obesity, Cancer Council Victoria and the Heart Foundation launched a new education campaign that encourages Victorians to eat well, be physically active and maintain a healthy weight.

The LiveLighter mass media campaign includes television commercials which graphically portray the damage that unhealthy weight, poor diet and physical inactivity can cause to internal organs.

Nearly two thirds of Victorians are overweight and obese, increasing their risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers.

The campaign explains why fat around the waist and visceral fat around internal organs is bad for overall health, and also provides plenty of practical tips, tools, and resources for maintaining a healthy weight.

There is also an easy-to-use website which provides even more information, resources and tools, including an online meal and activity planner with healthy recipes. Nearly 6000 people have signed up to the planner since its launch.

First implemented in Western Australia in 2012, LiveLighter was rolled out here as a Victorian Government-funded initiative under Healthy Together Victoria.

The campaign is funded until June 2015 and will be evaluated by Cancer Council's behavioural researchers.



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OBESITY IS A RISK FACTOR FOR BREAST, BOWEL, OESOPHAGEAL, PANCREAS, UTERINE, KIDNEY, GALLBLADDER AND THYROID CANCERS.

5% of all cancers are linked to long-term chronic alcohol use



Advocacy



Advocating for better cancer outcomes

In the lead up to the November state election, Cancer Council Victoria worked with our supporters and those passionate about improving cancer outcomes to take action on cancer, and to have our voice heard.

Cancer Council developed 15 state election priorities across the cancer control spectrum of support, prevention and research. We then surveyed our supporters on which cancer issues were most important to them. More than 2400 people filled in the survey, with 98% of respondents saying cancer control should be a priority for the next government.

The top issues identified for our supporters were: surviving all types of cancer; excellence in research; helping people cut their cancer risk (through public education); improving access for regional and rural Victorians; and committing to bowel screening.

More than 900 people also chose to share their personal stories with us about how cancer has affected their lives. These stories help illustrate the devastating effects cancer has on the community.

During the campaign supporters highlighted these issues to their local Member of Parliament and in the media.

During the election campaign, all three major political parties promised to take action on cancer in the areas of prevention, research and support.

For example, both the Victorian Liberal Party and the Victorian Greens committed to banning smoking in outdoor dining areas. This is an issue that Cancer Council has campaigned for over many years.

We also welcomed a commitment from both the Coalition Government and Labor State Opposition to introduce new laws that will make it easier for career and volunteer firefighters with cancer access compensation in this state. Such successes in advocacy are only possible by taking action together with our supporters.

Image above: Erica Ruck, who has pancreatic cancer, spoke about the importance of investment in research into high-mortality cancers as part of our advocacy in the lead up to the November state election.

Global focus on Melbourne

Cancer Council Victoria staff were heavily involved in the 2014 World Cancer Congress, which took place in Melbourne in December.

Organised by the Union for International Cancer Control and hosted by Cancer Council Australia, the Congress gathered cancer control experts, practitioners and advocates together to discuss the latest cancer information.

One of the key objectives of the Congress was to give delegates the tools available to enable them to make a difference now in the global fight against cancer.

More than 2700 cancer advocates from 115 countries attended the four-day event to discuss topics as diverse as the cost of cancer care, innovation in rural cancer service delivery, alcohol marketing in a digital age, and the debate about e-cigarettes.

Some of the big media stories included the release of draft guidelines around the use of prostate cancer testing to help maximise benefits for patients while minimising harms, and the launch of the American Cancer Society, all-new Cancer Atlas, which compiles 184 countries worth of research and data into a "one-stop shop" for cancer research.

Cancer Council Victoria staff spoke at the event, assisted in organising, liaised with media, presented abstracts, hosted attendees and volunteered.



staff were session speakers or abstract presenters at World Cancer Congress

2,400+
responded to our
advocacy survey:
906 people
shared their
cancer story

Top three cancer issues:

- 1** Surviving all types of cancer
- 2** Excellence in research
- 3** Helping people cut their cancer risk

Fundraising



Girls' Night In reaches \$10 million milestone

Nearly 3500 hosts got their friends and family together for a Girls' Night In in 2014, helping Cancer Council Victoria reach its goal of raising \$10 million since the campaign began a decade ago.

The 2014 campaign raised \$1.2 million to help the more than 5000 Victorian women who face a breast or gynaecological cancer diagnosis each year.

To hold a Girls' Night In, hosts simply have to register an event, invite their family and girlfriends around for a fun night in and ask them to donate what they would have spent on a night out.

Events can be big or small and range from a casual dinner party, a movie night or a pampering session.

Money raised from the campaign goes to supporting women with cancer through Cancer Council services such as our wig library, psychosexual counselling, and legal and financial assistance.

Cancer Council also uses the funds for research into women's cancers, and to promote screening programs to encourage women to get a mammogram and Pap test.

Over the past 20 years, five-year survival for breast cancer has increased from 73% to 90% in Victoria.

There have also been improvements in the detection and treatment of gynaecological cancers, which include uterine, ovarian and cervical.

Image above: 112 dedicated Girls' Night In hosts were treated to a pampering session at a VIP event. The aim of such nights is to thank our highest fundraisers and longest-serving hosts and inspire them to continue being involved.

A better Relay experience

Relay For Life launched a new website nationally in 2014 to improve recruitment of participants, increase fundraising and make it easier to manage teams.

The new website and fundraising platform was created with the help of feedback from Relay managers, staff and committee members.

TeamRaiser is a powerful fundraising tool that allows teams to recruit more easily while maximising fundraising before and after each event. The website is built on a "peer-to-peer" fundraising model, which allows Relayers to connect with their networks and turn the average participant into a top fundraiser. Each person can set and track goals as well as personalise their profile.

Mobile compatible, the website has social sharing functions and can be fully customised by the participant to improve their Relay experience.

The website features standardised reporting and tracking tools and an integrated email system to recruit and coach teams to reach their fundraising potential. The new platform will also provide insights for other fundraising campaigns.

Cancer Council is one of only two organisations in Australia using the TeamRaiser platform. This gives Relay a competitive advantage, and it's anticipated that Relay fundraising and recruitment rates will benefit.

45,222 VICTORIANS PARTICIPATED IN



68 RELAY FOR LIFE EVENTS RAISING \$6.1 MILLION



was raised by 6654 hosts holding a morning tea

939 Victorians took part in a Challenge or I Will For Cancer event



Our supporters



Awards recognise outstanding supporters

A long-time volunteer, a budding cyclist, and an inspiring family were all recognised for their dedication at the 2014 President's Awards.

Held at Cancer Council Victoria headquarters, the Awards event was a chance for CEO Todd Harper and President Margaret Hamilton to thank supporters for their help and generosity throughout the year. About 200 volunteers, fundraisers and donors attended.

On the night an individual President Award went to Cancer Council volunteer Dorothy Yiu who has been instrumental in promoting cancer health messages to the Chinese community. A founding member of the Chinese Cancer Society of Victoria, Dorothy has also worked as a bilingual health facilitator on prevention programs since 1991.

At the moment, Dorothy is helping promote breast health awareness and Quit messaging, and has worked as a Living With Cancer Education Program facilitator for almost 10 years.

The second individual award went to Kieren Devisser, who at the age of just 16 completed an impressive 2700 kilometre bike ride in

26 days between Uluru and Melbourne. Along the way he raised more than \$10,000 for Cancer Council Victoria.

Kieren was inspired to take on the I Will For Cancer challenge as a way of encouraging others to not only be aware of living a healthy lifestyle to cut their cancer risk, but also to get out there and make a difference. He has since trained as a community speaker, allowing him to share his story and inspire others.

The group President's Award went to the Jacobs family for their dedicated involvement in the Hawthorn Relay For Life. In 2006, Graeme and Gill's daughter Tiffany was diagnosed with oesophageal cancer at the age of 27 and passed away just three months later. Within six weeks Graeme, Gill and a group of friends got the first Hawthorn Relay up and running.

During their time with the Hawthorn Relay, Graeme and Gill have assisted in raising more than \$1 million.

Image above: President's Award recipients Kieren Devisser, Dorothy Yiu, and Graeme and Gill Jacobs.

Our volunteers

Our volunteers have a passion and commitment to reduce the impact of cancer in the community. We couldn't do our work without them.

By the numbers

- 1258 volunteers contributed more than 19,100 hours in 2014, saving half a million dollars.
- 1090 corporate volunteers from 26 organisations volunteered 5411 hours.
- 103 new volunteers, including 9 interns.
- 16 volunteers at the warehouse in Laverton.
- 32 community speakers attended 66 events, reaching 9295 people.
- 27 volunteers in the volunteer workroom completed 257 jobs.
- 25 regional volunteer groups raised \$400,000.
- 131 Cancer Connect volunteers provided information and support.
- Volunteers and staff answered 20,006 calls to the Supporters Hotline. They made 24,801 calls.
- 165 Cancer Council Victoria recognised Cancer Support Groups provided supportive care across Victoria.
- 667 registered Relay For Life volunteers.



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By the numbers

Fundraisers

- 45,222 Victorians in 2285 teams participated in Relay For Life, raising \$6.1 million.
- \$1.9 million was raised for Daffodil Day thanks to 1478 volunteers, 1386 supporters and 517 sponsors.
- For Pink Ribbon Day, generous Victorians helped us raise \$547,000.
- 439 I Will For Cancer supporters raised \$622,542 their own unique way.
- 500 supporters undertook a Challenge Event, raising \$260,000.
- 6654 Australia's Biggest Morning Tea hosts helped raise over \$2.6 million.
- 3485 Victorians hosted a Girls' Night In, raising \$1.3 million.
- 120 people chose to donate in lieu of gifts for their special occasion, raising over \$31,000, while 275 couples donated \$129,000 in lieu of traditional bonbonniere.

Donors

- 24,000 individuals made a cash donation.
- 44 individual trusts made financial contributions in 2014.
- \$11.5 million was received in bequests.

- 954 supporters included Cancer Council Victoria in their Will.
- 7576 people made regular gifts through our Breakthrough program.

Shop

- 6200 customers bought items from our store.
- 6400 litres of sunscreen, 13,300 hats and 10,100 pairs of sunglasses were sold.
- 20,900 orders were dispatched from our mail order and online fulfilment area.
- Our online sales totalled \$1.27 million compared to \$1.17 million in 2013.

Staff

- There were 460 Cancer Council Victoria employees, with 378 women and 82 men.
- Per head, there were 258 full-time, 131 part-time and 71 casual employees.
- 2014 People Matters Survey showed that of the 240 participants, 31% of staff members were born overseas and 20% spoke a language other than English at home.

Image above: Our events, such as Daffodil Day are only made possible with the help of our supporters.



Our donors

Like many of us, Jean Drury's (pictured) life has been touched by cancer with several family members diagnosed with the disease.

