



Leave a
legacy
to last
generations



Queensland Institute of
Medical Research

A GUIDE TO
Bequests

Chairman's message



As Chairman of the Queensland Institute of Medical Research (QIMR) I would like to personally thank you for recognising the value of medical research and considering leaving a bequest to QIMR.

At QIMR, we have some of Australia and the world's brightest scientific minds. Their extensive knowledge together with our world class resources

and organisational energy are the reason we enjoy an international reputation for innovative research.

To help us attract and retain such high calibre staff it is essential that we continue to upgrade our facilities and resources. It is only through the foresight and generosity of people like you that this is possible.

We appreciate that this is a very important decision and we would be happy to provide you with more information if needed. Please call our Donor Liaison Officers on freecall 1800 993 000.

The medical treatment we receive today is possible thanks to the dedication of past research teams and the people who supported them.

Please accept my sincere thanks for considering QIMR and we look forward to you joining us on our journey towards better health through medical research.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Hay".

Professor John Hay AC



The Queensland Institute of Medical Research (QIMR) has a vision of better health through medical research.

This means that future generations can live longer, healthier lives without being affected by diseases such as cancer.

But we can't battle these diseases alone. We need your help to continue our research; to search for ways to prevent and combat and defeat diseases around the world.

QIMR researchers share a vision to understand and prevent diseases that touch the lives of millions.

Help us to achieve better health for future generations

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Maureen's father passed away in 1986 after suffering for many years with lung cancer. The changes that have taken place since then are definitely amazing – and it is all thanks to medical research. Although we support many charities we are amazed at the feedback from the people working at QIMR, their dedication is beyond belief and at least our money is being used for the benefit of everybody in Australia and overseas. We will continue to support their good work through our estate and hopefully our legacy will be that many more disease problems will eventually be solved or at least improved.

Barry and Maureen Stevenson

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Who we are

QIMR is a not-for-profit organisation and is one of the largest and most successful medical research institutes in Australia.

QIMR provides support for researchers who perform world-class, ethical medical research. Our mission is to prevent and cure disease, and improve the health outcomes of people worldwide.

We have five research divisions dedicated to cancer, mental health, genetics, immunology and infectious disease. We research a wide range of conditions from heart disease and asthma to dengue fever and HIV.

For a full list of the conditions we research, please visit our website: www.qimr.edu.au

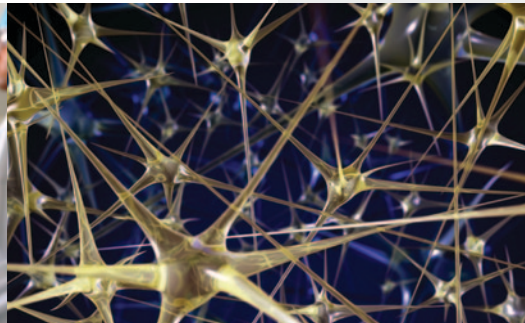
What we do

QIMR aims to determine the environmental and genetic factors that cause disease. Our research aims to develop diagnostics and treatments that are more efficient and effective than current methods.

Our vision is to improve health through medical research.

We need your help to continue our life-saving work.

“ 500,000 people will die from rheumatic heart disease worldwide every year. QIMR is trialling a vaccine against the bacteria responsible for this debilitating disease. ”



What is a bequest?

A bequest is an instruction in your Will to leave a gift (property, money or other asset) to a specific person or charity. We rely on the generosity of people who make provision for QIMR in their Wills to fund our future medical research needs.

You and your Will

Your Will is a legal document that gives instructions on your wishes and determines the legacy you leave behind. We recommend that you seek legal advice when writing your Will, and the instructions left in your Will should be discussed with your relatives or loved ones.

“ We see our bequest as our investment in the future. ”



How do I leave a bequest?

1. If you do not have a Will, you will need to obtain legal advice about creating one. Contact a solicitor or Public Trustee in your State.
2. If you already have a Will, you can easily add a codicil (a short amendment to your existing Will).
3. Decide on what type of bequest you would like to leave. You can leave a bequest of:
 - a. a specific amount of money;
 - b. the residual value after you have provided for your loved ones;
 - c. a gift of property, shares, bonds, life insurance, jewellery, or other possessions; or
 - d. a percentage of your total estate.
4. Discuss your wishes with your family and Will executors to ensure that your reasons for your decision are understood.

All the names of our most generous bequests are inscribed on a permanent Wall of Appreciation at QIMR in honour of the donors who support us in this way.



Recommended wording

General bequest:

“I give and bequeath (*specify the type of gift*) to The Council of the Queensland Institute of Medical Research, 300 Herston Road, Herston to be applied for general charitable purposes, and in respect of such legacy, I declare as follows:

- (a) A general charitable intent shall apply;
- (b) The receipt of the Secretary for the time being shall constitute a full and sufficient discharge to executors and trustees;
- (c) My executors and trustees shall not be obliged to see or to enquire into the application of money or assets, the subject of such legacy.”

Specific bequest:

“I give and bequeath (*specify the type of gift*) to The Council of the Queensland Institute of Medical Research, 300 Herston Road, Herston to be applied for (*specify the area of research e.g. cancer, children’s diseases*) and in respect of such legacy, I declare as follows:

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“ Every 30 seconds, a child dies from malaria. QIMR is working towards better treatments and diagnostics. ”



Bequest response form

Please complete this form and return it to us.
All of your information will remain confidential.

Your details

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other:

Name

Address

.....

Suburb Postcode

Phone

Email

“ 1 in 2 Australians will be
diagnosed with cancer in their
lifetime ”



Please tear off this page and post your completed form (no stamp required) to:
QIMR, Reply Paid 70885, Royal Brisbane Hospital QLD 4029

- I would like someone to visit/telephone me to discuss bequest options
- I have already provided for QIMR in my will
- I am unable to make a bequest to QIMR but please accept my gift of: \$.....

Donation amount

\$10 \$20 \$50 \$100 Other: \$.....

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

I have enclosed a cheque payable to QIMR **OR**

Charge my: Visa Mastercard AMEX Diners

Card #

Card holder's name

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Expiry date

Card holder's signature

Fold out this page to fill in
your bequest form



*“By making a bequest I know that my contribution
can be used to improve the health of everyone,
young and old, here in Australia and abroad...”*

Robyn Holdway, QIMR Supporter



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