

AGHA-AMDF Genetic Testing Partnership

We are pleased to announce that, in partnership with the [Australian Genomics Health Alliance](#) (AGHA), a new research opportunity for people with suspected mitochondrial disease has become available.

Through this research project, individuals who meet the appropriate entry criteria can gain access to state-of-the-art genetic testing for mitochondrial disease. The purpose of this study is to evaluate new molecular technologies (tests) which look for changes in your DNA (genetic code) responsible for causing mitochondrial disease. The results of this study will help determine the most effective approach to the diagnosis of mitochondrial disease and will hopefully aid earlier intervention and improved outcomes for patients and families with these disorders.

[Click here](#) for more information.

This Australia-wide project will run for about 18 months. To be eligible you will need to be referred to one of the following specialist clinics to see if you meet the entry criteria for the study:

South Australia and the Northern Territory

Dr Nick Smith – paediatric referrals

Department of Neurology and Clinical Neurophysiology

You will need a referral from a neurologist or specialist paediatrician to visit this clinic.

Level 2, Clarence Rieger Building
Women's and Children's Hospital
72 King William Road
North Adelaide, SA, 5006

Email: nicholas.smith@health.sa.gov.au

Phone: +61 (0)8 8161 7308

Fax: +61 (0)8 8161 6224

Dr Janice Fletcher – adult referrals

You will need a referral from your GP with all details of prior investigations included

Clinical Director, Genetics & Molecular Pathology
SA Pathology
Margaret Graham Building

Royal Adelaide Hospital
North Terrace, Adelaide, SA 5000

Level 4, Clarence Rieger Building
Women's and Children's Hospital
72 King William Road
North Adelaide, SA, 5006

Email: janice.fletcher@sa.gov.au

Queensland

Professor David Coman – paediatric and adult referrals

You will need a referral from a neurologist or specialist paediatrician to visit this clinic

Lady Cilento Hospital
501 Stanley Street
South Brisbane QLD 4101

Wesley Hospital
451 Coronation Drive
Auchenflower QLD 4066

Email: david.coman@health.qld.gov.au

Email: enquiries@drdavidcoman.com.au

Victoria and Tasmania

Dr Joy Lee – paediatric referrals

Only referrals by a GP or paediatric sub-specialist will be accepted at this clinic.

Department of Metabolic Medicine
The Royal Children's Hospital
50 Flemington Road
Parkville, VIC, 3052

Phone: (03) 93456251
Fax Number: (03) 93456740
Email: metabolic@rch.org.au

Professor Martin Delatycki – adult referrals

You will need a referral from your GP with all details of prior investigations included

Referrals can be sent to:

Melanie O’Loughlin
AGHA Associate Genetic Counsellor
Murdoch Childrens Research Institute
The Royal Children’s Hospital
50 Flemington Road
Parkville, VIC, 3052

Western Australia

Professor Phillipa Lamont – adult referrals

You will need a referral from your GP with all details of prior investigations included

WA Neurogenetic Service
Royal Perth Hospital
197 Wellington Street
Perth, WA, 6000

Phone: (08) 9224 3353

Dr Maina Kava – paediatric referrals

A referral must come from a paediatric neurologist with all details of prior investigations included.

Princess Margaret Hospital
1 Roberts Road
Subiaco, WA, 6008

Phone switchboard: (08) 93408222



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New South Wales and the ACT

Dr Shanti Balasubramaniam – paediatric referrals

Only referrals by a specialist paediatrician or paediatric sub-specialty will be accepted at this clinic

Genetic Metabolic Disorders Service
Children's Hospital at Westmead
170 Hawkesbury Road
Westmead, NSW, 2145

Phone: (02) 9845 3654

Adult referrals

Information about adult referrals in Sydney will be provided shortly. Please contact AMDF on (02) 8033 4113 for more information.