Jean began donating to Cancer Council Victoria more than 35 years ago. Now living in an aged care home, the 95-year-old's philanthropy continues thanks to her cousins, Rosemary and Neville Castles.

"We know that Jean would have liked to continue donating to Cancer Council," Neville said. "It's nice to know that her money is going to a worthy cause."

Jean has provided a majority of her support over the past three years through various donor appeals.

Thanks to Jean's support, we've been able to fund a number of Victorian researchers. In 2015, her donations will help fund world-class research, including into melanoma and breast cancer through the Grants-in-Aid program. She is also supporting Cancer Council's Forgotten Cancers Project.

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Governance and Finance

Organisation structure



Cancer Council Victoria is the business name of the Anti-Cancer Council Victoria.

The Council

President

Professor Margaret Hamilton, AO

Chief Executive Officer

Mr Todd Harper

Committees

Executive Committee

Chair, Professor Andrew Roberts

Executive Sub Committee

Ms Maria Trinci

Chair, Professor Andrew Roberts

President, Professor Margaret Hamilton, AO

Appeals Committee

Finance, Risk, Audit and Compliance Committee

Chair, Ms Maria Trinci

Human Research Ethics Committee

Chair, Professor Richard (Dick) Fox, AM

Medical and Scientific Committee

Chair, Professor Joseph Trapani

Institutional Research Review Committee

Chair, Dr Nigel Gray, AO

Venture Grants Committee

Chair, Professor Joseph Trapani

Enabling Services

Chief Operating Officer

Priscilla Hinds

Programs

Cancer Epidemiology and Intelligence Division

Head of Division

Professor Graham Giles

Victorian Cancer Registry

Helen Farrugia

Behavioural Science Division

Head of Division

Professor Melanie Wakefield

Cancer Strategy and Support Division

Head of Division

Nicola Quin

Cancer Information and Support Service (CISS)

Dr Anna Boltong

Clinical Network

Rachel Whiffen

Research Management Unit

Nicola Quin

Victorian Cancer Biobank

Audrey Partanen

Fundraising and Communication Division

Head of Division

Andrew Buchanan

Prevention Division

Head of Division

Craig Sinclair

Quit Victoria

Dr Sarah White

McCabe Centre for Law and Cancer

Director

Jonathan Liberman

Nigel Gray Fellowship

Professor Ron Borland

Executive Committee (Board) Members



Professor Andrew Roberts

Chair

MBBS, FRACP, FRCPA, PhD

A Clinical Haematologist at the Royal

Melbourne Hospital, Head of Clinical Translation at the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, and Principal Fellow, Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences at The University of Melbourne. He has been an Executive Committee Member since 2004, appointed by the Medical and Scientific Committee.



Dr Stewart A Hart, AM

MBBS, FRACS

A Surgical Oncologist in private practice specialising in breast disease. He is the former Head of the

Breast Surgical Service at Monash Medical Centre, Southern Health and Foundation Director of the Monash BreastScreen program. Currently Stewart continues as a Consultant Surgeon to the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Breast Service and Monash Cancer Centre, Southern Health. He has been an Executive Committee Member since 2003, and is appointed by the Medical and Scientific Committee.



Professor Peter Fuller, AM

MBBS, BMedSc (Hons), PhD, FRACP

A National Health and Medical Research Council Senior Principal Research

Fellow and Associate Director at Prince Henry's Institute of Medical Research, Director of the Endocrinology Unit at the Monash Medical Centre/Southern Health, and an Adjunct Professor in Medicine and Biochemistry at Monash University. He has been an Executive Committee Member since 2003, appointed by the Medical and Scientific Committee.



Mrs Avis Macphee, AM

AAIMS

A retired Medical Scientist, is the founder and coordinator of the Bone Marrow

Donor Institute Breast Cancer Support Group of the Fight Cancer Foundation. Her current appointments include Membership of the Victorian Breast Cancer Research Consortium Board and Scientific Committee and membership of the Victorian Cancer Biobank Committee. She also represents the Breast Cancer Network Australia and the Breast Cancer Action Group. She is a Member of the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research. She has been an Executive Committee member since 2006.



Ms Onella Stagoll, OAM

BA, DipSocStuds (Melb), MSW (Columbia)

Inaugural CEO of BreastScreen Victoria and held that post

from 1992 until 2002. She has had a long-standing and successful career in the health field. With a strong interest in public sector service provision, women's health and consumer participation in decision-making, her experience has spanned federal and state governments, the not-for-profit and private sectors and community development organisations.



Mr Michael O'Bryan, SC

LLB (Hons), BSc (Melb)

Barrister at the Victorian Bar, practising in the areas of corporate

and commercial law, competition law and administrative law. He has been an Executive Committee Member since 2003.



Professor Joe Trapani

MBBS, FRACP, PhD, FFS (RCPA)

Executive Director of Cancer Research and Head of the Cancer Immunology

Program at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre in Melbourne. Joe is a Professorial Fellow and Head of the Sir Peter MacCallum Department of Oncology at The University of Melbourne, and an honorary Adjunct Professor in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at Monash University. He has been a Member since 2007 and is appointed by the Medical and Scientific Committee.



Adjunct A/Professor Jeremy Millar

BMedSc, MBChB, FRANZCR, FACHPM

Past Director of the Southern Melbourne Integrated Cancer

Service (SMICS) and currently Director of Radiation Oncology at Alfred Health in Melbourne. He oversees both an academic radiation centre in metropolitan Melbourne, as well as Alfred Health's satellite regional centre in Gippsland. He leads the Radiation Oncology Genito-Urinary cancer group at Alfred Health. He is an adjunct Associate Professor at the Monash and RMIT Universities. A/Prof Millar is the current Chair of Cancer Council Victoria's Clinical Network. He has been an Executive Committee Member since 2013.



Ms Maria Trinci

BComm, BA, CA

A Partner at KPMG, she has over 12 years experience in financial services, focusing particularly in the banking sector.

Maria has extensive project management experience and has worked internationally with a focus on financial institutions. Maria has been an Executive Committee Member since 2010 and Chair of the Finance, Risk, Audit and Compliance Committee.



Mr David Gibbs

B.Comm, FCA, FAICD, CTA, STEP

A practising Chartered Accountant and Consultant with a career in financial matters spanning

some 35 years. David is a committed supporter and office bearer of numerous community based and youth organisations. He has been an Executive Committee Member since October 2012, appointed by the Finance Committee.

Executive Committee report

The Executive Committee (Board) of Cancer Council Victoria approves strategic directions, the organisational structure, policies and processes required to implement our corporate objectives. It meets six times a year.



New location

The Board was pleased to oversee the transition from our two locations in Carlton to the new headquarters on St Kilda Road. The new building offers the chance for the organisation to work more collaboratively and effectively across divisions. The move has seen an increase in staff satisfaction with their working environment, and the new building provides a welcoming and comfortable space for use by the community.

Governance

Senior management reports

The Board received regular reports on internal matters as well as external events relevant to the operations of Cancer Council Victoria from CEO Todd Harper, who also reported against the strategic objectives. COO Priscilla Hinds provided regular reports to the Board and to the Finance, Risk, Audit and Compliance (FRAC) Committee on the business and risk management of the organisation. Throughout the year the Board also received reports from Division Heads.

Cancer Council Research

In December the Board approved the allocation of \$3.4 million into 13 new research projects under its Grants-in-Aid program, to commence in 2015.

It also supported Round 2 of the Venture Grants Scheme, a visionary approach to research funding. This scheme is wholly donor funded, with \$1 million already raised before the projects had begun.

Board membership

On behalf of the Board, I would like to acknowledge Glenys Fraser who stepped down in April. Glenys made important contributions, bringing views from both the legal and community perspectives to the

decision-making table. I would also like to pay tribute to former board member Bruce Ward who passed away at the beginning of 2014. A highly respected, admired and long serving advocate for the cancer cause, Bruce was a passionate board member since April 2011, and on the Appeals Committee from August 2010.

Relationships with committees

The Board continued to receive advice and regular reports from the Human Research Ethics, Medical and Scientific, and the FRAC committees. With the sad passing of Mr Bruce Ward who chaired the Appeals Committee, the Executive Committee took on the responsibility of that committee for much of 2014. The Human Research Ethics Committee provided reports on projects approved, as well as the annual certification of compliance with the National Statement of Ethical Conduct in Human Research.

The Cancer Act

The Victorian Parliament passed the *Improving Cancer Outcomes Act 2014*, meaning a change in governance for Cancer Council Victoria from a body constituted under the *Cancer Act 1958* to a Company Limited by Guarantee. This is due to come into effect by 1 October 2015.

The Board supports this move as it will bring us into line with other state and territory Councils. Under the new arrangements, Cancer Council will be responsible for determining membership of its Council, and the Council will be responsible for appointing Cancer Council's Board members.

Collaborative relationships

Cancer Council Australia

Cancer Council participated in Cancer Council Australia initiatives and policy discussions, with Ms Onella Stagoll OAM and Ms Jane Fenton AM continuing to represent us on the Board of Cancer Council Australia.

Australian Government

Cancer Council Victoria received support from the Australian Government for the Centre for Law and Cancer to continue its work in delivering training to developing countries. We also welcomed an announcement that the Government would widen its National Bowel Cancer Screening Program to include 70 and 74 year olds.

State Government

The Government announced it would increase funding to the Victorian Patient Transport and Assistance Scheme, with an additional \$13.8 million over four years. Accommodation support has been increased to \$41 and petrol reimbursement is now 20c per kilometre.

We also welcomed a commitment for the introduction of new laws that will make it easier for career and volunteer firefighters with cancer to access compensation in Victoria.

The Government also funded Cancer Council Victoria and the Heart Foundation's new healthy living campaign, LiveLighter.

VicHealth

In 2014 VicHealth continued to fund a number of Cancer Council Victoria initiatives, including Quit, SunSmart, the Obesity Policy Coalition and the Alcohol Policy Coalition.

Farewells

The Board was saddened to hear of the passing of Professor Donald Metcalf AC and Dr Nigel Gray AO. Both men played truly transforming roles in cancer research and control, and millions of lives have been saved as a result of their work. Cancer Council Victoria is enormously proud of their contributions to humanity, and is inspired by their examples to achieve even more in reducing the impact of cancer on our community.

Professor Andrew Roberts Chair

Finance, Risk, Audit and Compliance Committee report

A committee of the board, its primary function is to oversee financial matters, internal and external audits and compliance with appropriate legislation, regulations and standards.



Under the leadership of Maria Trinci, the committee met regularly throughout 2014 to receive reports relating to accounting, risk management and financial matters.

The key matters considered by the committee during the year included:

- Review and approval of the annual financial statements, liaison with representatives from the Victorian Auditor-General's Office and its audit.
- Oversight of action taken in response to the matters raised by the Auditor-General in its management letter relating to the financial report for 2013.
- Review of the internal audit undertaken by Ernst & Young and others, and oversight of the action taken in response to the matters.
- Oversight of the financial position of the Council, including the investment portfolio and budgeting process.
- Review of material risks highlighting mitigations strategies, incident management and control issues.

