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# Dr Alex Swarbrick

Lab Head – Tumour Progression

# “Tumours as ecosystems”

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Alex received his PhD in 2003 from the University of New South Wales. He received a CJ Martin Travelling Fellowship from the NHMRC to conduct his post-doctoral training under the mentorship of Nobel laureate J Michael Bishop at the University of California, San Francisco. In 2008, Alex established the Tumour Progression Laboratory at the Garvan Institute, where his research is focused on the genetic drivers of carcinogenesis and cellular heterogeneity in breast & prostate cancer and the childhood cancer neuroblastoma. Alex also co-heads the Breast Translational Oncology Program in the Kinghorn Cancer Center and co-leads two national collaborative programs to collect, sequence and xenograft breast and prostate cancer metastases. He is the recipient of a number of awards and fellowships including the NSW Premier’s Award for Cancer Research (2011) and an NHMRC Career Development Fellowship II.