



Finding

Multiple Solutions

to prevent, treat and cure MS

- **multiple sclerosis**, *n*: MS or 'multiple scarring' is an incurable, chronic, often disabling disease that randomly attacks and scars the protective insulation that surrounds nerve fibres (myelin) in the brain and spinal cord. The progress, severity and symptoms are different for everyone. Symptoms range from tingling and numbness to paralysis and blindness. MS is particularly devastating as the physical and emotional effects are so unpredictable.
- **multiple sclerosis research australia**, *n & v*: also known as msra, is an innovative organisation seeking donations, grants, corporate sponsorships and bequests to invest in the science required to establish the environmental, genetic and neurological origins of MS. This knowledge may lead to prevention strategies and improved treatments and ultimately a cure.





Today, while you read about Multiple Sclerosis Research Australia (MSRA), at least three more people will be hearing the news that they have the degenerative, autoimmune disease known as MS.

They are probably young people at their peak and are mostly women. They could be mothers, fathers, carers. They are likely to be employed and/or starting a family.

Their diagnosis will bring the total number of MS cases in Australia alone to over 17,000.

This number is on the rise. Pressure for research weighs heavy with the incidence increasing by 7% each year. This brings with it annually a direct cost in Australia of \$700m though a true estimate of the financial burden to the community is another \$1.3b (Access Economics 2005). That too is on the increase.

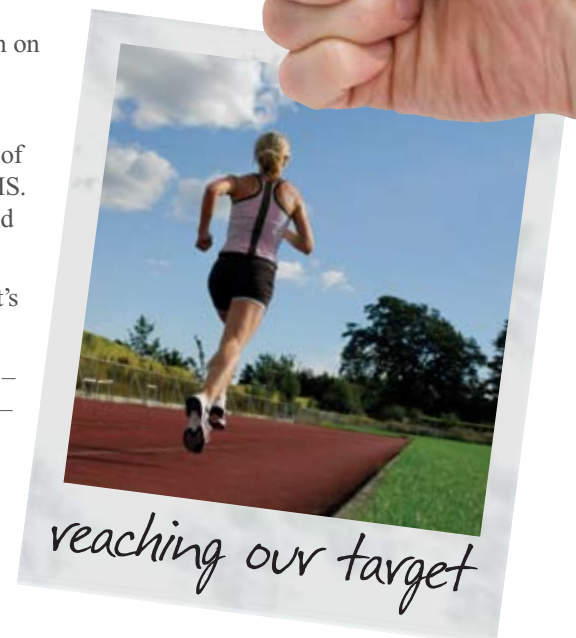
This is why MSRA was established in 2004 – to boost research, combat the impact of the disease and reduce the human suffering and financial burden on the community.

MSRA aims, in the short term, to improve diagnosis and identify ways of prevention and better treatment for MS. Long-term, it aims to find a cause and a cure.

When will that be? To some extent, it's up to you.

Everyone of us who contributes now – time, money, knowledge, experience – will change the future of MS and the lives of millions.

Join us as we seek
to find the answers ...



MS Research Australia

Despite the complexities in MS, much is now known about the disease and new treatments are being trialled. Many Australian researchers believe we are on the verge of vital discoveries if funds can be raised to support a compounded effort.



Precious research leads must be followed.

MSRA aims to back Australian research that will contribute most to the world-wide effort.

To do this it has two functions:

Raising funds

via corporate and public donations, bequests, grants from governments, private foundation gifts & sponsorships

Facilitating research

either by commissioning or supporting projects that are peer-evaluated by its (international) Research Review Board and Research Management Council.

MSRA aims to raise at least \$3 million for MS research every year for the next 10 years to achieve its goals. As the first organisation of its kind in Australia, the support already given demonstrates an endorsement across the community.



Funding sources

In its first two years MSRA has more than doubled research funding each year.