Income

In 2014 our total income decreased by 12.5%, or \$9.2 million to \$64.5 million.

Charitable support decreased by \$9.6 million, this includes the following:

- Bequests decreased by \$10.4 million. 2013 included an unusually large bequest for \$11 million;
- Relay For Life income decreased by 7.3% or \$0.5 million. The 2013 result included biannual events not held in 2014. On a like for like basis Relay For Life income decreased by 1.4%;

- Donations increased by \$1.4 million, which includes returns for the first year of Face-to-Face acquisitions, and increased funding received for the Venture Grants Scheme.

Funding from government and other external bodies decreased by 3% or \$0.9 million. This reflects the conclusion of a number NHMRC grants in 2013.

Expenditure

During 2014 total expenditure increased by 11.9%, or \$7.4 million.

\$24.6 million was applied to research, which is \$1.7 million more than last year. This includes the awarding of new research grants and the commencement of the ABC Study.

\$20.7 million was applied to prevention, early detection and support programs. This is \$1.1 million more than 2013, and includes increased spending for the new Live Lighter program.

In 2014 Cancer Council Victoria's fundraising costs were \$12.7 million. This is an increase of \$2.7 million and includes investment in the Face-to-Face program (designed to increase Regular Donors), additional event advertising and the National Relay program.

Full time equivalent staffing levels decreased 1% in 2014 from 319 in 2013 to 316.

Following the move to leased premises at 615 St Kilda Road, Melbourne in August 2013, the organisation continues to invest in accommodation and technology. As a result, administration costs increased in 2014 by \$1.8 million to \$10.8 million.

Financial result

The operational net result was a deficit of \$5.2 million.

There were also total gains on the investment portfolio of \$1.3 million resulting in a comprehensive net deficit of \$3.9 million.

Cash flow and outlook for 2015

At the end of 2014, the cash balance was \$1.1 million, and there were \$73.9 million of investment funds available to fund Cancer Council Victoria's operating activities.

Investments

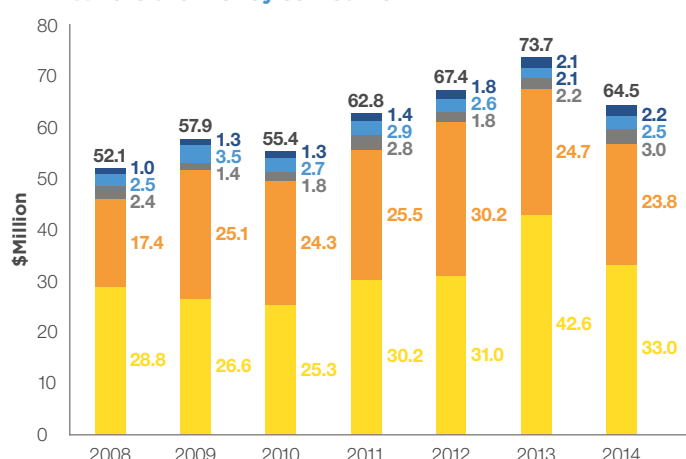
UBS Wealth Management continued as Cancer Council Victoria's Fund Manager in 2014.

Ms Maria Trinci
Chair, Finance, Risk, Audit
and Compliance Committee

Key financial results

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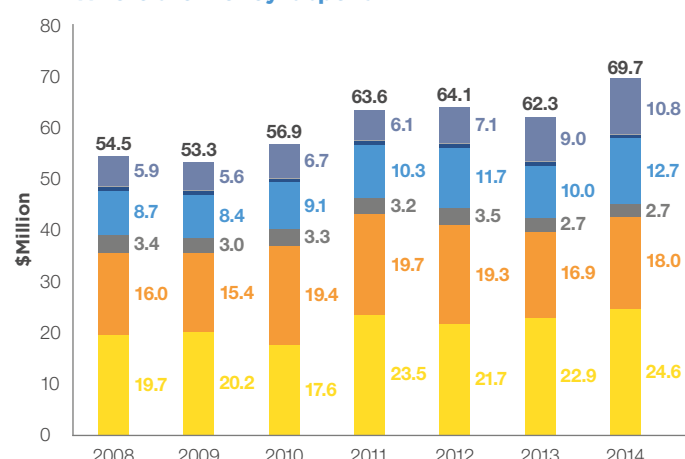
Where the money comes from



Key

- Retail services gross profit
- Royalties, fees for service and others
- Dividends, distribution and interest from financial assets
- External program funding
- Charitable support

Where the money is spent



Key

- Administrative support
- Royalties, fees for services and others
- Expenses on retail operations
- Charitable support
- Cancer support
- Cancer prevention
- Cancer research

Accountability

1. Who is Cancer Council Victoria accountable to?

Cancer Council Victoria is accountable for its performance to Parliament, regulators, stakeholders and the community.

2. How do we know Cancer Council Victoria is wisely spending its money?

Accountability mechanisms include annual reporting to Parliament, program and grant reporting to funding agencies, surveys and evaluations with stakeholder groups, a policy framework and adherence to legislation including the Cancer Act, best practice and industry guidelines.

3. How does Cancer Council Victoria decide where to spend the money it gets?

Each year the Executive Committee and Cancer Council Victoria management agree on a complete financial plan. Monthly performance against this plan for income and expenditure is reported to the Finance, Risk, Audit & Compliance Committee.

4. Where can I find a full set of the accounts?

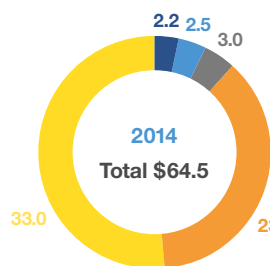
Cancer Council Victoria publishes its statutory accounts on its website at www.cancervic.org.au. The accounts are tabled in parliament and can also be sourced from its library.

5. What are Cancer Council Victoria's accounting practices?

The financial statements for Cancer Council Victoria are prepared under the Australian equivalent to International Reporting Standards and the accounting policy statements are published in the notes to the financial statements, which are available on our website.

6. Who audits the financial statements of the organisation?

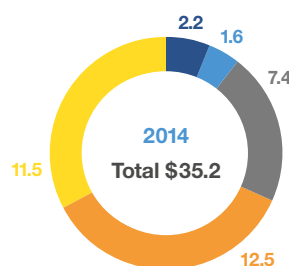
Each year the financial statements are audited by the Victorian Auditor General's Office. These statements, accompanied by the Auditor-General's Report, are included in the Annual Report to Parliament.



Cancer Council Victoria income

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- External program funding
- Charitable support

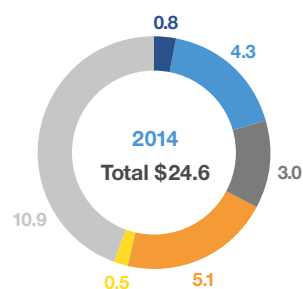
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Where we earned our charitable income

- Retail services
- Community fundraising
- Donations
- Bequests
- Events

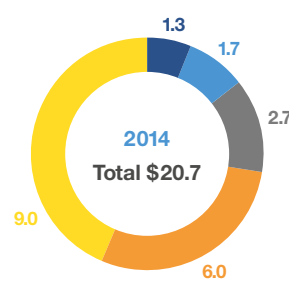
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Expenditure on research

- VicHealth Centre for Tobacco Control
- Behavioural Science Division
- Victorian Cancer Registry
- Cancer Epidemiology and Intelligence Division
- ABC Cohort
- Basic and clinical research

\$ Million



Expenditure in education, prevention and support

- Papscreen Victoria
- SunSmart
- Cancer Information and Support Service
- Cancer Prevention Centre
- Quit

\$ Million

Key financial results 2008–2014

\$M	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Income from transactions	52.1	57.9	55.4	62.8	67.4	73.7	64.5
Expenses from transactions	(54.4)	(53.3)	(56.9)	(63.6)	(64.1)	(62.3)	(69.7)
Other economic flows	(9.2)	5.3	0.2	(4.3)	2.7	12.5	1.3
Net result from continuing operations	(11.5)	9.9	(1.3)	(5.1)	6.0	23.9	(3.9)
Total Assets	46.0	60.1	58.7	57.2	62.2	92.2	88.5
Net Assets	29.7	42.5	41.2	36.1	42.1	66.0	62.1
Accumulated Surplus	7.2	16.7	13.2	9.4	9.2	14.5	17.0
Reserves	22.5	25.8	28.0	26.7	32.9	51.5	45.1
Total Equity	29.7	42.5	41.2	36.1	42.1	66.0	62.1
Cash Flow (\$ movement)	(4.4)	2.4	2.2	(0.2)	3.0	2.7	(5.5)

The above are based on the reports prepared on the 17th of February, 2015

Please note: Cancer Council Victoria is exempt from income tax and is endorsed as a deductible gift recipient under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

Appeals Committee report

The success of our fundraising programs depends on the generosity and goodwill of many thousands of Victorians. It is their ongoing support that makes it possible for us to continue our vital work in reducing the impact of cancer on all Victorians.



The total gross charitable income and retail gross profit for 2014 was \$35.2 million. Of this result, \$33.0 million was charitable income and retail gross profit was \$2.2 million.

Overall this was a shortfall on planned budget of \$1.5 million or 4%.

Events

The Events portfolio, including Community Fundraising, generated \$8.0 million in 2014, a decrease from \$8.1 million.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea raised \$2.6 million in comparison to the \$2.8 million raised in 2013 due to a drop in new supporter numbers. This trend was reflected nationally.

Community Fundraising raised \$1.6 million, up from \$1.5 million in 2013.

Relay For Life

Relay For Life income was \$6.1 million – a decrease of 7% from 2013. The dollar raised per participant was \$136 in 2014, down from \$141 in 2013.

Donor Programs

The cash appeals program generated \$2.4 million in 2014.

Income from Regular Givers was \$1.3 million, 72% higher than 2013 due to the introduction of the Face-to-Face donor acquisition program.

Bequests income reached \$11.5 million 2014.

There were outstanding results in Major Gifts and Trusts, raising \$1.3 million and \$1.0 million respectively.

Retail Services

The total trading income for Retail Services was \$2.5 million, consisting of \$2.1 million from Online/Mail order and \$0.4 million from the St Kilda Road shop.

For online/mail order there was a growth of 8% on gross profit compared to 2013.

Future of Appeals Committee

With the sad passing of former Appeals Committee Chair Bruce Ward, the Executive Committee took on the responsibility of the committee for much of 2014.

The Appeals Committee will be disbanded in 2015 and fundraising will be reported directly to the Finance, Risk, Audit and Compliance Committee of the Board.

