

Your gift of
hope to future
generations



You can stop
disease before
it starts



A gift in your Will is a gift for generations to come

The generosity of donors like you is transforming the future of human health at an incredible rate. Who would have thought diagnostic tests that used to take days can now provide instant results? Or we would now have effective treatments for diseases that were thought to be incurable as recently as a decade ago?

Ground-breaking advancements such as these take years of expert work and do not happen without the underpinning of fundamental knowledge. We must first gain a better understanding of disease – the causes and effects, the intricacies and complexities, the threats and predictors – before we can develop a cure.

Only then can we deliver life-changing – and life-saving – results.

I am deeply honoured that so many thoughtful supporters have chosen to remember the Centenary Institute in their Will.

By leaving money, property or a percentage of your estate in your Will to the Centenary Institute, you will be joining this special group of supporters that play a crucial role in safeguarding our future capabilities ensuring that the important progress our scientists are making today can continue until a treatment or cure is found.

You will help change the lives of future generations.

We recommend consulting a solicitor for specific advice when preparing your Will, but if you are ready to draft it, our team will be delighted to help you with suggestions of convenient online options and appropriate wording.

We also would like to hear from you once you have left a gift in your Will to the Centenary Institute. Knowing about your gift will help us to plan more confidently for the future, and I would be very pleased to have the opportunity to thank you personally for your generous support.

Every gift, no matter the amount, makes a difference. By leaving this special gift, you can transform the health of future generations.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Pellegrini', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Professor Marc Pellegrini
Executive Director, Centenary Institute



At Centenary, we are dedicated to accelerating life saving research that will create a healthier future for all

Our scientists are some of the very best in their fields who are dedicated to discovering cures and treatments for patients and their families across our key focus areas.

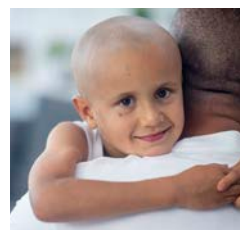
Biomedical AI

By harnessing the positive power of AI we are unlocking discoveries and fast-tracking lifesaving breakthroughs.



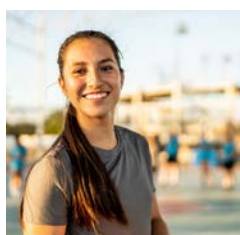
Cancer Innovations

We are deciphering how our cells become cancerous and developing new ways to prevent, detect and treat those cells.



Cardiovascular Research

Our scientists are translating precision medicine to improve the care of families with inherited heart disease and sudden cardiac death; and optimising cardiac screening for athletes.



Healthy Ageing

We are investigating the mechanisms that drive cellular ageing so that we can create more effective treatments and prevent diseases such as Alzheimer's, sarcopenia and liver disease.



Infection and Immunity

Our scientists investigate how our body's immune defences respond to infection and immune-mediated diseases to develop new preventions and treatments.



Inflammation

We are revealing how inflammation is managed in the body to advance the diagnosis and treatment of inflammatory diseases such as COPD, COVID-19, severe asthma and cystic fibrosis.

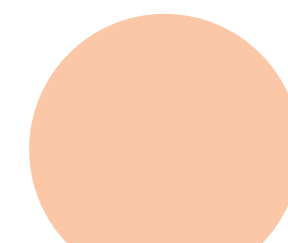


Rare Diseases and Gene Therapy

Our scientists improve the lives of people with rare cardiovascular, blood and cancer diseases by discovering ways to fast-track diagnosis and developing new treatments.



For more information on making a gift to Centenary in your Will please contact us on 1800 677 977 or giftsinwills@centenary.org.au





“It really is the simple things, having a coffee with my wife and reading to my kids” – Rhys

Together, we can help everyone enjoy a longer and healthier life

In 2013, Rhys was told he had just months to live. He was dying from a disease he didn't even know he had.

At age 35, Rhys had a lot to live for. He was a loving husband, a father of three young children and had a successful career as an anaesthetist. One morning Rhys drove himself to the emergency department with abdominal pain. He discovered he had stage four melanoma that had metastasised to his brain, lungs and abdomen.

The diagnosis came as a shock because he had no noticeable symptoms and the skin cancer showed no visible primary site, making self-detection impossible.

Having been told the median survival rate for someone presenting with the same symptoms was between three to four months, Rhys endured many surgeries and a series of radiotherapy treatments to try to control the disease.

