What is the Garvan Institute of Medical Research?

The Garvan Institute of Medical Research is a world leader in biomedical research, pioneering study into some of the most widespread diseases affecting our community today.

For more than 50 years, Garvan scientists have achieved significant breakthroughs in the understanding and treatment of diseases that impact most people during their lifetime, whether directly, or involving a family member or friend.

These include:

- eating disorders
- osteoporosis
- anorexia nervosa
- breast cancer
- rheumatoid arthritis
- Parkinson’s disease
- prostate cancer
- lung cancer
- rare diseases
- sarcoma
- hearing loss
- cancer
- obesity
- Alzheimer’s disease
- Type 2 diabetes
- mental illnesses
- multiple sclerosis
- intellectual disabilities
- bowel cancer
- Type 1 diabetes
- ovarian cancer
- asthma

Garvan’s dedicated staff of more than 650 scientists and PhD students strive to improve the way we diagnose, treat and ultimately prevent these major diseases. However, their ground-breaking research would not be possible if it weren’t for the financial support of the community and corporate Australia.

Become a Garvan Workplace Giving Donor

If your employer has a Workplace Giving program
You can begin your support today. Simply ask your Payroll Manager for a copy of your organisation’s Workplace Giving sign-up form, nominate your donation amount, and submit.

If your employer doesn’t have a Workplace Giving program
It’s easy to set up! Your payroll department can find out about the Workplace Giving payroll process by visiting www.ato.gov.au or by speaking to the Garvan Research Foundation.

If you would like to be kept up-to-date on Garvan’s ground-breaking research, or receive invitations to attend seminars and behind the scenes tours, please contact the Garvan Research Foundation.

For more information about supporting Garvan through Workplace Giving, please contact:
Garvan Research Foundation
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Email: wpg@garvan.org.au
As a donor, the benefits of participating in a Workplace Giving program with Garvan include:

**Hassle free donations**
Your donation is processed by your payroll department, so your tax benefit is immediate, meaning there is no need to collect your receipts to claim at tax time.

**Flexibility and Choice**
When you sign up for Workplace Giving you have the freedom to choose how much you would like to donate each pay. You can also choose which area of Garvan's breakthrough research you would like to support.

**Freedom**
Workplace Giving donations are anonymous, but sometimes that anonymity can leave you feeling left out in the cold. Garvan gives you the freedom to choose what kind of contact you would like to have with us.

**Regular Updates**
Your support is invaluable and we want to share our successes with you. Donors that ‘opt-in’ will receive regular updates on how their donations are changing the future of medicine.

**Invitations to seminars and behind-the-scenes tours**
At Garvan we love to show off what we do. Donors are welcomed at the Institute regularly throughout the year to hear from leading scientists and clinicians about the latest ground-breaking research, or take a behind the scenes tour of our stunning building and laboratories.

**But most importantly…**
Supporting Garvan’s researchers through Workplace Giving is your opportunity to support breakthrough medical research through a trustworthy and transparent donation program.

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**What is Workplace Giving?**
Workplace Giving, also known as Payroll Giving, is a simple way to make a regular pre-tax donation to a charitable organisation. Donations are processed automatically through the payroll department of your employer meaning that all you have to do is sign up to your organisation’s Workplace Giving program, then sit back and relax, knowing that your contribution is helping make a difference to medical research.

The best part of Workplace Giving is that the donation is made from your pre-tax income, so the tax deduction is immediate. For example, if you nominated a donation of $5 each pay cycle it would only cost you $3.50, because of the automatic tax deduction. Your chosen charity however receives the full $5.

If your employer chooses to dollar-match employee donations then your generosity goes even further.

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**How will my donation help the Garvan Institute of Medical Research?**
Garvan’s mission is to make significant contributions to medical research that will change the directions of science and medicine, and have major impacts on human health. To do this the Institute attracts, develops and supports exceptionally talented researchers and scientists. Regular Workplace Giving donations are critical to Garvan as they allow scientists to plan for, budget and develop essential medical research programs.

Your regular donation will help fund vital aspects of Garvan’s work, for example:
- Important clinical trials to test new medical treatments identified or developed at Garvan;
- Critical lab equipment, essential to carrying out breakthrough medical research;
- PhD students and research scholarships.

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**Non Matched Giving**
When you give... It only costs you $3.50... But Garvan will receive

- $5
- $1

**Matched Giving**
When you give... It only costs you $3.50... Your company matches your $5 So Garvan receives

- $5
- $1

* Based on an employee earning between $37,000 and $80,000 @ 1 July 2011. Excludes Medicare Levy.

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**$30 Scalpels**
Set of 20, Hundreds needed annually

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