Professor Andrew Roberts
Chair, Executive Committee
(in the absence of the Appeals Committee chair)

Mr B Ward
(Chair, until February 2014)



was raised by Major Gifts and Trusts



Charitable income and retail gross profit for 2014 was
\$35.2 m

A GROWTH OF 8%



FOR RETAIL MAIL/
ONLINE ORDER

Medical and Scientific Committee report

Under the Cancer Act 1958, the Medical and Scientific Committee is responsible for advising the Executive Committee on the nature, scope and method of research.



The great value and prestige of Cancer Council grants has been a perennial feature of the cancer research landscape for many decades, but never more so than in 2014, when the success rates for funding by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) and other national funding agencies fell to a historically low ebb.

The success rate for NHMRC project grants fell to around 16%, meaning that many grants that would otherwise have been highly competitive missed out on funding.

Cancer Council's ongoing support means that highly talented Victorian cancer researchers have been able to continue their superb work, and more young researchers have been encouraged into research on various aspects of cancer control.

Medical and Scientific Committee members are appointed by leading Victorian hospitals, universities, medical research institutes and medical specialist colleges. A full list of 2014 members can be found on the following pages.

We also introduced the Venture Grants Scientific Committee to assist in evaluating the 89 applications received, developing a short list, and eventually choosing the four successful projects detailed on page 9.

In 2014, the committee's Standing Subcommittee on Research reviewed the progress of 36 research projects that were already receiving funding. These projects have already generated 35 scientific publications and 51 oral presentations, with 19 presented internationally. All of the projects were considered to be progressing satisfactorily.

Vacation studentships

Undergraduates at any Victorian university can apply to enrol in a six-week laboratory-based summer studentship conducted at a university, hospital or independent medical research institution. There were 13 studentships awarded in 2014.

Postdoctoral research fellowships

Researchers who have just completed their PhD can apply for a postdoctoral research fellowship, a scheme that is unique to Cancer Council. The scheme aims to permit PhD research projects to come to their full potential with the assistance of a further 12 months' salary support allowing an extension of fruitful projects and submission of final manuscripts. Six emerging researchers were supported in 2014.

Grants-in-Aid

An extra \$200,000 was allocated to the funding scheme this year, which is the mainstay of extramural Cancer Council grant support for Victorian cancer researchers. A total of \$3.4 million was allocated to cater for the high number of excellent cancer grants that failed to be funded by NHMRC and the overall quality of projects which was extraordinary.

Grants-in-Aid support projects for one to three years, with a maximum budget of \$100,000 p/a. There were 13 grants awarded in 2014, with details on page 37.

Grants may be awarded for studies into any type of cancer, but most projects focus on the causes and prevention of cancer, or on clinical research into new ways to detect and treat cancer.

Venture Grants Scheme

We were proud to select four research projects as part of our unique Venture Grants Scheme, which aims to support research ideas that would not be funded under conventional schemes. After a competitive peer-review process, four very exciting projects were recommended to the Executive for funding, for between three and five years. The scheme is wholly donor funded, with \$1 million raised so far. In honour of one of Victoria's leading cancer researchers Professor Donald Metcalf, who was Cancer Council's Garden Fellow for 60 years, the researchers will be known as Metcalf Venture Grant Recipients.

Colebatch Fellowship

The Colebatch Clinical Research Fellowship was awarded to Associate Professor Sherene Loi who will use the prestigious \$1.5 million fellowship to greatly enhance her world-leading work into targeted treatments for breast cancer. The fellowship was made possible through the generous bequest of the Reg Geary Estate. It's the second cancer research fellowship named in memory of Dr John Colebatch AO.

Tracking progress

All researchers report their scientific progress annually in writing, including details of publications and patent applications arising from Cancer Council funded grants. A lay report is also developed to help Cancer Council communicate its research to our donors and the general public.

We couldn't possibly support this number of researchers and important studies into the detection and treatment of cancer without the wonderful support of our fundraisers and volunteers.

Professor Joseph A Trapani
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The Council is our peak governing body. The Cancer Act, which established Cancer Council Victoria in 1936, determines the composition of Council with provision for a membership of 52. It meets annually.

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The Medical and Scientific Committee provides
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The research we fund

From cervical and brain to stomach and leukaemia, we fund research into all cancers for all Victorians. The following pages list research projects conducted in 2014, funded either by Cancer Council Victoria or by external funding bodies.

Researchers may be working in several cancer areas, so some entries may appear more than once. In the case of some larger grants, discrete projects within that grant are listed separately. The Cancer Information and Support Service (CISS) does not fund any research but remains actively involved in and committed to a range of research in supportive care.

The following abbreviations relate to programs or units run by Cancer Council Victoria:

- BSD** Behavioural Science Division
- CEC** Cancer Epidemiology Centre
- CISS** Cancer Information & Support Service
- CPC** Cancer Prevention Centre
- CTO** Clinical Trials Office
- CN** Clinical Network
- VCR** Victorian Cancer Registry
- VCTC** VicHealth Centre for Tobacco Control

All cancer

Are direct apoptosis inducers less mutagenic than chemotherapy drugs?

Dr Christine Hawkins, A/Prof David Curtis, Dr Elizabeth Algar (Department of Biochemistry, La Trobe University)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Cancer Trials Management Scheme – collection of clinical trial recruitment data and the funding of clinical trial coordinators

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Determining the mechanism of cell suicide pathway

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Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

How deregulation of cell shape regulators leads to cancer

A/Prof Helena Richardson, Dr Alexey Veraksa (The Sir Peter MacCallum Department of Oncology, The University of Melbourne)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grants 2013–2015

How does anti-cancer therapy cure tumour cells?

Prof Andreas Strasser, Dr John Silke (Molecular Genetics of Cancer Division, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Identifying new pathways driving cell growth which is fundamental to cancer initiation and progression

Dr Leonie Quinn, Dr David Levens (Anatomy and Cell Biology, The University of Melbourne)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Inflammation and cancer

Dr Jeffrey Babon, Dr Nadia Kershaw (Cancer and Haematology, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Pilot clinical audit: pathophysiology of malignant ascites and the efficacy and complications of paracentesis (VCOG PM 2-06): currently recruiting

Dr Tamsin Bryan, Dr Kate Jackson, Deborah Howell (CTO), VCOG Palliative Medicine Committee **Collaborators:** Austin Health, Barwon Health, Bethlehem Hospital, Caritas Christi Hospice, Gandarra Palliative Care Unit Ballarat, Melbourne Health, Mercy Hospital Werribee, Northern Health, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Southern Health McCulloch House, St Vincent's Health, Wantirna Health Palliative Care, Western Health

PROSPECT program (Patient Responses: an Ongoing Survey of People Experiencing Cancer Treatment)

A/Prof Victoria White, Prof Melanie Wakefield, Prof Graham Giles, Prof David Hill, Helen Farrugia (BSD, CEC, VCR) **Collaborator:** Dr Mariko Carey

The Forgotten Cancers Project

A/Prof Gianluca Severi, Prof Graham Giles, Dr Fiona Bruinsma

Various trusts, funded through Community Relations and Fundraising

The molecular basis of cancer development and drug resistance

Dr Walter Fairlie, Dr Erinna Lee, Dr Daniel Gray (Structural Biology, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Treating cancer by arresting cancer cell growth

A/Prof Richard Pearson, Dr Katherine Hannan (Sir Peter MacCallum Department of Oncology, The University of Melbourne)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Upstream signalling in the Hippo tumour suppressor pathway

A/Prof Kieran Harvey (Cancer Research, The University of Melbourne)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Victorian Cancer Patient Experience Survey

A/Prof Victoria White
Department of Health Victoria

Victorian Cancer Registry

Helen Farrugia
Department of Health

Victorian Cancer Registry cancer record linkages

Helen Farrugia (VCR)

Victorian Cancer Registry data services support the following recruitment of cases for the following studies:

Helen Farrugia (VCR)

- **People with blood cancers and their support persons: a National survey of psychosocial needs**
Prof Sanson Fisher, University of Newcastle
- **International cancer Benchmarking Partnership Module 4: root cause of diagnosis and treatment delays**
Department of Health, CCV
- **The Australian Mesothelioma Register**
Cancer Institute NSW
- **The lymphoma, lifestyle environment and family Study (LEAF)**
University of NSW

Victorian Cancer Registry Facts: Survivors. May 2014.

Helen Farrugia (VCR), Vicky Thursfield (VCR)

Victorian Family Cancer Genetics Service Central Family Cancer Register
Helen Farrugia, Toulia McArdle (VCR)
Department of Health

Vitamin D and risk of cancer and mortality in the Melbourne Collaborative Cohort Study

Prof Dallas English, Dr Darryl Eyles, Dr Laura Baglietto

National Health & Medical Research Council (623208) 2010–2013

Bladder cancer

Methylation and the risk of urothelial cell cancer

Graham Giles (CEC), Maree Brinkman, Damian Bolton, Daniel Schmidt, Ee Ming Wong (University of Melbourne)

National Health & Medical Research Council Project Grant (1043616) 2013–2014

Bone cancer

Gaining a better understanding of bone cancer

Dr Carl Walkley, Dr Emma Baker, Dr Mark Robinson (Stem Cell Regulation Unit, St Vincent's Institute of Medical Research)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Sarcoma Management Survey

Prof Graham Giles (CEC), Vicky Thursfield (VCR). A collaboration between CEC and CN Sarcoma Advisory Committee

Bowel cancer

Bowel Cancer Screening Television Campaign

Kate Scalzo, Robyn Mullins (BSD)
Cancer Council Australia

Collaborative Family Registry for colorectal cancer studies

Prof John Hopper **Collaborator:** Prof Graham Giles (CEC) CCV Clinical Network
US National Institutes of Health

Discovery of new colon cancer genes predictive for outcome

Dr Oliver Sieber, Prof Robyn Ward (Systems Biology and Personalised Medicine, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

DNA methylation as a risk factor for colorectal cancer.

Prof Dallas English (CEC), Prof Joanne Young, Dr Daniel Buchanan, Dr Laura Baglietto, Daneil Schmidt, Enes Makalic, Elisabeth Williamson.