The sources of MSRA funding are varied and the amounts differ, from:

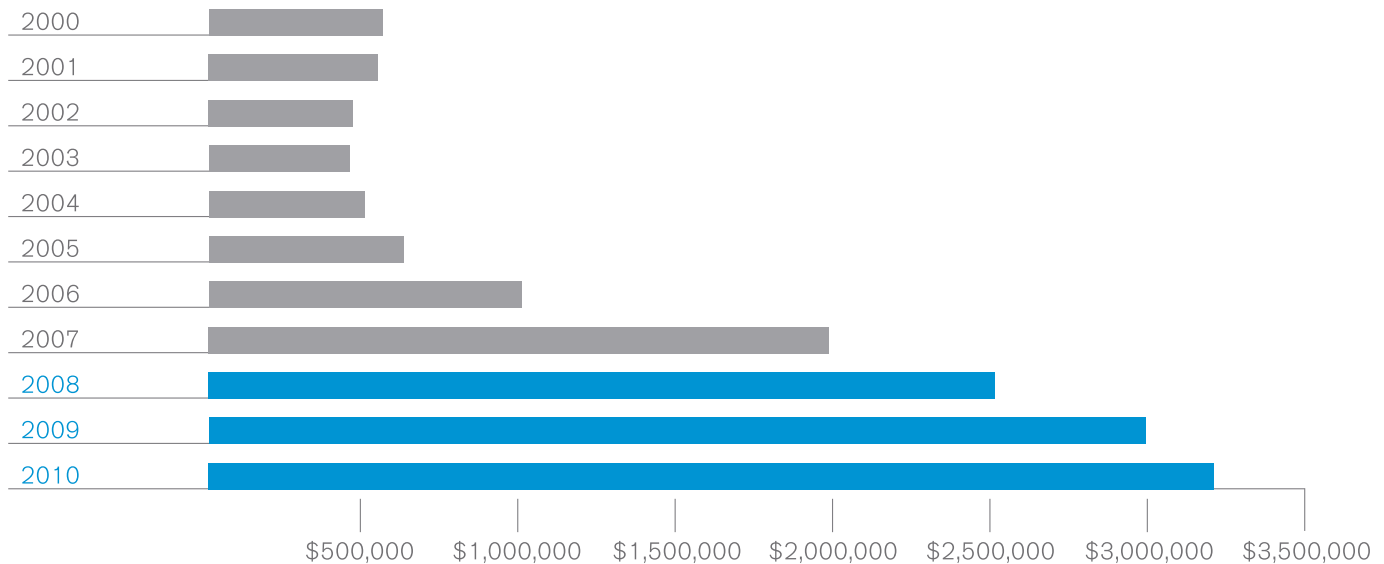
- generous corporate partners (e.g. Macquarie Bank Foundation, Blake Dawson Waldron)
- pharmaceutical industry support via an Industry Roundtable including Biogen Idec, Sanofi-aventis, Serono, Bayer Schering Pharma
- MS Societies in each state, and MS Australia
- major individual donations and grants from philanthropic Foundations
- the newly established Foundation 5 million – formed by a group of people with MS keen to have input into research decisions
- affiliated MS fundraising groups including the Trish MS Research Foundation and CharityWorks for MS
- individuals raising funds at art shows, trivia nights, gala dinners
- special grants such as the Federal Government's \$250,000 seed funding from the Department of Health and Ageing which supports MSRA administration each year
- a bequest Program via the Association of Financial Advisers
- leverage of funds via Commonwealth matching, eg National Health & Medical Research Council's 'Betty Cuthbert Scholarships & Fellowships'

They all contribute toward the same purpose. You can also.

To fast-track research results, MSRA steers new work and assesses existing projects on the basis of Australia's acknowledged research strengths and potential impact on the world-wide effort.



MS Australia/MS Research Australia – financial contribution to MS research in Australian Universities...2000 to 2007 (actuals) and projected to 2010:



Facilitating research



Keeping a focus on clear objectives is made possible through several broad operating principals:

- maintaining a **national research strategy** based on five interrelated streams of research. There is a combination of commissioned projects and investigator-driven programs
- encouraging scientists and medical specialists around Australia to collaborate as a **virtual centre** for MS research.
- ensuring **accountability** through excellent governance, contracts, audits and regular reporting

It's all about the **science**



The response from the scientific community has been enthusiastic.



