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### **Overview**

The organisational structure of Medical Imaging is designed to support research, with research and education being one of the pillars of the Department, along with quality of care and service work.

The Director of Medical Imaging endorses research and wholly supports the work of the Director of Research, who promotes research as a desirable and necessary activity across all streams.

Funding, acquired through the successful acquisition of service revenue, has been invested in research personnel with key posts including, a Research Development Officer, part-time Research Nurse and one SHO level researcher.

The research division is active in maintaining the culture of research in the Department with regular newsletters, research presentations, journal clubs and other educational activities, managed by a steering group including radiology, radiography, nursing and administration streams.

In addition the radiography stream has been successful in acquiring external funding for educational positions and activities.

Key achievements for 2011:

- 14 publications
- Extended DMI collaborative network. Research projects with QBI, UQCCR, UQ, CAI and QUT
- Coordinating site for INR National Research Collaborative
- Completion of the IVC Filter (Crux) and PERI (Bayer)studies
- 25 active studies
- 35 ongoing studies.

# Executive and directing staff

- Adj. Assoc. Prof. Noelle Cridland Executive Director
- Dr John CloustonDirector, Medical Imaging
- Prof. Alan Coulthard Director, Research
- Vanessa Clarke
  Director, Medical Imaging Services



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**Dr John Clouston**Director, Medical Imaging



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Vanessa Clarke Director, Medical Imaging Services



# Research staff

| Name                       | Qualifications                         | Position   | Interests/specialities  |
|----------------------------|--|--|---|
| Dr John Clouston           | MBBS, FRANZCR                          | Director, Medical Imaging  | interventional radiology  |
| Prof. Alan Coulthard       | MBBS, BMedSci, FRCS,<br>FRCR, FRANZCR, | Director, Research; Prof.<br>Neuroradiology and Head,<br>Discipline of Medical Imaging, UQ | neuroradiology, neuro-<br>intervention  |
| Assoc. Prof. Karin Steinke | MD, MS, PD, FRANZCR                    | Staff Specialist   | thoracic and breast imaging and intervention  |
| Assoc. Prof. Peter Scally  | MBBS, FRANZCR                          | Staff Specialist   | medical student education,<br>quality management<br>in radiology, software<br>development to teach critical<br>analysis |
| Ms Karen Dobeli            | MAppSci (MedRadSci), FIR               | Senior Radiographer  | computed tomography   |
| Dr Liam Caffery            | BIT, DipAppSci (DiagRad), PhD          | Senior Systems Radiographer  | picture archiving and communication systems, teleradiology  |
| Dr Annah Lane              | BSc, MBBS                              | Research SHO   | neuroradiology research   |
| Dr John Velkovic           | BE (Med), MBBS                         | Radiology Registrar  | neuroradiology research   |
| Dr Jeanie Scott            | BSc (Hons), PhD                        | Research Development Officer   | research development  |
| Dr Lawrence Josey          | BSc (Med), MBBS                        | Radiology Registrar  | neuroradiology research   |
| Dr Nicholas Brown          | BSc, MBBS, MPhil, GCSpMed              | Radiology Registrar  | MSK, interventional radiology, nuclear medicine, sports medicine  |
| Dr Michael Curley          | BAppSc, MBBS                           | Radiology Registrar  | neuroradiology research   |
| Matthew Gordon             | BAppSci (Med Imaging)                  | Radiographer   | emergency medical imaging,<br>image interpretation  |
| Carron Devaney             | BAppSci (Med Imaging)                  | Radiographer   | emergency medical imaging   |
| Greg Edwards               | BAppSci (Med Imaging)                  | Radiographer   | theatre   |
| Dr Craig Hacking           | BSc, MBBS                              | Radiology Registrar  | emergency medicine, MSK   |

# Supervised postgraduate students

| Name       | Current studies                | Research topic  |
|------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Eastgage P | Masters (Radiography Research) | Can the radiographer go one step further?   |
| Rawle M    | Masters (Health Science)       | Cost effectiveness of MRI exams for stroke detection: Are we doing too many sequences?  |
| Eastgate N | Masters                        | Data security   |
| Oughton J  | PhD                            | The relationship of arterial stiffness and resistance to white matter hyperintensity distributions in aging women: The LAW Blood Flow and Brain Study |
| Nguyen G   | PhD                            | Perfusion computed tomography in the evaluation of blood-brain barrier disruption in acute ischaemic stroke   |
| Hassed P   | Master (Health Science)        | Radiographic interpretation   |

## Research grants

| Investigators  | Project title   | Granting body   | Amount<br>awarded | Years of<br>funding |
|--|---|---|-------------------|---------------------|
| Steinke K  | Microwave ablation of lung tumours  | Private Practice<br>Trust Fund                              | \$71,000          | 2010-2011           |
| Steinke K  | Analysing dose reduction using iDose software and hardware  | Private Practice<br>Trust Fund                              | \$100,000         | 2010-2011           |
| Coulthard A, Scott J   | The Australia and New Zealand Interventional<br>Neuroradiology Collaborative  | ANZSNR and<br>RANZCR  | \$50,000          | 2010-2011           |
| Scott J  | Developing research in radiology  | Private Practice<br>Trust Fund                              | \$80,000          | 2010-2012           |
| Shay F, Coulthard A,<br>Danaher L.                               | Are curricula, teaching activities and assessment procedures for chest radiograph interpretation integrated across the continuum of medical training? | Centre for Medical<br>Education Research<br>and Scholarship | \$4,000           | 2010-2011           |
| Steinke K, Coulthard A   | High-end MR breast imaging diagnostic evaluation and interventional system  | QPACT   | \$324,825         | 2010-2011           |
| Rose S, Crozier S,<br>Salvado O, Coulthard A,<br>Thomas P, Fay M | Improving assessment of brain tumour treatment outcome using 18F-FDOPA PET MRI  | NHMRC   | \$637,125         | 2010-2012           |
| Taylor B, Van Der Mei I,<br>Lucas R, Coulthard A,<br>Blizzard C  | Prognostic factors following a first episode of CNS demyelination suggestive of MS (Auslong)  | NHMRC   | \$689,575         | 2009-2011           |

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