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**Kids Research receives the grant of a lifetime**

A grant of $75,000 was awarded the Kids Research Institute at The Children’s Hospital at Westmead last Thursday. Associate Professor Chris Cowell accepted the grant on behalf of the Kids Research Institute from the Ramaciotti Foundation. The grant will enable staff to continue outstanding clinical research and purchase new equipment.

The Kids Research Institute is committed to discovering new ways to improve the lives and health of sick kids. By understanding the ways in which diseases develop and methods of treatment, the staff at the Kids Research Institute strive to solve the unanswered questions and challenged regarding kids health.

“Receiving this grant will fund the purchase of a new confocal microscope and high pressure freezer, which will allow scientists at KRI to address unique research questions by understanding the fundamental processes underlying a spectrum of human disease,” said A/Prof Cowell.

The Ramaciotti Foundation understands the importance of research as they have funded biomedical research for 40 years. The Ramaciotti Foundations assists in areas including molecular biology, genetics and immunology.

The Kids Research Institute is one of 24 recipients across Sydney to receive a much needed grant. With new facilities and the awarded grant, the Kids Research Institute can remain at the forefront of organisations implementing translational research and continue to improve the lives of sick children.

*The Children’s Hospital at Westmead* is the highly respected, largest paediatric centre in NSW, providing excellent care for children from NSW, Australia and across the Pacific Rim. Established in 1880, *The Children’s Hospital at Westmead* is a stand-alone public Hospital.

Researchers at the Kids Research Institute (KRI) are committed to discovering new ways to help improve the health of children

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