Enthusiastic partnerships and input from the top medical research institutes in Australia have helped MSRA set-up a framework and steer its research goals.

There has already been a marked increase in shared knowledge.

MSRA has established 'virtual' research centres working in five research streams, examples of which are profiled on the following pages

- social and applied research – including the Australian MS Longitudinal Study (MS Life Study)
- genetics and epidemiology – including the Ausimmune Study and the MS Gene Bank, a platform that will enable MS gene mapping and gene expression (how genes influence the disease)

- neurobiology and immunology – including the MS Brain & Tissue Bank, a platform that will encourage a range of new human tissue research
- clinical trials, where MSRA aims to partner a network of neurologists, trialling new treatments. A patient register is also planned
- New Research Talent, encouraging postgraduate scholarships and postdoctoral fellowships, to inject new and creative thinking for research solutions

Interrelated projects backed by MSRA aim to capitalise on each other's results.

For example the Gene Mapping project will reveal predisposition to MS and identify people most likely to benefit from the prevention measures that may be derived from the Ausimmune study.

Meanwhile, results from the Gene Expression project on different people's reactions to different treatments will enable improved treatments and their applications that could be tested via the MS Life Study.

MSRA has advanced the traditional funding model by adding its national research strategy and streams which generate further goal-specific research projects.

For information about the selection criteria of research areas, visit www.msra.org.au

Tracking the achievements...



2003
First meeting of the Research Management Council

2003
Research Review Board members announced, including representatives from Cambridge and Mayo Institutes

2003
First meeting of Research Review Board

2004
MSRA and Australian research gained new audiences at the World Congress of Neurology

2004
Access Economics reports on economic impact of MS in Australia

2004
MSRA establishes three new research platforms

2004
Findings of the Ausimmune Study identify environmental factors in MS

2004
MS Gene Bank established as multi-centered program

2004
New stage in development of national research platforms – MS-specific Brain & Tissue Bank established

2005
Number of new scholarships & fellowships doubles to eight for the year

SCIENCE

May 2003
MS Societies agree to establishment of MS Research Australia

Oct 2004
MS Research Australia becomes operational



RESOURCES

Federal Government and Prime Minister Howard approve seed funding of \$250,000 from the Department of Health and Ageing



MS Trish Foundation holds major annual dinner donating first of many \$\$ to MSRA projects

Major grants from National MS Society of the US, over AU\$1m

Major grants from NHMRC reach \$1.6m

Inaugural Betty Cuthbert scholarships (MSRA and NHMRC)



Launch Foundation 5 Million – people with MS nationally, who want to fundraise and have input into research

Adult stem cell research legislation passed in both Houses

Established seven Major Corporate Partners

Launch MS Bequest program

First national awareness and fundraising day for MSRA



Scholarships to fast-track the **cure**

The Betty Cuthbert postgraduate scholarships and postdoctoral fellowships were established in partnership with the NHMRC.

In late 2006 eight new MS research scholarships and fellowships were awarded to candidates around Australia, double the highest previous number.

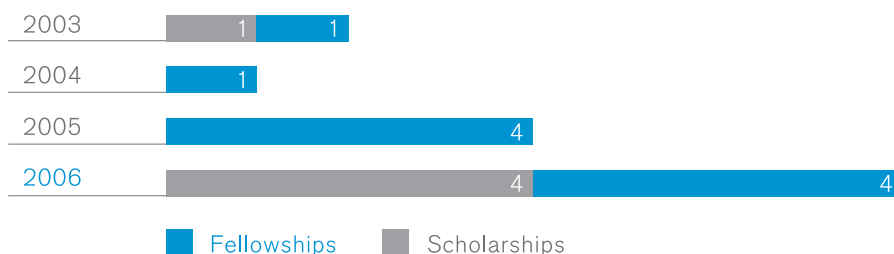
Two recipients were awarded Betty Cuthbert Fellowships in 2006 – one is now able to continue his work into optic neuritis (a common symptom of MS) and another who will be looking at measuring brain inflammation in people with MS.