National Health & Medical Research Council

Effects of increased colonic butyrate on inherited colon cancer

Prof Finlay Macrae (Colorectal Medicine and Genetics, Melbourne Health), A/Prof Alex Boussioutas, Dr Julie Clarke, Dr David Topping, Dr Shusuke Toden, Prof Patrick Lynch, Prof Allan Spigelman, Dr Mark Appleyard, Dr Paul Hollington, Dr Hooi Ee, Prof Don Cameron
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2011–2014

Familial CIN colorectal cancer

A/Prof Ian Campbell, Dr Alison Trainer, A/Prof Lara Lipton, A/Prof Paul James, Dr Maria Doyle (Research Division, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Identifying factors influencing treatment decisions

Rebecca Bergin, A/Prof Victoria White, Ruth Bollard, John Emery
Department of Health Victoria

Inhibiting the growth factor proGRP to treat gastrointestinal cancers

Prof Arthur Shulkes, Prof Graham Baldwin (Department of Surgery – The University of Melbourne, Austin Health)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2014

International Cancer Benchmarking Project (Module 4): Root causes of diagnosis and treatment delays

A/Prof Victoria White, Ashley Farrelly (BSD), Nicola Quin (CCV)
Department of Health Victoria

siRNA Therapies for Colorectal Cancer

Prof Andrew Scott, Dr Vinochani Pillay, A/Prof John Mariadason, A/Prof Niall Tebbutt (Tumour Targeting Program, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Brain cancer

Glioma Management Survey

Prof Graham Giles (CEC), Vicky Thursfield (VCR) A collaboration between CEC and CN Neuro-Oncology Committee

Glioma Scan Project

National Cancer Institute cohort consortium, Preetha Rojaraman (NCI) A/Prof Gianluca Severi, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

US National Institutes of Health, NCI

Identifying new pathways driving cell growth which is fundamental to cancer initiation and progression

Dr Leonie Quinn, Dr David Levens (Anatomy and Cell Biology, The University of Melbourne)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

INTERPHONE – Brain tumour risk in relation to mobile telephone use

Prof E Cardis (IARC), Prof Graham Giles (CEC), International Collaborators.

Risk and prognostic factors for glioma in Australia.

A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC), Dr Claire Vajdic, Dr A Nowak, Dr M Rosenthal, Dr K Drummond, Dr D Walker, Dr R Jefree.

Cancer Australia 2012–2015

Breast cancer

Advancing personalised medicine for breast cancer patients

A/Prof Sherene Loi (Department of Medical Oncology and Haematology, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre)

Cancer Council Victoria Colebatch Fellowship 2014–2018

Automated Screening Measures Associated with Risk and Treatment (SMART) for Breast Cancer

LinH Nguyen, Dr Carmel Apicella, Dr Enes Makalic, Dr Daniel Schmidt
Collaborator: Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

Breast Cancer Association Consortium (BCAC)

Prof Douglas Easton (University of Cambridge, UK), Prof Paul Pharoah, Prof Graham Giles (CEC), Dr Laura Baglietto (CEC), A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC), Prof John Hopper (University of Melbourne), Prof Melissa Southey (University of Melbourne)

Building immunity to cancer with radio-immunotherapy combinations

Dr Nicole Haynes (The Sir Peter MacCallum Department of Oncology, The University of Melbourne)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Cancer specific nanoparticles for improved chemotherapy

Dr Suzanne Cutts, A/Prof Paul Pigram, Prof Geoff Pietersz, Dr Carleen Cullinane (Department of Biochemistry, La Trobe University)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015 – Girls' Night In

Collaborative Family Registry for Breast Cancer studies

Prof John Hopper **Collaborators:** Prof Graham Giles (CEC), Dr Margaret McCredie **US National Cancer Institute**

Collaborative Oncological Gene-environment Study

Prof Graham Giles (CEC), Prof Judith Clements (Queensland University of Technology), Prof Dallas English, Dr Vanessa Hayes (Children's Cancer Institute Australia) **National Health & Medical Research Council – EU (504715) 2009–2013**

Collaborative phase II trial of neo-adjuvant doxorubicin and docetaxel in patients with locally advanced breast cancer (VCOG BR 1-99)

Dr Mitchell Chipman, Helen Farrugia (CTO), Follow-up of 215 patients continued in 2013. **Collaborators:** The Alfred, Monash Medical Centre, Royal Melbourne Hospital, St Vincent's Hospital, Western Hospital

Discovering human breast cancer risk genes guided by prior publications on the mouse

Dr Daniel Park, Prof David Goldgar, Dr Bernard Pope, Dr Tu Nguyen-Dumont, A/Prof Andrew Lonie (Pathology, The University of Melbourne)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant – Girls' Night In 2014–2015

Exploring the potential of the combination of old and new radioprotecting drugs to reduce normal tissue damage in cancer radiotherapy patients

Dr Pavel Lobachevsky, Prof Roger Martin, Dr Olga Martin (Trescowthick Research Laboratories, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre) **Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014**

How does tissue disorganization promote breast cancer?

Dr Patrick Humbert (Research Division, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre) **Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014**

Mammographic density of young women and their relatives

Prof John Hopper, Dr Jennifer Stone, Dr Carmel Apicella, Dr Enes Makalic, Dr Daniel Schmidt, Dr Rob MacInnis (The Centre for MEGA Epidemiology, The University of Melbourne)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014 – Girls' Night In

Methylation as a risk and prognostic factor for breast cancer

Dr Laura Baglietto (CEC), Prof Melissa Southey, Prof Dallas English

National Health & Medical Research Council (1011618) 2011–2013

PROSPECT (Post-operative Radiotherapy Omission in Selected Patients with Early breast Cancer Trial)

Prof Bruce Mann, Dr Anita Skandarajah, Dr Allison Rose, Dr Boon Chua, Prof John Forbes (The Breast Service, Melbourne Health)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2011–2014

Prospective, randomised, open label, parallel group trial to determine whether (neo)adjuvant treatment with zoledronic acid is superior to (neo)adjuvant treatment alone in improving disease free and bone metastasis free survival of patients with stage II/III breast cancer (VCOG BR 2-03): the 252 patients are now in follow-up phase

A/Prof Richard Bell, Jennifer Petersen (CTO), VCOG Breast Trials Sub-Committee **Collaborators:** The Alfred, Austin Health, Ballarat Oncology and Haematology Services, Barwon Health, Border Medical Oncology, Box Hill Hospital, Freemasons Hospital, Maroondah Hospital, Mercy Private Hospital, Monash Medical Centre, Peninsula Health, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Royal Melbourne Hospital, St John of God Geelong, St Vincent's Health, Western Hospital and 16 additional hospitals throughout Australia **Novartis Pharma Australia**

Risk factors for breast cancer

Dr Laura Baglietto, Prof Dallas English, Prof Graham Giles, Dr Allison Hodge, Dr Robert MacInnis, Dr Julie Simpson (CEC)

Collaborators: Prof John Hopper, Dr Dorota Gertig

Val Secomb Fellowship

Risk of recurrence after diagnosis of invasive breast cancer by molecular subtype as defined by ER, PR and HER2 status

Dr Laura Baglietto, Prof Dallas English (CEC) **National Health & Medical Research Council (1029903) 2012–2014**

Testing the effectiveness of a web-based program involving quality of life and reducing anxiety for younger women with breast cancer: a randomised controlled trial

A/Prof Victoria White, Ashley Farrelly (BSD), Prof David Hill, Dr Amanda Hordern (CISS), Prof Ron Borland **Collaborators:** Dr Mariko Carey, A/Prof Michael Jefford, Caroline Nehill, Meron Pitcher, Prof Robert Sanson-Fisher

National Breast Cancer Foundation, Beyond Blue, Cancer Australia 2009–ongoing

Turning the immune system against cancer

A/Prof Michael Kershaw, A/Prof Phil Darcy (Cancer Research, The University of Melbourne)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Gynaecological cancer

Evaluation of the PapScreen Communication and Recruitment program

Robyn Mullins, Kate Scalzo (BSD)

PapScreen Victoria

Exploring the potential of the combination of old and new radioprotecting drugs to reduce normal tissue damage in cancer radiotherapy patients

Dr Pavel Lobachevsky, Prof Roger Martin, Dr Olga Martin (Trescowthick Research Laboratories, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Improvement of ovarian cancer models to support preclinical development of new therapies for ovarian cancer

A/Prof Clare Scott (Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Dunlop Fellowship 2012–2016

PI3K inhibitors for the treatment of ovarian cancer

Dr Kathryn Kinross (The Sir Peter MacCallum Department of Oncology, The University of Melbourne)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Ovarian Cancer Association Consortium (OCAC)

Prof Andy Berchuck (Duke University Medical Centre, USA), Dr Paul Pharoah (University of Cambridge), Australia – Prof Graham G Giles (CEC), Dr Laura Baglietto (CEC), A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC), Melissa Southey (University of Melbourne)

Kidney cancer

A platform to study early-onset and familial kidney cancer: CONFIRM (the CONsortium For Inherited Renal Malignancies)

A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC) **Collaborators:** Dr Mark Jenkins, Prof Melissa Southey, Dr Rob Carroll, Dr Michael Bogwitz, Prof David Goldgar, A/Prof Ian Davies, A/Prof Michael Jefford, Dr Nick Pachter, Dr James Kearsley, Dr Tracy Dudding, Dr Kathy Tucker

CARES (Collaborative Australian Renal Cell Carcinoma Epidemiology Study)

A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC), Dr Mark Jenkins, A/Prof Damien Bolton, Dr S Jordon, Prof Ingrid Winship

National Health & Medical Research Council (1011626) 2011–2015

Leukaemia and lymphoma

A population-based family study of follicular lymphoma

Dr Claire Vajdic, Prof Graham Giles, Dr John Seymour, Dr S Miliken, Dr Geza Benke, Prof Wendy Cozen

National Health & Medical Research Council (1006707) 2011–2015

Cell death and leukaemia

Dr Stephan Glaser (Cancer and Haematology Division, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Control of leukaemic blood cells

Prof Emeritus Don Metcalf (Division of Cancer and Haematology, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Carden Fellowship 1954–2014

Developing a new class of anti-cancer drugs

Prof Andrew Roberts, Prof David Huang (Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Epigenetic-based therapies for AML

Prof Ricky Johnstone (Research Division, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Identifying similarity between genes that cause T cell leukaemia

Dr Matthew McCormack, Dr Wei Shi (Cancer and Haematology Division, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Inflammation and cancer

Dr Jeffrey Babon, Dr Nadia Kershaw (Cancer and Haematology, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Investigation into tumour recognition by Natural Killer T cells

Prof Jamie Rossjohn, Prof Dale Godfrey (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Monash University)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Liver cancer

Determining the role of the gene ZBTB11 in causing liver cancer

Prof Graham Lieschke, Dr Cristina Keightley, Prof Zhiyuan Gong (Australian Regenerative Medicine Institute (ARMI), Monash University)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Identifying new pathways driving cell growth which is fundamental to cancer initiation and progression

Dr Leonie Quinn, Dr David Levens (Anatomy and Cell Biology, The University of Melbourne)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Lung cancer

A large international epidemiological study to identify novel molecular markers of lung cancer risk and survival

A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC), Dr M Johnansson (IARC, France).

