

Your support makes a **difference**



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Help stop Australia's National Cancer - Gifts in Wills

When you leave a gift in your will for melanoma research, your legacy helps scientists pursue bold ideas, develop new treatments, and give hope to patients and their families.

Behind every research breakthrough is someone who chose to help. Every dollar brings us closer to a future without melanoma.

About the Australian Melanoma Research Foundation

For 20 years, the Australian Melanoma Research Foundation has been committed to our mission to fund research towards the **prevention, early detection and treatment of melanoma**. With your support, we are able to fund Australia's next great minds and accelerate science **to stop Australia's national cancer**.



One in three Australians will develop a skin cancer. The most dangerous is melanoma.



In Australia, **one person dies from melanoma every 6 hours**.



The direct cost to our health care system of treating melanoma is expected to **exceed \$3b before 2030**.



Over 90% of melanoma **can be treated successfully** if detected early.

Our Impact



30 MELANOMA RESEARCH
PROJECTS FUNDED



12 AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH
INSTITUTES



OVER \$500K INVESTED

Ending the devastating impact of melanoma requires a **collective effort**.

By supporting research, you are helping **save lives today and protect generations to come**.

-DR WAYNE HARVEY, EXECUTIVE CHAIR



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WAYS TO LEAVE A GIFT

Once you have remembered those closest to you, there are several ways to support the Australian Melanoma Research Foundation by including a gift in your Will.

	<p>Residual Bequest</p> <p>Leave the remainder (or a percentage of the remainder) of your estate as a donation once specific gifts and expenses have been allocated.</p>
	<p>Percentage Bequest</p> <p>Nominate a percentage of your total estate to be donated.</p>
	<p>Specific Bequest</p> <p>State a specific dollar amount in your Will to be donated.</p>

It's important to talk to your loved ones about your intention to leave a gift to melanoma research. This can help to ensure that your intentions and wishes are carried out.

Write your Will for free online

The Australian Melanoma Research Foundation is partnered with **everywill**, Australia's leading online will-writing platform to offer you a free, legally valid Will in under 10 minutes. You can include a gift to Australian Melanoma Research Foundation as part of this simple process, and update your Will any time, for free.



Write your free Will at: everywill.com.au/c/amrf



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DIRECTING AND ACKNOWLEDGING YOUR GIFT

Including a gift in your will is a deeply personal choice, and we'd be honoured to talk with you about how we can best respect and support your wishes.

You may choose to:

- **Support the Area of Greatest Need:** Your gift will be directed to the most urgent and promising research projects at the time.
- **Support a Specific Award:** If you have a particular interest, such as early diagnosis, prevention, or treatments, we can work with you to ensure your gift aligns with your wishes.
- **Honoring your Legacy:** Whether you wish to remain anonymous or be publicly acknowledged, we will respect your preferences.

Suggested Wording for your Will

For peace of mind when writing or update your Will, it's a good idea to speak with a solicitor, trustee or accredited professional.

A residual gift

I give to the Australian Melanoma Research Foundation (ABN 26 429 861 213) the residue of my estate to be used for its general purposes [or specify a particular purpose]. I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Australian Melanoma Research Foundation will be sufficient discharge to my Trustee, who will not be bound to see to the application of this gift.

A specific gift

I give to the Australian Melanoma Research Foundation (ABN 26 429 861 213) the sum of \$[insert amount or describe specific asset] to be used for its general purposes [or specify a particular purpose]. I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the AMRF will be sufficient discharge to my Trustee, who will not be bound to see to the application of this gift.



Research is saving lives



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I'm **deeply grateful to the Australian Melanoma Research Foundation** for their support, which enables me to contribute to the advancement of personalised cancer care and **make a meaningful difference in the lives of those affected by melanoma.**

*Dr Priyanka Rana
Macquarie University*

Developing a multimodal AI model to better guide melanoma treatment decisions.



How we fund research

Our Research Advisory Committee uses a scientific framework to identify key research areas to ensure every dollar makes a difference. Priority is given to innovative research with the potential for high impact, near-term clinical application for melanoma prevention, diagnosis and treatment. Funds are only used for the direct costs of the research and not for institutional overheads, infrastructure or other indirect costs.

Named Awards

*Named Awards stand as a tribute to the importance of research to **create change for melanoma patients.** Make a gift of \$50,000 or over, and choose to name an award in memory.*

*Your loved ones be connected with the grant recipient, updated on the progress of their research and **have the opportunity to see your donation in action.***



Survival rates of advanced melanoma

2011
Less than 10%



2024
Over 55%



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need to re-write my entire Will to include a gift?

Not necessarily. You can add a bequest by creating a legal amendment to your Will. We recommend you seek professional advice if making an amendment.

Can I choose how my gift is used?

Yes, you can direct your gift to a specific award, create a named award or allow us to allocate your gift where it is most needed.

Is there a minimum amount I need to leave?

No, every gift, no matter the size, makes a meaningful difference.

Should I notify Australian Melanoma Research Institute if I've included a gift in my Will?

You're under no obligation to tell us, but we'd love the opportunity to thank you and keep you informed of the impact your future gift will make.

Can I formally document my bequest intentions with Australia Melanoma Research Foundation?

Yes, we can formalise your intentions in a Gift Agreement - a non-binding document which allows you to record your intention to leave a gift in your Will to us and outline any preferences you may have regarding how your gift is used or recognised.

Who can I talk to about gifts in Wills for Australian Melanoma Research Foundation?

If you're considering leaving a gift in your Will, we'd be delighted to speak with you. Please reach out to our Senior Fundraising and Philanthropy Manager, Isobel Moore: isobel@melanomaresearch.com.au or 0414 159 387.