Another postgraduate scholarship is on offer from the Trish MS Research Foundation (so named after elite sportswoman Trish Langsford, who died at aged 30 from MS). The scholarship can be applied for through MSRA.

Project grants are also available for researchers whose projects come within MSRA guidelines and priorities.

All details about scholarships and grants can be viewed at www.msra.org.au

Scholarships and Fellowships awarded for MS research



Golden Girl

Betty Cuthbert AM was once the fastest woman sprinter in the world and Australia’s ‘Golden Girl’.

But the four-time Olympic gold medal winner shows not even star athletes are invincible.

Betty Cuthbert developed MS in 1981 and now moves in a wheelchair. Yet she still makes her way around the country to speak to leaders in politics and business on behalf of people with MS.

And she says her support of Australian MS fundraisers and researchers is among her finest achievements.



'I read somewhere that just \$2.50 from every Australian might be enough to find a cure to MS – I found that amazing,' said Vickki Elliott.

Motivated by that idea Vickki, who was diagnosed with MS in 2000, organised an art auction in Brisbane with friends, some with and some without MS. They collected works from 60 artists, publicised the event, invited 450 guests and raised \$53,000 for MS Research Australia.

Once she became aware of MS, Vickki was surprised how many people are affected by it.

'Suddenly everyone we spoke to had a cousin, brother or sister with MS, or knew someone who had MS.'

She has been working on her health, ever mindful of her young family. In 2007, pregnant with her third child, she felt fundraising would take a back seat for a while. But she still believes more fundraising, and therefore a cure, are waiting in the wings.

'There's light at the end of the tunnel – I think if scientists can get the money to do their work then they'll understand more to develop a cure.'



F5m
Foundation 5 Million

People who understand MS...

● Ian Ballard with the Hon Dr Brendan Nelson

Vickki is exemplary of the personal power of many people with MS. In more numbers than ever, they are getting mobilised into action to change the course of their disease.

This is now partly due to Foundation 5 million (www.F5m.org.au) started by Ian Ballard for this very purpose – that the MS community pool their efforts and resources towards finding a cure. 'To do it for ourselves and to have some input into where research money is directed. If everyone with MS in Australia raised just \$300 at a trivia night or raffle, then we would have some \$5 million.'

Total so far... close to \$1,000,000.



● F5m champ Vickki Elliott

Wish list...

Let's be clear about what we want...



FREEDOM from MS

An oral MS treatment **NO MORE NEEDLES!**

A WONDER drug that halts the disease progression

STEM CELL therapy that repairs the nerve cells and restores lost body functions

A DIAGNOSTIC TEST for my children, that hopefully confirms they won't get it

More assured **SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT** regimes so that I can plan my day and my week

PHYSIOTHERAPY that helps restore my mobility

HEALTH advice about Vitamin D and its potential to help prevent MS

A BREAKTHROUGH treatment that works consistently for all my patients

A profile... by degrees

How do environmental factors influence immune diseases? The Ausimmune Study, the first of its kind in the world, looked at this question and how immune disorders might vary by latitude around Australia.



Researchers at Australian National University, headed by Prof Anne-Louise Ponsonby and Dr Robyn Lucas, found revealing results. Among the many complex factors, the distance a person lives from the equator can have quite an impact on the incidence of MS.

In the Australian context this means there's a significant increase in the rate of MS moving from Queensland to Tasmania. This suggests a link between MS and lower exposure to the sun at critical stages, as the skin produces most of our vitamin D by exposure to sunlight.

One study indicates there may be a role for supplemental Vitamin D intake.

Results from the Tasmanian MS case-control study also suggest that higher exposure to infant siblings in the first six years of life was protective for the development of MS, possibly by increasing early exposure to infectious illnesses.