National Health & Medical Research Council (1050198) 2013–2015

Defining the role of RBM5 gene in lung cancer

Dr Duangporn Jamsai, Prof Moira O'Bryan (Anatomy and Developmental Biology, Monash University)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016

Exploring the potential of the combination of old and new radio-protecting drugs to reduce normal tissue damage in cancer radiotherapy patients

Dr Pavel Lobachevsky, Prof Roger Martin, Dr Olga Martin (Trescowthick Research Laboratories, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Patients with lung cancer and their carers: providing support through novel information models

A/Prof Michael Jefford, Tina Thomas, Amanda Spillare (CISS), Linda Mileschkin (Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre)

Cancer Australia

Thinking outside the box: a new mechanism for lung cancer predisposition

A/Prof Alexander Dobrovic, Dr Thomas Mikeska (Pathology, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Validation of a lung cancer risk prediction model

Dr D Muller, Dr M Johansson (IARC, France)

Melanoma

Building immunity to cancer with radio-immunotherapy combinations

Dr Nicole Haynes (The Sir Peter MacCallum Department of Oncology, The University of Melbourne)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Developing a new class of anti-cancer drugs

Prof Andrew Roberts, Prof David Huang (Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Mesothelioma

A collaboration to drive clinically meaningful research into mesothelioma

Dr Thomas John, A/Prof Paul Mitchell, Dr Vinod Ganju, Prof Jonathan Cebon, Mr Simon Knight (Medical Oncology, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research / Olivia Newton-John Cancer and Wellness Centre)

Cancer Council Victoria Mesothelioma Grant 2014–2015

Multiple myeloma

Investigation into tumour recognition by Natural Killer T cells

Prof Jamie Rossjohn, Prof Dale Godfrey (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Monash University)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2013–2015

Multiple Myeloma Cohort Consortium

Prof Graham Colditz, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

The epidemiology of multiple myeloma in Australia

Prof Graham Giles (CEC), Dr Claire Vajdic, (UNSW), Dr D Joshua, Dr L Campbell, A/Prof Miles Prince, A/Prof S Harrison

National Health & Medical Research Council (1029885) 2012–2016

Nutrition and exercise

ACT LiveLighter Campaign Evaluation

Philippa Niven, Dr Belinda Morley, Dr Helen Dixon, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), Jane Martin (CPC)

The ACT Division of the National Heart Foundation of Australia 2014–2015

Development and evaluation of tools for dietary epidemiology

Prof Graham Giles (CEC), Dr Allison Hodge

Diet and Nutrition Assessment Program

Prof Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English (CEC), Dr Allison Hodge

Food marketing with movie character toys: effects on young children's preferences for healthy and unhealthy fast food meals

Dr Helen Dixon, Maree Scully, Philippa Niven (BSD) 2014–2015

Lifestyle media message testing:

Finding the keys to successful public health campaigns promoting healthy weight and lifestyle.

Dr Helen Dixon, Dr Sarah Durkin (BSD), Trish Cotter (Cancer Institute NSW), Blyth O'Hara (NSW Department of Health), Prof Melanie Wakefield, Dr Emily Brennan (University of Pennsylvania), Chris Rissell (University of Sydney)
Australian National Preventative Health Agency 2012–2014

National Secondary Diet and Activity Survey

Dr Belinda Morley, Maree Scully, Philippa Niven, Dr Helen Dixon, Prof Melanie Wakefield, A/Prof Victoria White (BSD) **Collaborators:** Technical Advisory Group national members, chaired by Prof Louise Baur
Cancer Council Australia, National Heart Foundation of Australia, All State Governments

Sugary Drinks Tax Messaging

Dr Belinda Morley (BSD), Jane Martin (CPC), Philippa Niven (BSD)
Obesity Policy Coalition

The independent and combined effects of front-of-pack food labelling systems and health claims on consumers' food-related beliefs and behaviours

Prof Simone Pettigrew (Curtin University of Technology), Dr Bridget Kelly, Prof Kylie Ball, Prof Bruce Neal, Dr Caroline Miller, Clare Hughes, Dr Helen Dixon (BSD), A/Prof Trevor Shilton.

ARC Linkage Grant 2014–2016

Victorian LiveLighter Campaign Evaluation

Dr Belinda Morley, Dr Helen Dixon, Prof Melanie Wakefield, Philippa Niven (BSD), Jane Martin (CPC)
Vic Department of Health

WA LiveLighter Campaign Evaluation

Dr Belinda Morley, Dr Helen Dixon, Prof Melanie Wakefield, Philippa Niven, (BSD), Jane Martin (CPC)
Heart Foundation Western Australia

Pancreatic cancer

Dietary factors and risk of pancreatic cancer in the Pooling Project

Prof Jeanine Genkinger (Georgetown University, School of Medicine, Washington US)
Collaborators: Prof Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English, A/Prof Gianluca Severi

Patient support

A nurse-led psychosocial intervention with peer support to reduce psychosocial needs in women with gynaecological cancer

Dr Penny Schofield, Prof Sanchia Aranda,

I Juraskova, Linda Mileshekin, M Krishansamy, L Webb, A Hocking, D Bernshaw, Doreen Akkerman (CISS), S Penberthy, R Bergin, Suzi Grogan, K Sharkey

Cancer Chat: evaluation of a facilitated online and telephone support group

Prof Annette Street (La Trobe University), Dr Amanda Hordern (CISS)

IMPROVE (Improving Management by Participatory Research in Oncology: a Victorian Experiment)

Prof Graham Giles (CEC), A/Prof Victoria White (BSD), Prof Michael Coory, A/Prof Jeremy Millar, A/Prof Damien Bolton, A/Prof Ian Davis, A/Prof Ingrid Winship, Dr Ian Roos, Prof Melissa Southey, A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC), Prof Michael Prince, Prof Simon Harrison, A/Prof Michael Jefford, Prof David Hill, Victorian Cancer Agency

Integration of Cancer Council Support Services into usual care – A pilot study

David Marco (BSD), Dr Anna Boltong (CISS), A/Prof Victoria White (BSD)
2014–2016

Multiple perspectives on sexuality and intimacy post-cancer, leading to the development and evaluation of supportive interventions

Dr Amanda Hordern (CISS) for ARC grant led by Prof Jane Usher

Cancer Australia Collaborative Cancer Support Networks project leader for Cancer Council Victoria

Patients with lung cancer and their carers: providing support through novel information models

A/Prof Michael Jefford, Tina Thomas, Amanda Spillare (CISS), Linda Mileshekin (Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute)
Cancer Australia

Patterns of care and experiences of care for adolescents and young adults with cancer

Prof Michael Coory, A/Prof Victoria White (BSD), Dr A Anazodo, Dr R Pinkerton, Dr K Thompson, Dr W Nicholls, Helen Bibby (BSD)
National Health & Medical Research Council 2011–2015

Peer support program for cancer gene mutation carriers

A/Prof Victoria White, Ashley Farrelly (BSD)
Collaborators: Mary-Anne Young, A/Prof Michael Jefford (CISS), Dr Bettina Meiser, Prof Ingrid Winship, Dr Katherine Tucker (NBCF)
National Breast Cancer Foundation 2008–2014

Psychological morbidity, unmet needs, quality of life and patterns of care in migrant cancer patients: the first year
A/Prof Michael Jefford (CISS), P Butow
Cancer Australia

Testing the effectiveness of a web-based program involving quality of life and reducing anxiety for younger women with breast cancer: a randomised controlled trial

A/Prof Victoria White (BSD), Ashley Farrelly (BSD), Prof David Hill, Dr Amanda Hordern (CISS), Prof Ron Borland (VCTC)
Collaborators: Dr Mariko Carey, A/Prof Michael Jefford, Caroline Nehill, Meron Pitcher, Prof Robert Sanson-Fisher
National Breast Cancer Foundation, Beyond Blue, Cancer Australia 2009–ongoing

VCCCP CAM module and clinical guidelines

A/Prof Michael Jefford, Dr Penny Schofield, Sue Hegarty (CISS)

Prostate cancer

A case-control study of risk factors for aggressive prostate cancer

Prof Graham Giles, A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC), A/Prof Damien Bolton, A/Prof Jeremy Millar, Prof Malcolm Sim, Dr Geza Benke
National Health & Medical Research Council (623204) 2010–2014

A whole genome association study to identify common susceptibility alleles for prostate cancer

A/Prof Ros Eeles, Prof Doug Easton (Cambridge UK) **Collaborators:** Prof Graham Giles, Prof John Hopper, A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC)
Cancer Research UK

ACTANE (Anglo-Canadian-Texan Australian-Norwegian-EU biomedical) Consortium: Search for high/moderate risk prostate cancer predisposition genes in the Cancer Research UK/ British Prostate Group Familial Prostate Cancer Study, and ACTANE

Prof Graham Giles (CEC) **Collaborators:** A/Prof Ros Eeles, Prof John Hopper, et al.
US National Institutes of Health

Exploring the potential of the combination of old and new radioprotecting drugs to reduce normal tissue damage in cancer radiotherapy patients

Dr Pavel Lobachevsky, Prof Roger Martin, Dr Olga Martin (Trescowthick Research Laboratories, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre)
Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Identifying biomarkers associated with clinically significant and fatal prostate cancer through genome wide mRNA expression and methylation analyses.

Dr Liesel Fitzgerald (CEC).
Prostate Cancer Foundation Australia 2013–2014

International Consortium for Prostate Cancer Genetic

Prof Graham Giles (CEC) **Collaborators:** Prof William Isaacs, Prof John Hopper, Dr Liesel FitzGerald (CEC), et al.

US National Institutes of Health

Prospective, randomised, open label, parallel group trial to determine if earlier versus delayed intervention with androgen deprivation treatment improves survival in prostate cancer patients with biological relapse as indicated by a rising PSA (VCOG PR 2-03): currently recruiting participants

Prof Gillian Duchesne, Prof Henry Woo, Helen Farrugia (CTO)

We are following up 252 patients.

