

Together, we're changing  
and saving lives.

**Thank you.**

2018/19 Donor Impact Report



Royal  
Adelaide  
Hospital  
Research  
Fund

We are  
fortunate to have  
the most wonderful  
community of donors –  
generous, dedicated  
South Australians like you,  
who are committed to  
funding research that  
helps to change and  
save lives.



Arturo Princi  
RAH patient and prostate cancer survivor

# How you've made an impact.



## Extraordinary generosity

**3,398**

donors helped raise more than

**\$3.4M**

## A lasting impact

We were honoured to receive

**55** bequest  
payments from

**26** estates



## Investing in future research

RAH Research Fund funded

**15**

scholarships, grants and fellowships



## Valued support from within the RAH community

Personal donations from RAH  
private practitioners of

**\$617K**

Regular payroll contributions from

**145**

staff members



## Growing community support

We welcomed

**644**

new donors and we thank the

**208**

members of our monthly  
regular giving program

**241**

RAH Research Projects

**83** new

**158** current

## Areas for Research Projects

**33** Cancer

**27** Critical Care

**84** Medical

**16** Renal

**81** Surgical



**394**

RAH clinical trials

**92** new

**302** current

## Areas for Research Projects

**184** Cancer

**19** Critical Care

**102** Medical

**28** Renal

**61** Surgical



“At all times we will ensure your gift is used wisely and respectfully.”

Lesley Dwyer  
CEO Central Adelaide  
Local Health Network  
(CALHN)



## Governance

**It's important to us that your precious gift goes exactly where you wish it to go – helping our researchers find medical breakthroughs to help people suffering from terrible diseases such as cancer, heart disease, lung disease, renal disease, dementia, to name but a few.**

By law, all donations received by the RAH Research Fund must be vested with the Health Services Charitable Gift Board (HSCGB), an independent body that receives and invests the donated funds from Public Health Entities. Researchers then need to apply under strict guidelines for funding of nominated research projects, services and equipment. This provides the highest level of governance and means your generous donations will only be used for the purposes that you intended.

# Research in the spotlight

Your kindness has helped advance innovative, life-changing research projects.



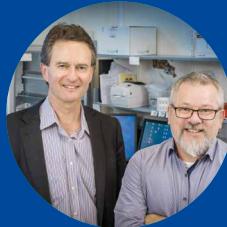
### Inflammatory Bowel Disease

Professor Jane Andrews, Head of Inflammatory Bowel Disease Service is pioneering work in the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, providing critical mental health support for chronic sufferers of Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD). **Your donations** have enabled a part-time psychologist to provide timely support to inpatients at their most sick and vulnerable, and ensures continuity of mental health support for outpatients.



### Acquired Brain Injury

**Thanks to you**, researcher Dr Maggie Killington and her team at South Australia Brain Injury Rehabilitation Services, Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre continue to investigate the journey travelled by children and their parents after one parent has suffered an Acquired Brain Injury. The project is developing resources and technology to support families, testing resource suitability and conducting an efficacy study to support knowledge transfer to clinicians.



### Rare cancers

The RAH, in conjunction with SA Pathology, launched a new South Australian study in partnership with the Australian Genomic Cancer Medicine Program, an Australia-wide research project to improve the diagnosis and treatment of rare cancers. **Your support** has added specialist researchers to the team providing new treatment opportunities and new hope for people battling rare cancers.



### Prostate cancer

**Thanks to your generous donations**, Dr John Bolt is delighted to share his new plans to expand the Urology Unit at the RAH. Dr Bolt will add an additional Research Fellowship position, to further support the health and wellbeing of South Australian men diagnosed with prostate cancer. The fellow will be able to undertake new, in depth study protocols to develop tailored treatment plans, improve treatment outcomes and save more lives.



## Behind the Microscope



Dr Melissa Pitman speaking at the RAH Research Fund's Behind the Microscope.

# You've come behind the microscope with us.

We were delighted to meet so many passionate donors and supporters at the RAH Research Fund's **Behind the Microscope**, a series of one hour 'conversation style' events launched in June 2019. Our first speaker on 5 June 2019 was Dr Melissa Pitman, who was awarded a RAH Research Fund Florey Fellowship to continue her work on ovarian cancer. Dr Pitman and her team, in close collaboration with Prof Martin Oehler, Director of Gynaecological Oncology at the RAH, are conducting research to discover better treatments for ovarian cancer.

In a celebration of research excellence, the inaugural **RAHsearch Week** was held on 22 November 2018, an opportunity for our generous community to discover the latest advances in medical research at the RAH and meet the talented people behind this work. Along the gallery walk, 23 researchers accompanied informative posters and talked about their work with the general public, donors and invited guests. There were also 18 research presentations in our lecture theatres.

Thank you for making a difference.



### Direct Fundraising

- 11% Community
- 7% Corporate
- 39% Individual
- 42% Private Practice
- 1% Workplace Giving



## Raising funds for life-saving medical research at the Royal Adelaide Hospital

Contact us

T (08) 7074 1445

E [contactus@rahresearchfund.com.au](mailto:contactus@rahresearchfund.com.au)

[RAHresearchfund.com.au](http://RAHresearchfund.com.au)