The three year study included collaboration of universities and medical centres in Brisbane, Newcastle, Geelong (Melbourne) and Tasmania and involved



○ Professor Anne-Louise Ponsonby

approximately 1,800 people. It was funded by the National MS Society of the US, MSRA, MS Society of Tasmania and the NHMRC.

Doing it for hiMSelf

Ian has three kids, a good job as commercial director for a media company and his recent travels included Germany to watch the Socceroos in 2006. He has lived with MS for 14 years.

'Before I had MS, I didn't know much about it. Nowadays I know too much about it.'

Ian is the founder of Foundation 5 million (F5m) which mobilised people with MS to support research. His idea is that if 2,000 people with MS raised \$2,500 each this means a total of \$5 million.

'F5m also shows that many people with MS remain capable and continue to make an active contribution to today's society ... and the future.'

'A cure would mean I don't have to inject myself daily, I could move with ease and without pain,' said Ian who makes the most of an electric scooter. Maybe it won't happen in my lifetime.'

It is a debilitating disease though in most cases people with MS still live life very well.

○ Ian Ballard



Putting our minds to it

The development of a national MS-specific brain and tissue bank, with the University of Sydney and the National Neural Tissue Resource Centre, will allow the Australia-wide study of MS tissue.



Like an organ donation it has the potential to save lives by furthering the understanding of the disease. And just like organ donation the tissue must be obtained as soon as possible. Even young people with MS are encouraged to register as a donor, whether they might die prematurely or from natural causes later in life.

Dr Peter Patrikios is the new Director, working with Prof John Pollard and Prof John Prineas, both world renowned researchers in MS.

Interested donors should discuss their decision with their family, as next of kin need to give consent.

Research on brain material is already conducted in Australia, to study Parkinson's, Alzheimer's and motor neurone disease, all of which have their own brain bank programs. Medical institutions, with established ethics committees oversee research projects and ensure correct procedures are followed.

The University of Sydney's brain donor program has already had a number of high profile individuals pledge to donate their brain once they pass away – former Prime Minister Gough Whitlam and Dr Karl Kruszelnicki are two of their most well known supporters.

For enquiries please call MSRA on 1300 356 467.

● Sarah Ross-Smith and son Xavier



What tomorrow brings

At 34, with a young family and on the eve of becoming a partner in a major law firm, Sarah Ross-Smith was told her health queries were explained by MS.

The diagnosis meant she did not take the partnership though she still works with the firm as well as volunteering with F5m to raise awareness and funds for MSRA.

Sarah began speaking on behalf of MSRA in boardrooms. She introduced business people to the challenges of the disease, the possibilities of research and encouraged donations.

'When you've got a disease like this, anything can happen to you. It affects your central nervous system, so it's multi-dimensional – one day you have mobility problems and the next you can't see. It's the uncertainty that gets to you.'

'Fundraising gives some control. It's empowering. Research offers an intangible but potent weapon: hope. Hope that I will not have to use a wheelchair so soon or suffer from cognitive impairment so I can't help my son one day with his HSC.'

Sarah's young son Xavier often comes to events with her and is very aware of MS.

'He went through a phase where he wouldn't let me touch him – he thought MS was contagious. I hope, when he's old enough to have an in-depth conversation about it, that a drug will have been discovered that will dramatically improve our lives.'

Time to tell it **like it is**

How honest are most people when asked 'how are you'? It appears most hide the reality of their true situation, holding back on complaining, even to their doctor.

● Dr Rex Simmons



A study supported by MSRA looked at the everyday lives of people with MS – a Life Study (the Australian MS Longitudinal Study). It tracked responses over three years indicating that people fail to reveal how they really are. It noted there was a discrepancy in what people told their carers and what they reported anonymously.

Some feel it's better not to complain. Yet revealing all information might be more useful to treatment – assessing stages, reviewing pharmaceuticals or dosage and managing care.

Project Manager for the Study, Dr Rex Simmons at Canberra Hospital says that at the more severe levels of disability, where immobility and other difficulties cannot be hidden, doctors and patients will make similar assessments. 'In the lesser categories of disability, patients have admitted to having more difficulties than their doctors' reports indicate.'