Collaborators: The Alfred, Barwon Health, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre and 27 other sites in Australia and New Zealand **Trans Tasman Radiation Oncology Group, Royal Australian College of Radiologists, National Health & Medical Research Council**

Prostate cancer Association group to Investigate Cancer Associated alterations in the genome (PRACTICAL)

Investigators: Prof Ros Eeles, Prof Zsofia Kote-Jarai, Prof Douglas Easton, Australia – Prof Graham G Giles (CEC), John Hopper (University of Melbourne), Dallas English (CEC), Gianluca Severi (CEC), Dr Liesel FitzGerald (CEC), Melissa Southey (University of Melbourne)

Prostate Cancer Family Study

Prof Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English (CEC)

Collaborators: Prof John Hopper, Prof Margaret McCredie
E J Whitten Foundation

Radical Prostatectomy Register

Prof Graham Giles

Victorian Early Onset Prostate Cancer Family Study

Prof Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English (CEC)

Collaborator: Prof John Hopper
E J Whitten Foundation

Sarcoma

Survey of the Clinical Management of Sarcoma in Victoria 2003–2007

Prof Graham Giles (CEC), Vicky Thursfield (VCR). A collaboration between CEC and CN Sarcoma Advisory Committee

Skin cancer and sun protection

National study of sun protection behaviours and related attitudes

Dr Suzanne Dobbins, Prof David Hill, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), Craig Sinclair (CPC), Angela Volkov (BSD). **Collaborators:** Interstate colleagues, Cancer Council Australia, Cancer Australia, state and territory Cancer Councils, Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing

Norms and the built environment: use of shade in US and Australian city parks

Prof David Buller, Dr Mary Buller, Dr Suzanne Dobbins (BSD), Prof Dallas English (CEC), Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), Dr Gary Cutter, Dr Ross Brownson, Prof Karen Emmons, Jody Simmons (BSD)

National Institutes of Health 2010–2015

ShadePlus: improving park facilities in disadvantaged neighbourhoods to promote Community Health Behaviour

Dr Suzanne Dobbins (BSD), De Jenny Veitch, Prof Jo Salmon, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), A/Prof Petra Staiger, Dr Robert MacInnis, Jody Simmons (BSD)

National Health & Medical Research Council Project Grant in partnership with Brimbank Council 2013–2016

Sun protection behaviours and related attitudes of Victorians

Dr Suzanne Dobbins, Prof Melanie Wakefield, Charles Warne (BSD), Prof David Hill

SunSmart Program evaluations

Kimberley Dunstone, Dr Suzanne Dobbins (BSD)

Smoking cessation and tobacco use

Corporate political activity of tobacco, alcohol and Gambling Companies in Australia

A/Prof Peter Miller, Prof Linda Hancock, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), A/Pro Kypros Kypri, Dr Charles Livingstone, Prof Michael Daube, Ms Caterina Giorgi, A/Prof Peter Adams, Dr Jim McCambridge

Australian Research Council Linkage Grant 2014–2017

E-cigarette advertising study

Dr Sarah Durkin, Prof Melanie Wakefield, Megan Bayly (BSD)

2014–2015

Effects of current and plain cigarette package design on smokers' cigarette evaluation

Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), Dr Dave Hammond, Prof Marvin Goldberg, Dr Sarah Durkin, Prof Simon Chapman, Gemma Skaczkowski

National Health & Medical Research Council Project Grant 2010–2015

Effects of smoking and quitting on quality of life

Prof Jeff Richardson (Monash University), Prof R Cummins (Deakin University), Prof Ron Borland (VCTC)

National Health & Medical Research Council Project Grant 2011–2014

Evaluating population-wide efforts to reduce tobacco use: continuation of the ITC Four Country cohort in Australia

Prof Ron Borland, Dr Hua Yong (VCTC), Dr Sarah Durkin (BSD)

National Health and Medical Research Council (1005922) 2011–2014

Helping smokers with a history of depression quit smoking safely

Dr Catherine Segan (University of Melbourne and VCTC), Prof Ron Borland (VCTC), Suzie Stillman, Ian Ferretter (Quit Victoria) **Beyond Blue**

Identifying levels and types of emotion that maximise effectiveness of anti-smoking ads, especially in low SES smokers

Dr Sarah Durkin, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), Dr Lois Biener (University of Massachusetts) **National Health & Medical Research Council (1016419) in partnership with VicHealth 2011–2015**

International Tobacco Control Policy Evaluation Study: China and Korea

Prof Geoffrey Fong (University of Waterloo), Dr Jiang Yuan (China CDC) **Collaborators:** Dr Hua Yong, Dr Lin Li, Prof Ron Borland (VCTC) **Chinese CDC, Canadian Institutes of Health Research. Based at University of Waterloo, Canada**

International Tobacco Control Policy Evaluation Study: Four Countries

Prof Ron Borland (VCTC), Dr K Michael Cummings (Roswell Park Cancer Institute), Prof Geoffrey Fong, Prof M Thompson (University of Waterloo), Prof Gerard Hastings (Stirling University and The Open University), Prof Ann McNeill (University of Nottingham) **Collaborators:** Dr Hua Yong, Dr David Young, Prof Melanie Wakefield (VCTC, BSD)

National Health & Medical Research Council, US National Institutes of Health, Canadian Institutes of Health Research

International Tobacco Control Policy Evaluation Study: Product Studies

Dr Richard O'Connor, Dr Michael Cummings (Roswell Park Cancer Institute), Dr David Hammond (University of Waterloo), Dr David Ashley (US Centers for Disease Control) **Collaborators:** Prof Ron Borland, Bill King (VCTC) **National Institutes of Health**

International Tobacco Control Policy Evaluation Study: South East Asia

Prof Ron Borland (VCTC), Prof Geoffrey Fong (University of Waterloo) **Collaborators:** Dr Omar Maizurah (Universiti Sains Malaysia), Dr Buppha Sirinasamee (Mahidol University), Prof Mary Thompson, Dr David Hammond (University of Waterloo), Dr Hua Yong (VCTC)

National Institutes of Health, Canadian Institutes of Health Research

Maximising the effectiveness of standardised packaging

Prof Ron Borland (VCTC), Fiona Sharkie **Quit Victoria, Cancer Council Australia**

Media influences on tobacco use

Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD)

National Health & Medical Research Council Principal Research Fellowship Award 2011–2015

MERMAID: Melbourne Tobacco Retail Monitoring Audit

Megan Bayly, Dr Michelle Scollo, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD)

Quit Victoria

National Tobacco Plain Packaging Tracking Survey of Smokers and Recent Quitters

Prof Melanie Wakefield, Dr Sarah Durkin (BSD), Dr Michelle Scollo, Dr Kerri Coomber, Meghan Zacher (BSD)

Commonwealth Department of Health & Ageing 2012–2015

Quit or substitute: the acceptability of smokeless alternatives to cigarettes for cessation of substitution

Dr Coral Gartner (University of Queensland), Prof Ron Borland (VCTC) **Collaborators:** Dr Chris Bullen, Dr Natalie Walker (University of Auckland, NZ)

Quit Research and Evaluation Studies

Linda Hayes, Dr Sarah Durkin, Emily Bain, Meghan Zacher, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD)

Quit Victoria

Reducing smoking in socioeconomically disadvantaged groups: a trial of a financial counselling intervention with NRT

R Mattick, K Martire, M Farrell (University of NSW), Ron Borland (VCTC), B Bonevski, C Doran (University of Newcastle), W Hall (University of Queensland)

NHMRC

Silent Salesman study: Monitoring personal tobacco pack display

Megan Bayly, Dr Emily Brennan, Meghan Zacher, Joanne Dono, Dr Caroline Miller, Dr Sarah Durkin, Dr Michelle Scollo, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD)

Cancer Council SA, South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute, and Quit Victoria 2011–2015

Social network sites for ambivalent socialisers: the case of smoking cessation

Dr Wally Smith, A/Prof Steve Howard, Dr Jon Pearce (University of Melbourne), Prof Ron Borland (VCTC)

Australian Research Council Linkage Grant with Quit Victoria

The effect of point-of-sale tobacco marketing on smoking cessation

Prof Mohammad Siahpush (University of Nebraska Medical Center), Dr K Michael Cumming, Dr Lorraine Reitzel, Dr Michael Dodd, A/Prof Ge Lin, Prof Leslie Carlson, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), Dr Andrew Hyland

National Institutes of Health 2013–2016

The effectiveness of tobacco control policies in high versus low income countries. Tobacco packaging and labelling policies: expanding the evidence on novel policies

Dr Dave Hammond, Prof Geoffrey Fong (University of Waterloo) **Collaborators:** Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), Prof Ron Borland (VCTC)

National Institutes of Health, via University of Waterloo 2009–2014

Tobacco, alcohol and illicit substance use among Australian secondary school students

A/Prof Victoria White, Tahlia Williams, Dr Denise Azar (BSD), Prof David Hill, Agatha Faulkner (BSD)

Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing

Tobacco, alcohol and illicit substance use among Australian secondary school students – Follow up study

A/Prof Victoria White, Tahlia Williams, Prof Melanie Wakefield, Agatha Faulkner (BSD) **Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing 2012–2015**

Tobacco, alcohol and illicit substance use among Victorian secondary school students

A/Prof Victoria White, Tahlia Williams (BSD), Prof David Hill, Agatha Faulkner (BSD) **Victorian Department of Health**

Victorian Population Surveys to measure impact of Quit campaign and trends in smoking behaviours

Linda Hayes, Dr Sarah Durkin, Emily Bain, Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD)

Quit Victoria

Young Adults Quit Smoking Project

David Buller (KleinBuendel, US) **Collaborators:** Prof Ron Borland (VCTC), Dr Gil Woodall (University of New Mexico), Dr Abigail Halperin (University of Washington), Dr Herb Severson (Oregon Research Institute)

US National Institutes of Health, NCI

Stomach and oesophageal cancer

Role of the TLR2 gene in stomach cancer

A/Prof Brendan Jenkins, Prof Patrick Tan MIMR-PHI Institute of Medical Research **Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2014–2016**

Targeting the PI3K/mTor pathway in inflammation-linked disease

Dr Michael Buchert, A/Prof Matthias Ernst (Colon Molecular and Cell Biology, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research)

Cancer Council Victoria Research Grant 2012–2014

Upper gastro intestinal tract genome wide association study

NCI cohort consortium, A/Prof Gianluca Severi, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

US National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute

Victorian Cancer Registry Facts: Survivors. May 2014.

Helen Farrugia (VCR), Vicky Thursfield (VCR)

Other

Research into diseases other than cancer sometimes results from our major epidemiological studies and is funded by or done in collaboration with other agencies.

Asia Pacific Cohort Studies Collaboration: cardiovascular disease in the Asia Pacific region

Prof Stephen MacMahon **Collaborators:** Dr Xian Zang, Prof Mark Woodward, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

Collaboration on obesity/overweight and cancer (to examine and quantify the relationship between MBI and various disease and mortality endpoints within the NCI-sponsored Cohort Consortium)

Prof Geoffrey Tobias (National Cancer Institute US) **Collaborators:** Prof Graham Giles, A/Prof Gianluca Severi, Dr Robert Macinnis (CEC)

Development and evaluation of business rules to support the national collection of Cancer Stage Data from existing registry data sources.

