

# 2010 CLINICAL TRIALS HONOUR ROLL

INTERNATIONAL CLINICAL TRIALS DAY, 20 MAY 2010



## INTRODUCTION

Medical research is widely recognised by the community as a valuable service. Clinical trials are a subset of medical research that provide the evidence to translate ideas and discoveries into clinical practice. A variety of stakeholders, both volunteer and professional, must work together in partnership to make clinical trials happen. Without scientists, investigators, nurses, funding, infrastructure and equipment, regulatory and ethical oversight, collaboration, monitoring and human volunteers, contributing time and resources to clinical trials, medicine would not advance as quickly or as safely.

This Honour Roll provides the opportunity to celebrate individuals and organisations that have nominated themselves or others for their contribution to clinical trials in Australasia since Jan 2009, thereby helping to advance medical knowledge for the benefit of the entire community. A special congratulations goes to Mrs Danita Kapp as the most Nominated Individual on the 2010 Honour Roll. In the past we have also recognised the most nominated organisation, however this year there were no candidates with multiple nominations.

This year the Honour Roll was not widely publicised for economic reasons, so there are not as many listed as in the past. However, this is not to understate the value of clinical trials to Australia and New Zealand. A wide cross-section of individuals and organisations contribute to and benefit from their involvement in clinical research both as volunteers, professionals and organisations, by being able to access the latest treatments in development, professional opportunities in research or a culture of continuous improvement and excellence in care that research encourages.

Congratulations to all those listed for showing pride in their own contribution or that of someone they know to clinical trials.

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## INDIVIDUALS

The following individuals listed themselves or were nominated by peers for recognition of their contribution to clinical trials over the past year (in alphabetical order).

Name	Type of Organisation	Contribution to Clinical Trials
Mrs Danita Kapp <b>*Most Nominated Individual on the 2010 Honour Roll*</b>	Hospital	Danita has been the driving force and inspiration for Oncology Clinical Trials at The Townsville Hospital. Danita has been working in trials at this hospital for over 5 years. Her knowledge is exceptional and she has been a huge support to other staff in the office.
Dr Abhishek Joshi	Hospital	I am a PI working on 7 oncology trials.
Prof Alexander Gallus	Hospital	Prof Gallus has participated in dvt/pe research area for at least 30 years at Flinders Medical Centre, participating in over 46, mainly international, studies. Often lead PI and on steering committees.
Mr Andrew Woods	CRO	I am a Senior Clinical Projects Assistant who assists and drives the submission of the Sponsor's new clinical studies to various HREC's around the country. These studies are from a broad range in therapeutic areas and interests.
Dr Arthur "The Risk Taker" Falls IMS. UPE. RCO. OL.	NA	Participated in a trial earlier this year
Azette Rafei, UQ Department of Medicine	University	Senior Research Manager - Coordinating Pharmaceutical and Investigator initiated Cardiovascular clinical trials.
Mr Bruce A Watson	NA	I suffer from erectile dysfunction and am prepared to volunteer for trials of new treatments
Cindy Hall	Hospital	Committed research nurse manager and contributor to the HoMER initiative

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Dr Darren Walters	Government	Director of The Cardiology Clinical Research Centre at The Prince Charles Hospital. A keen participant in clinical trials and investigator driven research.
Dr Dimitar Sajkov	Medical research institute, Trial network, Hospital, University, Ethics Committee	I am the principal Investigator in several multi-centre and single centre clinical trials including new influenza vaccines and vaccine adjuvants, clinical research databases, COPD, Asthma and sleep disorders.
Mr Elizabeth Heyer	Hospital	Liz has been a Clinical Research Coordinator at The Townsville Hospital for 2 years and does a remarkable job on her trials.
Ms Helen Branagan	Hospital, University	Nurse Research Manager, University of Queensland, Princess Alexandra Hospital TEMPLATE study in Peripheral Artery Disease - funded by NHMRC and Cardiac MRI studies.
Dr Janelle Bowden	Independent Contractor, ARO	I enjoy promoting the value of clinical trials, and consumer engagement in clinical trials. I am currently a regional project manager for a pharmaceutical sponsored cardiovascular outcomes trial and I contribute to various groups trying to improve clinical research in Australia.
Jennifer O Hunt	Hospital	Coordinating MASTER Trial follow-up study for 17 Australian Centres and 7 Asian Centres.
Ms Jo Morgan	Hospital	I am a clinical trials nurse working on viral hepatitis trials
Judith Page	Hospital	Judy has been working in clinical trials for over a year now. She takes great pride in her work and ensures her patients receive exceptional care and ensures they are followed up correctly even after they have been discontinued from a trial.
Mrs Julie Holliday	Hospital, University	Nurse Researcher, University of Queensland, Princess Alexandra Hospital - trials include WHICH? heart failure trial and IMPRESS trial - premature CVD - funded by NHMRC.
Krishna Chappidi	ARO	I have been worked as Study Coordinator for 12 cardiac clinical trials, enrolled 210 subjects, reported 6 endpoints and 36 SAEs in timelines, successfully completed till final follow-ups for 180 subjects. Now a CTA.