Why might Australians with MS be reluctant to talk to their doctors, and presumably other health professionals? And, are doctors asking sufficiently probing questions of their MS patients?

Dr Simmons is now asking over 2,800 participants with MS for their suggestions and collating these into appropriate recommendations.

● Todd and Kerri Cameron



A 15-strong family team keeps Todd Cameron going. His family not only helps with his daily life but also readily step up to fundraising work.

When Todd was hospitalised for a week, just ahead of a trivia night he and his family had spent months organising, the

Families and carers...

team made sure the event went ahead as planned. Todd even managed a leave-ticket from hospital to attend the night. It raised thousands of dollars.

The AMP Foundation donated \$10,000 through its incentive plan – to match the first \$10,000 raised for charity by employees of AMP Financial Planners.

Todd is now working part-time although retired. 'I'd rather have retired at 56 than 36'.

He believes the community doesn't fully understand the degenerative nature of MS – that a scooter or wheelchair doesn't always solve all the problems of MS and that more and more support is often needed as time goes on.

'People need to understand that MS affects a wider group than the person with the disease. In my case – with a wife who is a fantastic carer – it still affects 14 other people who all do their bit.'

Science – you can bank your genes on it

○ Dr Justin Rubio

Scientific research can be a game of numbers. The larger the sample size you work with, the more reliable your results.



In research, bigger really is better. What is found in large samples is more likely to be real and not part of random chance.

That's the impetus behind the formation of MSRA's Gene Bank – a world first for MS! It brings together a large number of DNA samples from six leading medical research facilities: The Howard Florey Institute, Westmead Millenium Institute, Melbourne, Griffith and Newcastle Universities and the University of Tasmania.

Dr Justin Rubio of the Howard Florey Institute now coordinates the MS Gene Bank. It functions as a 'virtual bank' with actual samples remaining with the institutions that collected them and all recorded in a central database. A researcher is then able to search for samples appropriate to a study across the holdings of all the collaborating institutions: around 3,000 samples.

Collection of the DNA samples – a precious and finite resource – follows ethical procedures in the process of

making the samples accessible to other researchers.

Dr Rubio suggests that key members from each institute will review applications to the Gene Bank. It is sure to create a focus for other groups to get involved.

'It would be great if other Australian groups with the capacity for patient recruitment, clinical assessment and sample collection could also come on board,' he said.

Children live the adult disease, too

○ Lina Marrocco

Lina Marrocco and friends were ordinary people doing extraordinary things as they raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne.

That was before Lina was diagnosed with MS. So CharityWorks for Kids became CharityWorks for MS and kept on running a fabulous ball every second year, with 2006 being sold out to raise a whopping \$147,000 in one night.

The money went largely to gene mapping research, a priority project for MSRA and a field in which Lina's neurologist, Dr Helmut Butzkueven, has championed with Dr Justin Rubio at the Howard Florey Institute. Although MS is an adult disease, Lina doesn't believe she has switched her fundraising away from children.

'I have the disease but my two young children and husband have to live it too.'



Including the kids

'I hope a cure will come in my children's lifetime and they will know how lucky they are that they have grown with a sense of philanthropy – because the feeling of giving is one of the most precious things you can have.'

Board and review groups

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Dr Bill Carroll

Currently Head, Neurology Department, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, Perth, WA. Chair MSRA's, Research Management Council and Research Review Board, past President, Australian Association of Neurologists.

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Director of MS New South Wales from 1973, served as President 1976-79 and again 2000-2001 and elected Chairman of MS Australia 2001. He was formerly Chairman, Vice President and Managing Director Nacco Materials Handling Group Pty Ltd.

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Financial Performance

Below are the summaries of our income and expenditure from audited accounts for the first two years of operation – 2005 and 2006.