Rhys was fortunate to be accepted into a clinical trial being run by his treating clinician – also Head of the Centenary Institute's Melanoma Oncology and Immunology Program. Remarkably, the tumours began to shrink after four weeks. Though Rhys has needed additional treatment, he has great faith in medical research and the future development of new drugs to prolong his life further.



With your support, we can help create a brighter future for all

When Michael and Emily found out they were expecting their first child, they were overjoyed. The night before the first scan Michael went out to play volleyball.

Emily received a call from one of Michael's teammates to say he had collapsed. By the time she arrived at the hospital, a police officer was waiting for her with the devastating news that Michael had died on the court of a fatal cardiac arrest.

Researchers at our Agnes Ginges Centre for Molecular Cardiology were able to identify the genes responsible for Michael's death – information that can be immediately translated to determine if his twin girls are at risk.

This cutting-edge research will enable more accurate and earlier diagnosis of genetic heart disease, and for potentially lifesaving strategies to be initiated to prevent sudden death.



With your support, a treatment or cure is within reach

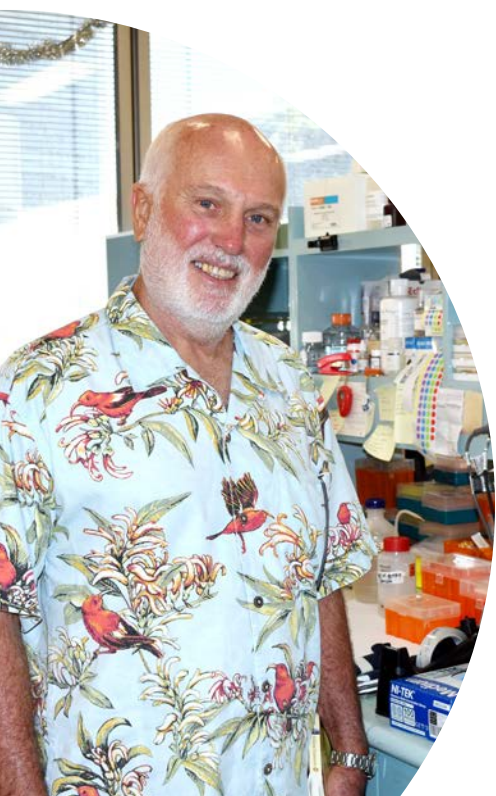
Your legacy is a lasting gift to future generations

Many of us have the desire to make a difference in the world, to leave it better than we found it. That is exactly what Steve intends to do and encourages others to join him.

"I believe in giving back to the community and encourage others to contribute to the Centenary Institute, both now and in the form of a bequest. It's essential that Centenary's efforts are supported for the wellbeing of humans into the future. A bequest means, even after you are gone, you can still contribute to a better and healthier world."

If you are considering leaving a gift, Steve highly recommends visiting the Institute in person. "Centenary's work is at the cutting edge of medical research. I have really enjoyed the opportunities to meet with the scientists and to hear about their achievements and initiatives."

For more information on visiting the Institute, please contact us on 1800 677 977 or giftsinwills@centenary.org.au



"A bequest means that even after you are gone, you can still contribute to a better and healthier world" – Steve



What you do today can change the future forever

Professor Jenny Gamble
Head, Gamble Laboratory, Centre for Healthy Ageing

With your support, we can develop lifesaving treatments that will keep families together for longer

Marion enjoyed her time living on a large cattle property in Lilydale, Victoria with her only son, Geoff. When Geoff grew up, he pursued a career in academia and moved to London. There, he married and had two children of his own. Marion was proud of her son – he was a doting father who enjoyed spending time with his two sons, camping and teaching them to fish.

Everything changed the day that Geoff went to get a mole on his ankle checked by his doctor.