Helen Farrugia (VCR), Vicky Thursfield (VCR) **Cancer Australia 2014–2015**

Development and validation of appropriate methods for the prediction of risk of future cardiovascular events in the contemporary Australian population: analyses of the Melbourne Collaborative Cohort Study (MCCS), Australian Diabetes, Obesity and Lifestyle (AusDiab) and Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities (ARIC) studies

Lei Chen, Prof Andrew Tonkin, Prof Dallas English (CEC)

Dietary and genetic risk factors for age-related macular degeneration

Dr Robyn Guymer, L Robman, P Baird, A Islam, Dr Julie Simpson

Dietary calibration study

Dr Allison Hodge, Prof Dallas English, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

Dietary factors and risk of pancreatic cancer in the Pooling Project

Prof Jeanine Genkinger (Georgetown University, School of Medicine, Washington US) **Collaborators:** Prof Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English, A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC)

Dietary questionnaire for epidemiological studies – online questionnaire

Dr Allison Hodge, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

Do retinal vascular measures predict structural change at the knee? A longitudinal study

Prof Flavia Cicuttini (Monash University)

Collaborators: Prof Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English (CEC)

Effect of dietary calcium intake on bone and vascular events: a population-based longitudinal cohort

Prof Peter Ebeling (Melbourne University)

Collaborators: Prof Dallas English, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

Effect of physical activity in preventing osteoarthritis

Dr Flavia Cicuttini **Collaborators:** Prof

Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English (CEC)

Epidemiology of age-related macular degeneration in Health 2020

Dr Luba Robman **Collaborator:**

Dr Robyn Guymer

Epidemiology of hereditary haemochromatosis

Dr Dorota Gertig **Collaborators:** Prof Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English (CEC), Dr Allison Hodge, Prof John Hopper

Ethnicity, cardiovascular disease risk factors and cardiovascular disease mortality

Dr Kevin Rowley, Laima Brazionis, Prof Kerin O'Dea, Prof Andrew Tonkin, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

International Collaboration for a Life Course Approach to Reproductive Health and Chronic Disease (InterLACE)

Dr Mashra G (University of Queensland), Dr Fiona Bruinsma, Graham Giles, International Collaborators

InterLACE is funded by the Australian National Health and Medical Research Council (APP1027196).

Legume consumption and relationship to health outcomes

Grains & Legumes Nutrition Council,

Collaborators: Prof Graham Giles, Dr Allison Hodge (CEC)

Obesity, Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease Collaboration

Prof Rachel Huxley (University of Queensland)

Collaborators: International Collaborators, Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

Peripheral blood methylation: a potential biomarker for predicting disease risk

A/Prof Alexander Dobrovic (Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre), A/Prof John Seymour

Collaborators: Prof Graham Giles, A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC)

Tasmanian Longitudinal Health Study

A/Prof Shyamali Dharmage, Prof Haydn Walters, Prof Michael Abramson, Prof John Hopper, Dr Melanie Matheson, A/Prof Mark Jenkins **Collaborator:** Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

Tasmanian Older Adult Cohort (TASOAC)

Prof Graeme Jones, Dr Dawn Aitken, Prof Changhai Ding **Collaborators:** Prof Flavia Cicuttini (Monash University), Prof Graham Giles (CEC)

Supported by the National Health and Medical Research Council of Australia; Tasmanian Community Fund; Masonic Centenary Medical Research Foundation;

Royal Hobart Hospital Research Foundation; and Arthritis Foundation of Australia

Television advertising to promote NHMRC Guidelines for low risk alcohol consumption: experimental study

Prof Melanie Wakefield, Dr Sarah Durkin, Dr Emily Brennan, Dr Helen Dixon (BSD)

National Health and Medical Research Council 2014-2017

The relationship between trends in BMI and joint replacement in Australia

Dr Anita Wluka, Monash University, Dr Anna

Peters, Prof Flavia Cicuttini **Collaborators:** Prof Graham Giles, Prof Dallas English (CEC)

Welcome Trust Case Control Consortium

Prof Rosalind Eeles, Prof Doug Easton, Prof Graham Giles (CEC), A/Prof Gianluca Severi (CEC)

Cohort of Rheumatoid Arthritis and associations with other conditions (for example prostate cancer)

What is the influence of alcohol density, price and promotion on trends in adolescents' drinking behaviours?

A/Prof Vicki White (BSD), Tanya Chikritzhs (National Drug Research Institute), Robin Room (Turning Point Alcohol & Drug Centre), Prof Melanie Wakefield (BSD), Michael Livingstone (Turning Point Alcohol & Drug Centre), Dr Sarah Durkin, Dr Denise Azar, Agatha Faulkner (BSD)

National Health & Medical Research Council in partnership with Foundation for Alcohol Research & Education (FARE and VicHealth) 2012–2017

Research grants awarded in 2014

We fund projects no matter what method of research or cancer type. In fact, some of the following 13 projects will have benefits for all cancers, while others directly look at common cancers like melanoma, breast, and prostate or less common cancers like leukaemia.

They are the best projects in our state, selected because they have the greatest likelihood of advancing our cancer knowledge.

A new target in the chemosensitisation of tumour cells

Dr Andrew Deans, Dr Alessandro Costa
Genome Stability Unit, St Vincent's Institute of Medical Research, \$200,000 (2015-2016)

Tumour type: Breast, Leukaemia

This project investigates new class of enzyme associated with the leukaemia-prone disorder Fanconi anemia. Targeting this enzyme with inhibitors may be a strategy to improve treatment with widely used chemotherapies.

A novel antibody target in melanoma

Dr Andreas Behren, Dr Katherine Woods, Prof Jonathan Cebon

Cancer Immunobiology, Olivia Newton-John Cancer Research Institute, \$93,089 (2015)

Tumour type: Melanoma

This project examines the role of a molecule in melanoma and its potential as a target

for novel therapies. This may lead to the development of new and/or complementary therapeutic approaches.

Harnessing the immune system against cancer

A/Prof Phillip Darcy,

A/Prof Michael Kershaw

Cancer Immunology Research, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, \$300,000 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: All cancers

This project will employ several novel strategies for enhancing the immune system against cancer. These studies may lead to a more effective therapy for patients.

Hippo pathway molecules as new targets for cancer treatment

Dr Mark Shackleton, A/Prof Kieran Harvey

Research Division, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, \$300,000 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Melanoma

This project will explore the potential for melanoma treatment of targeting a newly discovered family of cancer-causing molecules, which are collectively called the 'Hippo pathway molecules'. Although these molecules have important normal functions in cells, they are disrupted in many cancers, including melanoma, in a way that we expect will lead to new cancer treatments via our research.

How does necrotic cell death contribute to colorectal cancer?

Dr James Murphy, Dr Silvia Alvarez-Diaz, A/Prof Matthias Ernst

Cell Signalling and Cell Death, The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, \$299,478 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Bowel

The project explores the role of a recently discovered form of cell death ("necroptosis") to initiation and progression of colorectal cancer. We aim to identify new therapeutic approaches to combat advanced colorectal cancer.

Investigating how a novel protein promotes breast cancer

Prof Christina Mitchell, Prof Catriona McLean

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Monash University, \$99,919 (2015)

Tumour type: Breast

This project studies the role of a novel regulator of breast cancer growth and spread. The results may lead to the identification of a new target for breast cancer treatment.

Investigating the role of the Epstein-Barr virus in certain types of lymphoma

Dr Gemma Kelly

Molecular Genetics of Cancer Division, The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, \$300,000 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Lymphoma

This project investigates the role of a virus called the Epstein-Barr Virus in certain types of lymphoma. The results will further our understanding of how viruses in general can contribute to cancer and will inform the design of novel drugs that could target viral proteins for the treatment of patients.

Non-chemotherapy drug combinations to turn on suicide genes in lymphoma cells

Dr Jake Shortt, Prof Ricky Johnstone

Gene Regulation Laboratory, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, \$299,073 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Leukaemia, Lymphoma

This project will optimise how to give a new class of drug that turns genes on and off in lymphoma cells. By working out how lymphoma cells become resistant to this new drug class, we will determine which existing drugs are best to combine with to achieve cures.

Tailored therapies for blood cancer

Dr Michaela Waibel, Prof Ricky Johnstone, Prof John Seymour

Cancer Therapeutics Program, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, \$299,415 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Leukaemia, Myeloproliferative Neoplasms (MPN), Paediatric leukaemia

This project develops therapies tailored to the pathogenic changes that occur in blood cancer cells. This will help to treat patients more effectively and to prevent the development of therapy resistance in these cancers.

The aldosterone receptor in breast cancer

Prof Peter Fuller, Dr Ann Drummond, Dr Morag Young, Prof Christine Clarke

MIMR-PHI Institute of Medical Research, \$300,000 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Breast

There is a need for novel approaches to the management of breast cancer. We have identified a potential, unexpected role for the receptor for the adrenal steroid hormones, aldosterone and cortisol in breast development and in breast cancer. This project will clarify and characterise the role of this receptor, the mineralocorticoid receptor in breast cancer.

Novel approaches to treat refractory haematological malignancies

Prof Ross Hannan, Dr Simon Harrison, A/Prof Andrew Wei

Division of Research, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, \$300,000 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Leukaemia, Multiple myeloma

Uncontrolled cellular growth is a hallmark of cancer, however, targeting the crucial rate-limiting step of cell growth – the synthesis the molecular machines that make protein, called ribosomes, has remained elusive as a potential cancer treatment. We have developed the first selective inhibitor of this process, CX-5461, which has shown huge potential to treat human blood cancers and is in clinical trial. This project will identify novel combination therapies centred on targeting ribosomes to treat subclasses of human blood cancers that are incurable.

Treating prostate cancer by protecting the mechanism for cancer suppression

Prof Ygal Haupt, Dr Shahneen Sandhu

Sir Peter MacCallum Department of Oncology, The University of Melbourne, \$300,000 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Prostate

This project will explore the importance of protecting the suppression of cancer as a novel mechanism to treat prostate cancer. The project will define the best combinations of drugs for this treatment.

Understanding how LRR-1 controls breast cancer development

Dr Colin Clyne, Dr Ashwini Chand, Prof Evan Simpson

Cancer Drug Discovery, MIMR-PHI Institute of Medical Research, \$300,000 (2015-2017)

Tumour type: Breast

This project studies the role of a specific molecule in breast cancer growth and development. The results will allow a better understanding of how breast cancer cells divide and spread, and may lead to new treatment opportunities.

Thank you to our supporters

We would like to extend an extra special thank you to every individual, organisation, fundraising team and volunteer group who raised funds or donated to Cancer Council Victoria in 2014. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Research Awards

A number of individuals and organisations donated or raised more than \$5000 in 2014 and elected to support a particular area of investigation through a Research Award. We thank them for their generosity.

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Our sporting community fundraising events raised awareness of cancer in men and over \$85,000 in 2014.

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Bayside Venue	\$47,700
Bellarine Venue	\$92,900
Benalla Venue	\$34,900
Bendigo Venue	\$172,600
Brimbank Venue	\$21,000
Cardinia Venue	\$72,200
Caroline Springs	\$91,900
Casey Venue	\$463,800
Castlemaine Venue	\$36,600
Colac Venue	\$61,200
Corangamite Venue	\$109,100
Cranbourne-Narre	\$124,400
Dandenong Venue	\$26,800
Darebin Venue	\$31,500
Diamond Valley Venue	\$169,500
Docklands Venue	\$111,300
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Frankston Venue	\$130,500
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Hawthorn Venue	\$143,000
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Yarra City Venue	\$16,100
Yarra Ranges Venue	\$50,900
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