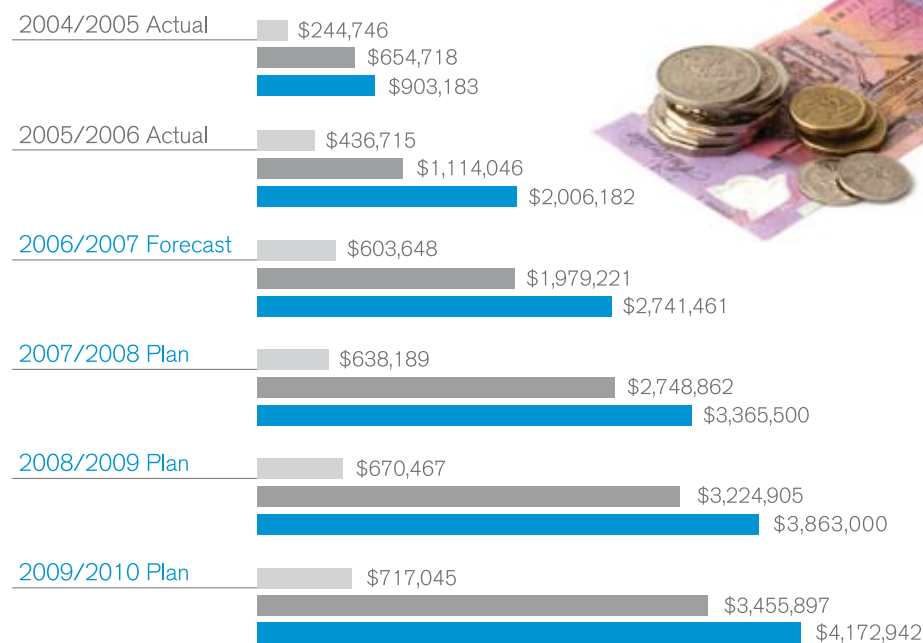
We have also included our forecast performance for 2007 as an indication of what we expect to achieve.

Importantly we are increasing the allocation to research from the MS Community, by up to 4 times previous levels – from around \$500,000 in 2004, prior to MSRA being formed, to a level of nearly \$2 million in 2007.

The graph indicates this performance over a number of years:

- Total Administration
- MS Research Allocation
- Fundraising & Other Income

MS Research Australia – Income vs Research Allocation – projected to 2010:



INCOME

	2004/05 Actuals \$	2005/06 Actuals \$	2006/07 Forecast \$
State MS Society contributions	500,000	540,000	548,000
Corporate Partners & Round Table (Pharmaceutical Coys)	107,500	491,500	494,700
Foundations and Individual Donors	26,780	564,891	919,769
Commonwealth Govt (Dept. Health & Ageing)	250,000	250,000	250,000
Foundation 5 Mill. 'Retail' Fundraising		126,633	469,157
Interest Received	18,903	33,158	59,835
EXTERNAL INCOME	903,183	2,006,182	2,741,461

EXPENDITURE

Research & Facilitation:

Social and Applied Research	247,000	146,000	192,245
Genetics & Epidemiology	133,000	416,000	838,500
Neurobiology & Immunology	250,000	329,500	656,500
Clinical Trials Network		53,000	20,000
Capacity Building – Scholarships & Fellowships		51,500	118,512
Total Basic Research Expenditure	630,000	996,000	1,825,757
Research Facilitation Expenses	24,718	118,046	153,464
Total MS research allocation	654,718	1,114,046	1,979,221

Administration:

Salaries & related expenses	115,101	226,860	351,510
Accounting, Audit, Legal & Consultant Fee	18,245	86,700	67,000
Public Relations & Printing	58,728	72,016	134,672
Other Expenses, eg. Travel, Recruitment, Postage	47,595	35,966	36,583
Telephone, Computers & Internet (Website)	5,077	15,173	13,883
Total Admin & Fundraising Campaign	244,746	436,715	603,648
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	899,464	1,550,762	2,582,869
% administration / income	27.10%	21.77%	22.02%
Assigned to the MS Research Investment Fund	3,719	455,421	158,592

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- Alma Hazel Eddy Trust
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Donations of \$100,000+

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Apply for a research grant or scholarship

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