



## Doctor remains cancer-free nearly a year after being diagnosed with incurable brain tumor – credited to innovative self-administered treatment | Global News

### Description

Australian Professor Richard Scolyer, one of the Australians Of The Year, has received praise for his groundbreaking work on melanoma, which he also used to treat his own incurable brain cancer. Despite being diagnosed almost a year ago, a recent MRI confirmed that he remains cancer-free, much to his delight. With the support of his dedicated medical team and loving family, Prof Scolyer continues to defy the odds.

His innovative approach to treating melanoma has not only saved countless lives but has also allowed him to become the first brain cancer patient to undergo pre-surgery combination immunotherapy. This bold decision, rooted in his own research, has set a new standard in cancer treatment and provided hope for future patients.

The University of Sydney, where Prof Scolyer and his colleague Prof Long work as co-medical directors of the Melanoma Institute Australia, commended their contributions by naming them Australians Of The Year. Their immunotherapy approach has transformed melanoma from a deadly disease to a curable one, showcasing the power of activating the body's own immune system.

In a statement to Sky News, Prof Scolyer expressed his gratitude for the successful treatment so far and his hope for continued progress. Prof Long emphasized the impact of their work, highlighting the potential to revolutionize the field of brain cancer treatment. Their dedication and achievements serve as an inspiration for the medical community and patients worldwide.

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## Vocabulary List:

1. **groundbreaking** // (adjective): Innovative and pioneering introducing new ideas.
2. **incurable** // (adjective): Not able to be cured or healed.
3. **defy** // (verb): To resist or challenge something in a bold manner.
4. **bold** // (adjective): Courageous and daring not hesitating to take risks.
5. **commend** // (verb): To praise or express approval for someone's actions or behavior.
6. **revolutionize** // (verb): To completely change and improve something leading to a new way of doing things.

## Vocabulary quizzes

**Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )**

1. Which term refers to different types or kinds of something?  
Option: Invasive  
Option: Varieties  
Option: Legacy  
Option: Complications
2. Which insects are known for transmitting diseases like malaria and Zika?  
Option: Varieties  
Option: Traps  
Option: Mosquitoes  
Option: Interventions
3. Which term refers to something handed down from the past or a person's impact on future generations?



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- Option: Legacy  
Option: Xenotransplantation  
Option: Predispose  
Option: Implications
4. What medical procedure involves moving an organ or tissue from one person to another?  
Option: Transplant  
Option: Influence  
Option: Bold  
Option: Sepsis
5. Which term describes something innovative and pioneering?  
Option: Outcome  
Option: Microbiome  
Option: Groundbreaking  
Option: Defy
6. What type of medication is used to treat bacterial infections?  
Option: Antibiotic  
Option: Mortality  
Option: Incurable  
Option: Ventilator
7. Which term relates to chemicals that are involved in the functioning of the nervous system?  
Option: Neurochemical  
Option: Affect  
Option: Beacon  
Option: Implications
8. Which term describes a species that spreads rapidly and causes harm to its environment?  
Option: Beacon  
Option: Invasive  
Option: Incursions  
Option: Mourn
9. What medical procedure involves transplanting organs or cells between different species?  
Option: Xenotransplantation  
Option: Predispose  
Option: Influence  
Option: Revolutionize
10. Which term refers to the monitoring of an area activities or individuals?  
Option: Complications



- Option: Surveillance
- Option: Mortality
- Option: Traps

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. \_\_\_\_\_ into the forest by loggers can have devastating effects on wildlife populations.
12. Surgery always carries some risk of \_\_\_\_\_ which the doctor will discuss with you before the operation.
13. The economic downturn had serious \_\_\_\_\_ for small businesses in the region.
14. Parents have a significant \_\_\_\_\_ on their children's development and behavior.
15. The study aimed to analyze the factors affecting infant \_\_\_\_\_ in underdeveloped countries.
16. The lighthouse acted as a \_\_\_\_\_ for ships navigating through the treacherous waters.
17. Patients with severe respiratory problems may require the assistance of a \_\_\_\_\_ to help them breathe.
18. The community came together to \_\_\_\_\_ the passing of a beloved teacher.
19. Genetic factors can \_\_\_\_\_ individuals to certain health conditions.
20. The research team set up mosquito \_\_\_\_\_ to monitor the population in the area.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

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| 21. The philanthropist left behind a of charitable work that continues to benefit the community.                       |
| 22. involves the transplantation of organs or tissues from one species to another with the goal of saving human lives. |
| 23. The new technological breakthrough has the potential to the way we approach healthcare.                            |



24. Prompt treatment is crucial in managing severe cases of a life-threatening condition.
25. The recent policy changes are expected to a wide range of industries and businesses.
26. The remarkable recovery of the patient seemed to all medical expectations.
27. The company made a decision to enter a new market with innovative products.
28. The mayor took the opportunity to the efforts of the emergency responders during the crisis.
29. The study aimed to analyze the factors affecting infant in underdeveloped countries.
30. The gut plays a crucial role in digestion and overall health.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Varieties 2. Mosquitoes 3. Legacy 4. Transplant 5. Groundbreaking 6. Antibiotic  
7. Neurochemical 8. Invasive 9. Xenotransplantation 10. Surveillance

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Incursions 12. Complications 13. Implications 14. Influence 15. Mortality 16. Beacon 17.  
Ventilator 18. Mourn 19. Predispose 20. Traps

**Matching sentence:** 1. Legacy 2. Xenotransplantation 3. Revolutionize 4. Sepsis 5. Affect 6. Defy 7. Bold  
8. Commend 9. Mortality 10. Microbiome

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