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Mr Laurent Billot	Medical research institute	Director of the Statistics and Data Management division at the George Institute. Provides support to all clinical trials run by the George Institute. Has been involved in the design and analysis of clinical trials for around 10 years in many different therapeutic areas.
Mrs Leanne Rigby	Hospital, University	Nurse Researcher, University of Queensland, Princess Alexandra Hospital IMPRESS trial - premature CVD - funded by NHMRC.
Louise Hayman	CRO	Involved in clinical trials
Ms Margaret Morton	Hospital	Margaret is a Clinical Research Coordinator with the Geriatric Research Unit, Internal Medicine Programme, at the Prince Charles Hospital. She has had extensive clinical drug trials experience, specialising in Alzheimer's Dementia studies. Margaret is very passionate and committed to this field of study, actively participating in forums and organisations aimed at implementing change and improvements within the clinical research spectrum. Margaret is a well respected and motivating member of the Geriatric Research team.
May Ngieng	Government, Hospital	I am a Clinical Trials Coordinator working on HIV and sexual health related trials at the Gold Coast Sexual Health Clinic.
Ms Megan Phelps	Hospital	I am a CRC working in Hepatology. I have been involved in 18 clinical trials over the past 6 years.
Melanie Gentgall	Hospital	Clinical Research Manager, Pain and Anaesthesia Research and contributor to the HoMER initiative
Nikki Farrar	Pharmaceutical Company running trials	Involve in pharma-sponsored clinical research and contributor to the HoMER initiative
Pauline Cahill	Hospital	Managing clinical trials at hospital
Pauline Keays	Hospital	Has been a huge support in the running of trials at hospital

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Pradeep Shirude	Pharmaceutical Company running trials	I am currently working as Clinical Research Associate. I worked on Ophthalmology, Diabetes, Epilepsy and Cardiovascular trials. Also I worked on the project thesis "Effective Onsite Monitoring and Expectations from Clinical Research Associates".
Prof Richard Prince	Hospital; University	Endocrinologist, experienced researcher and contributor to various working groups, including the HoMER initiative
Dr Robert H Loblay	Hospital; University	Senior Lecturer, Clinical Immunology and Allergy specialist, experienced researcher and contributor to various committees, including the HoMER initiative
Mr Shanker Krishnamoorthy	CRO	I am a Senior QA Associate with 3.2 years of clinical research experience. I have participated in 6 BABE studies as a subject. I have worked for 8 interventional studies and 9 observational studies and working in 4 interventional and 4 observational studies. I also provide new employee with GCP training.
A/Professor Stephen Hall	Medical research institute	Rheumatologist – over 18 years of clinical research experience including 15+ years experience in the area of industry related clinical trials
Sue Jenkins-Marsh	Government	Principle Project Officer (Queensland Health, Research Ethics and Governance Unit) and contributor to various committees, including the HoMER initiative
Mr Vishal Gopal	ARO	Assisting teams in Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia, China and India to implement a Global Clinical Trial to treat patients with type 2 diabetes whom have recently suffered an Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS) event.
Ms Yamuna V Reddy	CRO, Training Provider	Through the organisation I work for, I have been able to provide Drug and Device Development Services which help Sponsors take their product faster to the market.

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## ORGANISATIONS

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AccessCR Pty Ltd	Information and contract support	Resource for the community to learn about and find clinical trials; Information and support for clinical research professionals.
ARCS Australia Limited	Training Provider	A Not for Profit, member based association that provides education, information and networking opportunities for all those involved in therapeutic goods development.
Australasian Leukaemia and Lymphoma Group	Trial network	The ALLG is Australia's foremost collaborative group conducting investigator initiated clinical trials in haematological cancers. ALLG trials are multidisciplinary and involve collaborations with COSA groups.
AVERT Trialist collaboration	Trial network	The AVERT Trialists Collaboration includes over 450 physiotherapists, nurses and other acute care clinicians engaged in the largest acute stroke rehabilitation trial in the world.
Cancer Trials Australia	Trial network	This is the most successful Cancer Clinical Trials network in Australia. It coordinates over 60 actively accruing clinical trials in VIC & southern NSW.
Centre for Emotional Health, Macquarie University	Emotional Health Research Centre	Members of the Centre for Emotional Health conduct clinical trials to improve the management of anxiety and related problems across the lifespan.
CGM Research Trust	Research Trust	CGM Research Trust has been a research site for over 90 clinical trials since 1986. 10 clinical trials currently ongoing. We are one of the first NZ Organisations to develop our own SOPs. We have expertise in multi-centre Ethics applications and a very good record in clinical trial recruitment.

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Clinical Trials Action Group	Stakeholders from all sectors	Established late 2009 with the remit to develop options to improve the Australian clinical trials operating environment
HoMER	Government	The Harmonisation of Multi-centre Ethical Review (HoMER) initiative is to enable the recognition of a single ethical and scientific review of multi-centre health and medical research within and/or across Australian jurisdictions. Under the leadership of the NHMRC, many individuals volunteer their time to advance HoMER.
Trident Clinical	CRO	A CRO employing over 100 people with a passion for clinical research, where the culture is about exceeding expectations.
Monash Oncology Research Institute	Hospital	Monash Oncology Research Institute was responsible for the conduct of 30 actively recruiting clinical trials from Phase 1 to Phase 3: pharmaceutical company sponsored, collaborative group and investigator driven. The tumour types involved were breast, colorectal, gastric, pancreas, brain, lung, prostate and ovarian. These trials gave the opportunity for Southern Health cancer patients to participate in cutting edge treatments for their disease.
Novartis Healthcare Private Ltd	Pharmaceutical Company running trials	Pharmaceutical Company running trials
Optimus Pharma Consulting	CRO, Training Provider	Drug and Device Development Services (Clinical and Regulatory Services)
Emeritus Research	Medical research institute	Emeritus Research is a dedicated research with over 10 years experience coordinating clinical trials in all therapeutic areas. Currently coordinating 35 studies.
The George Institute	Medical research institute	Conducts academic and industry-sponsored clinical trials

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Woolcock Institute of Medical Research	Medical research institute	International centre of excellence - Institute committed to finding the causes, prevention, diagnosis and better treatment of respiratory diseases and sleep disorders for the many people who suffer from long term, life threatening and disabling conditions.