

Our Forums

Research Australia’s forums are convened to unite the health and medical research sector on a common platform

Health and Medical Research Awards

Established in 2003, this high-profile event brings together research and other organisations from across the research pipeline to honour and acknowledge leaders and achievers in the Health and Medical Research sector. Past winners include Ita Buttrose, Lady Mary Fairfax, Dr Jeff Holst, Prof Ian Gust AO, Prof Doug Hilton and Sir Bruce Watson.



Sir Gustav Nossal – Research Australia Patron



Chris Chapman, Chair, Nadia Levin, CEO Research Australia, Prof Peter Leedman, Philanthropy Award winner Andrew Forrest AO, (accepted by Bruce Mansfield, CEO Minderoo Foundation), Minister Greg Hunt



Shadow Health Minister, Catherine King

University Roundtables

These quarterly roundtables are Chaired by Research Australia Director, Professor Nicholas Fisk, and bring together senior leaders from the country’s most reputable universities. This forum provides a unique opportunity to discuss and test ideas that are specifically relevant to health and medical research in the university sector. They feature speakers and influencers from across government, such as the Chief Scientist and Senior health and innovation officials through to innovation entrepreneurs and highly cited researchers from diverse disciplines.



Roundtable Chair, Professor Nicholas Fisk



Above, Fierce Debate on Data in the sector at Parliament House NSW, 17 May 2018



Speaker Series

A diverse audience of thought leaders and commentators gather for these forums to hear and contribute to discussions on the critical issues confronting the sector. Hon Catherine Cusack MC – Parliamentary Secretary for Digital Inclusion opened our inaugural series which addressed New South Wales’ readiness to harness ‘The transformative power of data in the health and medical research’. Panellists included; Dr Jean-Frederic Levesque – CEO NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation, Professor Emily Banks – Scientific Director Sax Institute, Dr Avi Ratnanesan – CEO Energesse, Harry, Iles-Mann – Patient/Consumer Advocate.

Health Economists Roundtables

This forum connects health economists with health policymakers. Given the enormous resources invested in health and medical research and health services, ensuring smart and relevant outcomes is key to a healthy population and economy.

Chair



CEO Lunches

Members of the Research Australia Executive team host CEO lunches across the country. Attendees can meet with other leaders and peers in the sector, discuss challenges and opportunities relevant to their organisations and leverage advocacy efforts of their national Health and Medical Research peak body.

Left, Nadia Levin, CEO Research Australia



Research Australia's Board

Our board is comprised of a group of prominent, passionate professionals who proactively contribute to our uniquely placed organisation to ensure it fulfils its mission and to drive the change that is required to transform healthcare for Australians. The Board reflects a balanced and effective governance structure. The members provide technical expertise drawn from industry associations, medical research institutes, universities and philanthropic foundations and companies.



Chris Chapman
Chair, Research Australia
President, International
Institute of Communications.
Chairman, Nihilent
Australia



Peter Wills AC
Deputy Chair,
Research Australia
Chairman, Biomedical
Translation Fund
Committee



Nadia Levin
Managing Director
and CEO,
Research Australia



Annette Schmiede
Executive Leader,
Bupa Health Foundation



Professor Nicholas Fisk
Deputy Vice-Chancellor
(Research), University of
NSW, Sydney



Professor Brendan Crabb, AC
Director & CEO
Burnet Institute



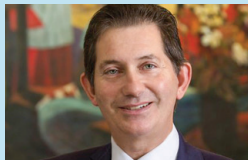
Professor Alexandra McManus
Consultant, Health &
Medical Research



Associate Professor Greg Kaplan
Chief Operating Officer
Ingham Institute for
Applied Medical
Research



Dr Alison Butt
Director, Research
Strategy Office
University of NSW,
Sydney



Professor Ian Jacobs
President and
Vice-Chancellor,
University of NSW,
Sydney



Professor Mary Foley, AM
Managing Director,
Telstra Health



Jenny Morawska
Chief Executive Officer
and Managing Director,
The Morawska Group



Dr Andrew Nash
Senior Vice President
Research, CSL Limited

Some of our illustrious alumni

Anne Trimmer
Secretary General, Australian
Medical Association

Geoff Joyce
Executive Director, Head of
M&A, Macquarie Group Ltd

Dr Chris Roberts
Chief Executive Officer,
Cochlear Limited

Dr Anna Lavelle
Chairman, Avatar Brokers

Dr Matthew Gillespie
Associate Director,
St Vincent’s Institute

Professor Peter Schofield
Chief Executive Officer,
NeuRA

Professor Christine Bennett AO
Dean School of Medicine,
University of Notre Dame
Australia

Professor Garry Jennings AO
Chief Medical Advisor, Heart
Foundation

Professor Janet Hiller
Dean School of Health
Sciences, Swinburne
University of Technology

Professor John Funder AC
Distinguished Scientist,
Hudson Institute of Medical
Research

Professor John McGrath AM
Executive Director,
Queensland Centre for Mental
Health Research

Professor John Niland AC
Former Vice Chancellor and
Principal, University of New
South Wales

Professor Judith Whitworth AC
Director, John Curtin School
of Medical Research,
Australian National University.

Professor Perry Bartlett
Director, Queensland
Brain Institute, University of
Queensland

Adjunct Professor Richard Head
Sansom Institute of Health
Research, University of South
Australia

RESEARCH AUSTRALIA
CONNECTING • ENGAGING • INFLUENCING

Research Australia 384 Victoria Street, Darlinghurst NSW 2010

P 61 2 9295 8545

W www.researchaustralia.org

E admin@researchaustralia.org

@ResAustralia

research-australia

/researchaustralia

Research Australia

The national peak body for health & medical research



An Overview

Research Australia is the national peak body representing the entire health & medical research pipeline



Our Role

RESEARCH AUSTRALIA



Our Focus

Research Australia understands the stakeholders who influence the sector's future and is uniquely positioned to convene representatives from across the entire pipeline to discuss the bold ideas that will drive change in the health and medical sector. As a trusted and credible third party, we are committed to advocating for great policy to ensure great research.

We do this through focusing on 3 key areas:

1. Data as a national resource – Harnessing the transformative power of data to accelerate advances in health
2. Embedding research in Australia's health system – Evidence-based healthcare driven by the best research
3. Smarter investment in health and medical research – Smart investment in health and medical research balances resources with need, capacity and opportunity

RESEARCH AUSTRALIA
CONNECTING • ENGAGING • INFLUENCING

Our Members

Our members include leading research organisations, health providers and peak bodies, academic institutions, charities, community special interest groups, biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, small businesses and corporate Australia. We convene leaders across the health and medical research sector to:

- Advocate for smarter investment in health and medical research
- Drive a policy environment that empowers research to thrive
- Champion the role health and medical research plays in enabling a healthy population and healthy economy

Our Achievements

Some of Research Australia's sector advocacy contributions:

- Participation in the the establishment of the Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF)
- The 2018-19 budget announcement of a \$240m investment in a Frontier Health and Medical Research Program
- Funding of the National Health and Medical Research Council doubling from 2000-2015
- Driving the national policy agenda for over 15 years