DID YOU KNOW?

Facts about Melanoma

Melanoma is the most serious type of skin cancer.

In 2019, it was expected that there would be 15,229 diagnoses of melanoma of the skin - close to one diagnosis every half hour.

Melanoma is the **third most common cancer** in Australian men and women.

If detected early more than 90% of melanoma cases can be successfully treated with surgery.

Australia has one of the highest melanoma rates in the world.

Melanoma is the **most common cancer** in young Australians (15–39 year olds) but incidence for people over 60 is also high and increasing.

In Australia, 1 person dies from melanoma **every 5 hours**

Most melanomas are caused by prolonged and repeated **exposure to UV** radiation in sunlight.



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