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It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of our Director, Dr John Dixon Hughes OAM on Wednesday, 14 September 2022 at the age of 96. John has been an instrumental Founding Member of our Foundation and remained an active Director and Research Advisory Committee Member since 1977. His wisdom, companionship and unique insights will be missed by all.

John was passionate about NFMRI and its role in supporting research to deliver benefits to the community. He was the long term Chair of the Research Advisory Committee and has remained engaged as a member of the committee in recent years.

An astute consultant general surgeon with over 60 years of experience, John was an active, dedicated and passionate leader. Science, medicine and innovations were his passions and he continued to provide valuable advice and distinguished service to medicine until his passing.

He lived a remarkable life, supported by a beautiful family. His 'can-do' attitude, robust motivation and desire to learn supported him in achieving his enormous list of lifelong accomplishments. From being a pilot to a renowned skilled surgeon - nothing stopped John from persevering and succeeding. He was humble and kind, always keen to share his knowledge and history with others, as well as help wherever he could.

We are grateful to have received John's guidance and support throughout all of these years. His stewardship and leadership have been instrumental in not only establishing, but also shaping our Foundation into what it is today. On behalf of our Board and our team, we offer our sincere condolences to friends, family and colleagues of Dr. John Dixon Hughes OAM.



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