



# The Flinders Centre for Innovation in Cancer

## Incorporating the LIVESTRONG Cancer Research Centre

*Bringing the brightest minds and the kindest hearts together under one roof*



"I am standing here today because I have been cured. But it is important to keep in mind there are other stories – names we don't know, faces we don't know, stories we don't know – which didn't have the same outcomes.

"I look forward to hearing all the good stories that come out of this centre. This is the birth of hope and the birth of inspiration for so many people."

Lance Armstrong speaking about the Flinders Centre for innovation in Cancer at an official groundbreaking ceremony in January 2010.



Construction for the Flinders Centre for Innovation in Cancer will commence in August 2010, realising the dream of the FMC Foundation and thousands of donors who have tirelessly supported the creation of an integrated cancer centre at Flinders.

The \$27 million integrated cancer centre will be a first for South Australia, housing innovative clinical service facilities and relevant healthcare professionals such as oncologists, surgeons, nutritionists, and psychologists alongside biomedical, behavioural and clinical researchers, to ensure the most comprehensive research and drive the best and most compassionate cancer care.

The building of the Centre has been enabled by the support of thousands of individual donors and many years of fundraising and lobbying by the FMC Foundation. This includes a recent \$5 million pledge from the State Government following an earlier \$2.5 million commitment; a \$10 million grant from the Federal Government; and a range of major pledges from Flinders University; Australian Cancer Research Foundation; Cancer

Council SA; the Flinders Clinicians Trust Fund; and the Volunteer Service for FMC Inc.

The vision for the Flinders Centre for Innovation in Cancer has also captured the imagination of one of the world's greatest cycling champions – cancer advocate and survivor Lance Armstrong.

As testament to the global importance of the vital research the Centre will house in cancer prevention strategies, early detection tools, and innovative treatments, the cycling champion has given the name of his foundation **LIVESTRONG** to the new research wing.

Cancer prevention and survivorship will become the focus area for more than 100 leading biomedical, behavioural and clinical researchers who will work within the **LIVESTRONG** Cancer Research Centre conducting laboratory and clinical trials to find solutions for numerous types and forms of cancers.