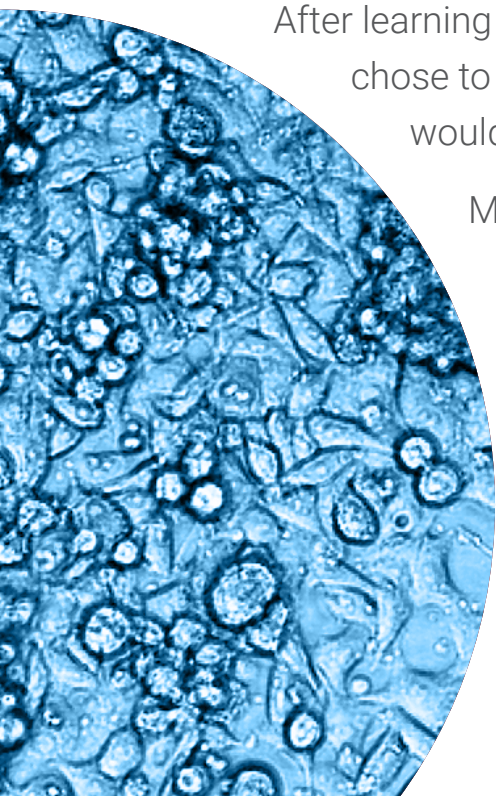
Marion was devastated to learn that Geoff had been diagnosed with melanoma which had spread to his lungs, brain and other areas of his body. As Geoff's condition worsened, Marion flew to London to be with him. He passed away eight days later.

Marion shared that she never thought she would outlive her son and that “no parent should ever have to survive their children.”

After learning about Centenary's research into melanoma, Marion chose to include Centenary in her Will in the hope that research would spare another family from a similar tragic loss.

Marian's generosity has helped our researchers take the lead in developing a promising new class of drug that may prove to be highly effective for the treatment of certain cases of melanoma.

Our scientists are dedicated to conducting ground-breaking research that will create a healthier future for all





Getting started

When making a Will, the first priority is to talk to your loved ones about your intentions and let them know that leaving a gift to medical research is important to you. This can help to ensure that your personal legacy and wishes will be met.

Your bequest will depend on your personal and family circumstances and it is important to seek independent and professional advice. Following that, it's easy to make a bequest to the Centenary Institute. You can either include the bequest when you write or update your Will, or simply add one as a codicil to your existing Will.

There are a number of ways you can make a bequest to the Centenary Institute:

- **A residual gift:** the remainder of your estate after specific gifts have been disbursed to family and loved ones.
- **A percentage:** you can choose to leave a percentage of the residue of your estate, or a percentage of your entire estate. This allows for growth or depreciation in the value of your estate.
- **A specified gift of cash:** Also known as a pecuniary bequest or gift.
- **An asset:** this could be real estate, shares, stocks, bonds, artwork, jewellery or other personal property.

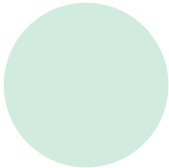
Wording in your Will

Here is our suggested wording if you choose to update your Will to include a gift to the Centenary Institute. You can share this wording with your solicitor.

"I give and bequeath to the Centenary Institute Medical Research Foundation, ABN 85 778 244 012 free from all taxes and duties, for their general purposes:

- the residue of my estate (OR)
- ____% of my residuary estate (OR)
- the sum of \$____ (OR)
- list of asset or assets

A receipt from the Executive Director or other authorised person shall be a complete and sufficient discharge for the executor."



Our promise to you

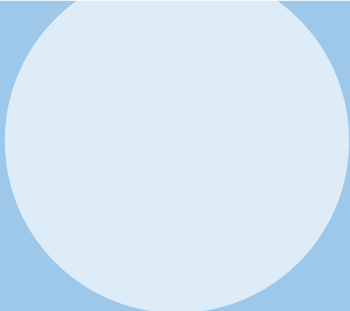
We understand that this is a significant decision for you and your family, and one that we want you to feel happy with. That is why we make the following promises to our bequestors:

- We recognise and appreciate your Will is personal to you, and that your loved ones always come first.
- We will always respect your right to privacy.
- We will communicate openly and honestly, and answer your questions quickly.
- We will not put you under pressure; this is an important decision to be made in your own time.
- If you do choose to let us know that you have included a gift to Centenary in your Will, we will keep you informed on the impact your gift will have.
- With your permission, we will acknowledge and recognise your generosity.
- We will use your gift carefully and efficiently so that it makes the greatest impact possible on our research.
- You have the right to change your mind at any time.

We would welcome hearing from you. Our team are happy to answer questions you may have in a confidential discussion.

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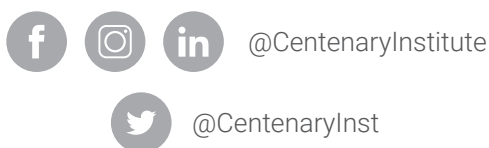
Thank you

Please let us know if we can answer any questions
or provide further information.

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