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Media statement

RACP applauds new era of medicine

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The RACP welcomes the launch of the Australian Academy of Health and Medical Sciences and has hailed it a win-win for medical research and practice.

The Academy brings together Australia's leaders in health and medical science to give independent advice to government, industry and the community on evidence-based medical research and medical practice issues.

"Australia's research sector is at the forefront of life-saving innovations that makes a real difference to health outcomes," RACP President Laureate Professor Nicholas Talley said.

"Expert advice on health priorities will allow medical research to continue making a real difference to the health of all Australians for generations to come."

The Academy will also nurture Australia's future health and medical science researchers.

"Australia is recognised internationally for its health and medical science. Developing the next generation of researchers creates potential for research breakthroughs that change modern medicine," Professor Talley said.

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