

# Our Research Saves Lives: MRA Grants Over \$100 Million in Ten Years

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Through powerful research, the Melanoma Research Alliance (MRA) is quickly delivering results and saving lives. In ten years, the Melanoma Research Alliance has become the largest, nonprofit funder of melanoma research worldwide. In fact, with the announcement of [28 new grant awards](#), MRA has now funded \$100 million in the areas of prevention, diagnosis, and treatment!

This year's grant awards support 13 Team Science and 15 Young Investigator Awards. Together, these awards represent the single largest grant year ever by MRA. These research projects will accelerate research addressing critical issues in melanoma, including identifying novel drug targets, treatments and biomarkers, as well as studies aimed at preventing melanoma or improving methods of early detection.

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We've made incredible progress, but we won't quit until we achieve our goal of curing melanoma.

We can't do it alone. Grants from MRA are possible through the generous support of individuals, families, institutions, and corporate allies. And, through the generous ongoing support of our founders Debra and Leon Black, 100 percent of all contributions from donors go directly to science, without any admin, development, or fundraising fees.

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