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Australia advances research into blood cancer and neurological conditions in children

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Three new grants have been awarded to researchers



The Commonwealth Government's Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) has invested close to $8 million to advance neurological and cancer research led by Monash University's Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences in Australia.

The three grants have been awarded to Associate Professor Zoe McQuilton from the School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Professor Peter Anderson from the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health and Professor Katrina Williams from the Monash School of Clinical Sciences.

Associate Professor McQuilton's project will generate evidence to improve use of immunoglobulin replacement to reduce infections in blood cancers.

Professor Anderson will lead research focussing on very preterm births (two months early), and the developmental delays and impairments associated with the occurrence.

The project being led by paediatrician Professor Williams will focus on early, novel and accessible intervention for children with developmental regression.

The Government's $20 billion MRFF is a long-term, sustainable investment in Australian health and medical research.