

Australian Genomics & Mito Foundation Genetic Testing Partnership

We are pleased to announce that, in partnership with the [Australian Genomics Health Alliance](#) (Australian Genomics), a new research opportunity for people with suspected mitochondrial disease has become available.

Through this research project, individuals who meet the appropriate entry criteria can gain access to state-of-the-art genetic testing for mitochondrial disease. The purpose of this study is to evaluate new molecular technologies (tests) which look for changes in your DNA (genetic code) responsible for causing mitochondrial disease. The results of this study will help determine the most effective approach to the diagnosis of mitochondrial disease and will hopefully aid earlier intervention and improved outcomes for patients and families with these disorders.

[Click here](#) for more information on Australian Genomics.

This Australia-wide project will run for about two years from 2016. To be eligible, you will need to be referred to one of the following specialist clinics to determine if you meet the entry criteria for the study:

New South Wales and the ACT

Paediatric referrals:

Dr Carolyn Ellaway
Genetic Metabolic Disorders Service
Children's Hospital at Westmead
Cnr Hawkesbury Road & Hainsworth Street
Westmead, NSW

Phone: 02 9845 3654

Please note: Only referrals by a specialist paediatrician or paediatric sub-specialty will be accepted at this clinic.

Adult referrals:

Dr Michel Tchan
Department of Genetic Medicine

Westmead Hospital
Hawkesbury Road, Westmead NSW 2145

Telephone: 02 8890 9780

Fax: 02 88909789

Email: michel.tchan@health.nsw.gov.au

Please note: A referral must come from a physician, with all details of prior investigations included.

Queensland

Paediatric and adult referrals:

Prof David Coman
Lady Cilento Hospital and Wesley Hospital
501 Stanley St,
South Brisbane QLD 4101

Email: david.coman@health.qld.gov.au or enquiries@drdavidcoman.com.au

Please note: Only referrals by a neurologist or a specialist paediatrician will be accepted at this clinic.

South Australia and Northern Territory

Paediatric referrals:

Dr Nick Smith
Department of Neurology and Clinical Neurophysiology
Women's and Children's Hospital
Level 2, Clarence Rieger Building
Women's and Children's Hospital
72 King William Road
North Adelaide SA 5006

Email: nicholas.smith@health.sa.gov.au

Phone: 08 8161 7308

Fax: 08 8161 6224

Please note: Only referrals by a neurologist or specialist paediatrician will be accepted at this clinic.

Adult referrals:

Dr Janice Fletcher
Clinical Director, Genetics & Molecular Pathology, SA Pathology
Royal Adelaide Hospital
Margaret Graham Building
Frome Road, Adelaide

or

Women's and Children's Hospital
Level 4, Clarence Rieger Building
72 King William Road
North Adelaide SA 5006

Please note: A referral must come from a physician, with all details of prior investigations included.

Victoria and Tasmania

Paediatric referrals:

Dr Joy Lee
Department of Metabolic Medicine
The Royal Children's Hospital
50 Flemington Rd
Parkville VIC 3052

Phone: 03 93456251

Fax: 03 93456740

Email: metabolic@rch.org.au

Please note: Only referrals by a general paediatrician or paediatric sub-specialist will be accepted at this clinic.

Adult referrals:

Professor Martin Delatycki – referrals can be sent to Michelle de Silva
AGHA Associate Genetic Counsellor

Murdoch Children's Research Institute
The Royal Children's Hospital
Flemington Rd
Parkville VIC 3052

Phone: 03 9936 6109

Please note: A referral must come from physician, with all details of prior investigations included.

or

Associate Professor Michael Fahey and Dr Maie Walsh
Genetic Medicine & Familial Cancer Centre
The Royal Melbourne Hospital
Grattan Street
Parkville VIC 3052

Contact: Dr Adrienne Sexton (Genetic Counsellor)

Ph: 03 9342 7151

Fax: 03 9342 4267

Email: genetics@mh.org.au

Please note: You will need a referral from your medical specialist with all details of prior investigations included.

Western Australia

Paediatric referrals:

Dr Maina Kava
Princess Margaret Hospital
Roberts Rd
Subiaco WA 6008

Phone: 08 9340 8222

Please note: A referral must come from a paediatric neurologist with all details of prior investigations included.



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Adult referrals:

Professor Phillipa Lamont
WA Neurogenetic Service
Royal Perth Hospital

Phone: 08 9224 3353

Please note: A referral must come from physician, with all details of prior investigations included.