> “The basis of good medicine is good science”

Professor Peter McCluskey AO
President RANZCO

2026 IMPACT REPORT

AUSTRALIAN VISION RESEARCH
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This is a snapshot of the productivity and impact of grants supported by AVR from 2012 to 2021.

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$42.9M distributed for ophthalmic research since inception*

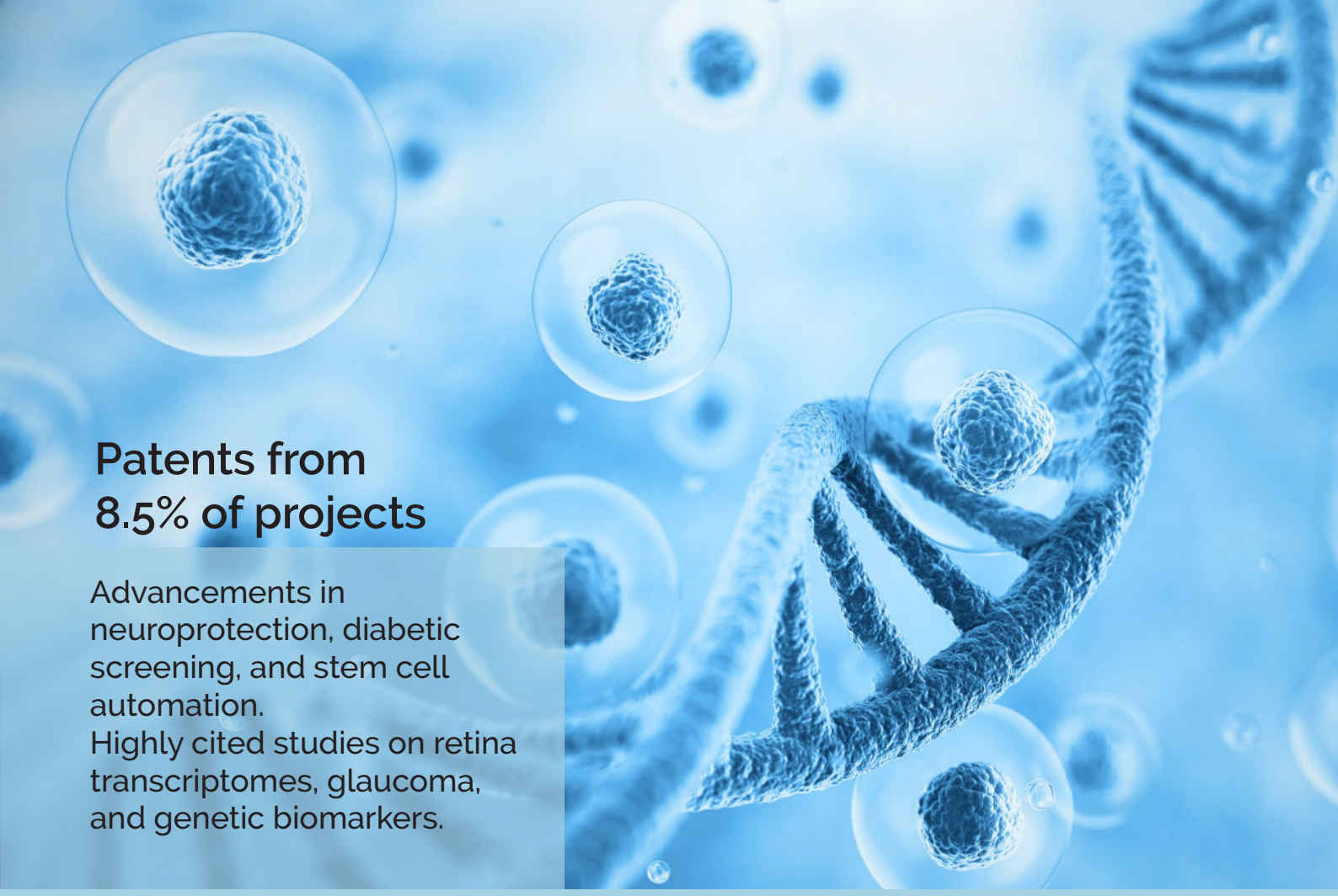
54% of researchers secured additional funding, including from NHMRC.

21 Citations per paper on average.

56% Publication success rate.

1.25 Articles per grant.

27.3 publications generated per $1M invested



Patents from 8.5% of projects

Advancements in neuroprotection, diabetic screening, and stem cell automation.
Highly cited studies on retina transcriptomes, glaucoma, and genetic biomarkers.

Research Type Distribution

77% Basic Sciences

18% Clinical Medicine

5% Health Services

Specialties Funded

46.6% Retina

23.7% Glaucoma

11.5% Cornea/External Diseases

Equality

46% of our grants are awarded to female researchers.

45% female representation in our Board of Directors.

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Professor Stephanie Watson OAM
Chair, Australian Vision Research

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