

## Australia announces \$5.4 M boost for brain cancer research

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## To improve the health and wellbeing of the almost 2,000 Australians



The Australian Government will invest more than \$5.4 million in three groundbreaking brain cancer research projects.

These projects will improve the health and wellbeing of the almost 2,000 Australians, including up to 200 children, that are diagnosed with this devastating disease each year.

One of the three projects awarded is the 'GLIMMER' project led by the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research. This large-scale project will address the lack of effective treatment options for glioblastoma, the most common and deadliest type of brain cancer.

The programme aims to improve survival outcomes for brain cancer patients and their quality of life, and avoid unnecessary health burdens for this devastating disease.

The recipients of the Brain Cancer Research grant, which is part of the Medical Research Future Fund are-

The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research will receive \$4.6 million for its "GLIMMER" - Glioma Liquid biopsy and Multiomic-Monitoring Enabled Research platform.

The University of New South Wales will receive \$580,000 for a new targeted combination therapy with matched biomarker to treat intractable glioblastoma.

The Council of the Queensland Institute of Medical Research will receive \$330,000 for Off-the-shelf: CAR-T cell immunotherapy for brain cancer.