



Sydney Cancer Partners congratulates members who were recently awarded Career Support Fellowships.

Career Development Fellows

- **A/Prof Yu Heng Lau.** School of Chemistry, Faculty of Science. *"Developing targeted therapies for gliomas by peptide-assisted fragment optimisation."*
- **A/Prof Daniel Steffens.** Central Clinical School, Faculty of Medicine & Health. *"Supportive multimodal approach to accelerate recovery following cancer surgery."*

Early Career Fellows

- **Dr Nicki Meagher.** The Daffodil Centre. *"Aspirin use and the tumour immune microenvironment for improved ovarian cancer outcomes."*
- **Dr Nicholas Hindley.** Image X Institute. *"Maximising access while minimising toxicity with adaptive lung cancer radiation therapy."*
- **Dr Rebecca Simpson.** Melanoma Institute Australia. *"Targeting microbiome-immune crosstalk to improve immune checkpoint inhibitor immunotherapy outcomes."*
- **Dr Emma Charters.** Chris O'Brien Lifehouse. *"Restoring function following jaw reconstruction in patients with oral cancer."*
- **Dr David Chan.** Northern Clinical School. *"Unraveling the complexity of serial PET imaging in neuroendocrine neoplasms."*
- **Dr Chandrima Sengupta.** Image X Institute. *"The next generation of tumour targeting technology: Halving toxicity and treatment time with real-time adaptive liver cancer radiation therapy."*
- **Dr Michaela Hall.** The Daffodil Centre. *"Equity and optimisation of cervical cancer prevention in women living with HIV: Advancing methods, impact and accessibility."*

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PRIZES AND AWARDS

Sydney Cancer Partners congratulates members who have recently been recognised with the following awards.

Dr Cindy Tan. Researcher of the Year, NSW Health Excellence in Allied Health

Congratulations to Dr Cindy Tan who was awarded ‘**Researcher of the Year**’ at the NSW Health Excellence in Allied Health Awards. Cindy is a dedicated clinician-researcher delivering high quality student supervision and research aiming to improve patient outcomes.

Dr Nicki Meagher. Penny Taylor Prize for Research Excellence in Ovarian Cancer

Nicki was recognised for her work focussing on deepening our understanding of mucinous ovarian cancer. The Penny Taylor Prize was established in memory of Penny Taylor, a respected health economist and humanitarian who lost her life to ovarian cancer in 2014. Funded by her mother, Wendy, the prize recognises outstanding contributions to ovarian cancer research.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NSW Cancer Summit | 13-14 August | ICC Sydney

- Visit the [conference website](#) to submit an abstract and register for the Summit.
- Visit the SCP website to find out about our [Registration Support Scheme](#).
- Submit an EOI to participate as an [Abstract reviewer](#).

Cancer & Immunology Ideas Forum | 19 September | Save the date

Cancer Research Network Postgraduate Student Careers Event & Mentoring Program Launch | 12 May

- [More information](#)

Congratulations to Round 11 & 12

Conference Funding recipients



SCP awards conference travel funding to members to assist with expenses associated with travel to present their work at National or International conferences.

Congratulations to the following members who were awarded funding in rounds 11 & 12 for

conferences from January-June 2025.

- **Joachim Worthington.** Public Health Association Australia, Screening Conference, Sydney.
- **Tong Li.** SPIE Medical Imaging Conference, San Diego, USA.
- **Margaret-Ann Tait.** National Cancer Survivorship Conference, Melbourne.
- **Bora Kim.** National Cancer Survivorship Conference, Melbourne.
- **Kazzem Gheybi.** ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting, Los Angeles, USA.
- **Tiffany Li.** Multinational Association of Supportive Care in Cancer (MASCC) 2025 Annual Meeting, Seattle, USA.
- **Xinyu Bai.** AACR Annual Meeting 2025, Chicago, USA.
- **Brooke Nickel.** The 11th International Breast Density & Cancer Risk Assessment Workshop, Hawaii, USA.
- **Yun Chen.** 19th World Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care. Helsinki, Finland.

Read meeting reports from previous conference funding recipients [here](#).

Sydney Cancer Partners Funding Opportunities

NSW Cancer Summit Registration Support

SCP invites applications to support registration costs for members in two categories:

Category 1. Members who are the presenting author on an abstract submitted for oral or poster presentation.

Category 2. Nursing, Allied Health, Scientist or Clinical Trials staff members who are employed at an SHP-affiliated hospital or LHD. Abstract submission is not required for this category.

Registration support is also available for consumers engaged in research with SCP members.

[More information and apply.](#)

Consumer Reimbursement & Remuneration

We have established a process to help researchers engage with consumers by facilitating payment (honorarium) or reimbursement of costs incurred by consumers while engaging in research.

[More information and apply.](#)

Conference & Travel Funding

Applications for Conference & Travel funding Rounds 13 & 14 (July-December 2025) are now open. Funding is available to support members presenting at a national or international conference.

[More information and apply.](#)

Our primary goal is to support our members through career development, funding and education. We welcome feedback and suggestions on what members would like to see included in our program and communications. Please [get in touch](#) with us with comments, feedback or suggestions, we would be delighted to hear from you.

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