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RESEARCH SUMMARY

A/Prof Julia Steinberg leads the Genomics and Precision Health research stream at The Daffodil Centre, a joint venture between the University of Sydney and Cancer Council NSW.

Her research program leverages and integrates large-scale genetic, genomic, behaviour, and medical data to improve human health and reduce the burden of disease. A/Prof Steinberg's main focus is on the opportunities and challenges of precision health for cancer - effectively and sustainably delivering the right intervention to the right population at the right time, from innovative cancer screening and early detection to targeted cancer treatment.

As particular highlights, A/Prof Steinberg co-leads the Australian Cancer Risk Study: a multidisciplinary, collaborative research program on genomic risk prediction and risk-tailored screening and early detection for common cancers, funded by the Genomics Health Futures Mission in June 2021. She also leads a new collaborative program of work on multi-cancer early detection tests, funded by the Genomics Health Futures Mission from February 2025.

Further work includes

- identifying healthcare gaps that need to be addressed and populations subgroups with different risks or needs, based on analyses of current pathways to cancer diagnosis, patterns of cancer care, and costs of cancer;
- informing health service planning (including for cancer genomic medicine) and identification of “best-buy” cancer control interventions, based on forecasts of future cancer burden and the number of patients for potential targeted treatment based on key molecular characteristics of the tumour (so-called “pan-tumour biomarkers”).

A/Prof Steinberg is committed to mentoring and supporting early career researchers, with her current team including a Postdoctoral Research Fellow, a PhD student / Research Assistant, two Statisticians, and a Program Manager. She has successfully co-supervised one PhD to completion and currently supervises three PhD students (one as Lead Supervisor).

CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2022-current	Genomics and Precision Health Stream Lead, The Daffodil Centre, The University of Sydney and Cancer Council NSW
2022-current	Adjunct Associate Professor, The University of Sydney
2018-current	Honorary Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Translational Genomics, Helmholtz Zentrum München, Germany

PAST ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2021-2022	Senior Research Fellow, The Daffodil Centre, University of Sydney and Cancer Council NSW
2019-2021	Senior Research Fellow, Cancer Research Division, Cancer Council NSW
2019-2021	Honorary Senior Research Fellow, School of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine and Health, University of Sydney
2017-2018	Research Fellow, Cancer Research Division, Cancer Council NSW
2016-2017	Bye Fellow, Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge, UK
2015-2017	Postdoctoral Fellow, Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute, UK
2010-2014	DPHil in Genomic Medicine and Statistics, University of Oxford, UK
2006-2010	Master in Mathematics, University of Oxford, UK

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

SUMMARY: 83 publications (76 since 2015), 3970 citations (3370 in last 5 years)

12 publications as first author (including *Nature Communications*) and **16 publications as senior author** (including *Lancet Public Health*).

h-index: 27 (Google Scholar).

Field-weighted citations impact: 2.2-fold more citations than global average for health and medical researchers (SciVal; 1.3-fold higher than Australian average).

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7. K.L.A. Dunlop, N. Singh, A.K. Smit, A.L. Morrow, J. Steinburg, A.E. Cust, M. Makeham, C. Bonner, B. Terrill, L.V. Monrouxe, D. Wilkinson, S. Sawleshwarkar, A.S. Ma (2025). Building capacity for genomics in primary care: A scoping review of practitioner attitudes, education needs and enablers. **Frontiers in Medicine** 12:1577958.
8. A. Salisbury, J. Cardi, R. Norman, A.K. Smit, A.E. Cust, C. Low, M. Caruana, L. Gordon, K. Canfell, J. Steinberg, A. Pierce (2024). Preferences for genetic and genomic risk-informed chronic disease screening and early detection: A systematic review of discrete choice experiments. **Applied Health Economics and Health Policy** 23(3):395-408.
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10. E. DeBertoli, E. McGahan, T. Yanes, J. Berkman, N. Fuentes-Bolanos, V. Milch, J. Steinberg, A. McInerney-Leo (2024). Utility of genomic testing in children, adolescents, and young adults with cancer. **Journal of the National Cancer Institute** 117(4):601-610.
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 - **covered by 35 media outlets, scoring in the top 5% of all research outputs by Altmetric**
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 - University of Sydney EMCR Outstanding Publication Award 2023 for Luo
 - Editorialised as “seminal research”, “critical to understanding how large-scale public health crises influence the quality of and access to care”
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- **field-weighted citation impact top 1% in Oncology**
 - geographical reach: **cited by researchers from 50 countries, 6 continents** (Scopus)
 - **covered in >110 articles (>80 news outlets) incl. international media**, eg. The Guardian
 - **tweeted by 1,100 people from >100 countries**, incl. >800 members of the public
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 - **covered by 20 national and international media outlets** in UK, USA, Germany, India
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GOVERNMENT AND OTHER COMMISSIONED REPORTS

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 - **directly commissioned to inform Cancer Australia’s National Framework for Genomics in Cancer Control**
 - full evidence review and resulting Framework available online: <https://www.canceraustralia.gov.au/key-initiatives/national-framework-genomics-cancer-control>
2. The Daffodil Centre (2023). The ROSA Project: Roadmap for Optimising Screening in Australia – Breast. Produced by the Daffodil Centre on behalf of Cancer Council Australia.
 - **commended by Hon. Mark Butler MP, Minister for Health and Aged Care, for “generating the evidence base to inform the future of breast cancer screening”**
 - recommendations **informed BreastScreen Australia National Policy and Funding Review 2024/2025** (<https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/breastscreen-australia-national-policy-and-funding-review>)
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 - **Directly commissioned to inform Cancer Australia Lung Cancer Screening Enquiry:** <https://www.canceraustralia.gov.au/publications-and-resources/cancer-australia-publications/report-lung-cancer-screening-enquiry> , which led to new National Lung Cancer Screening Program in Australia from 2025
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POSITION STATEMENTS

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CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (*) AND LEADERSHIP ROLES

- 2025 Co-Chair, Transdisciplinary Conference for Future Leaders in Precision Public Health, global.
- 2025* Potential of polygenic risk scores for risk-tailored early detection of common cancers. Australian Polygenic Score Implementation Summit, Australia.
- 2024 Member of Organising Committee, 2nd Transdisciplinary Conference for Future Leaders in Precision Public Health, global.
- 2024* Potential of polygenic risk scores for risk-tailored early detection of common cancers: initial results for prostate cancer from the Australian Cancer Risk Study and related research. *Familial Aspects of Cancer Research and Practice*, Australia.
- 2023 Session chair and member of Organising Committee, 2nd Transdisciplinary Conference for Future Leaders in Precision Public Health, global.
- 2022 Invited participant at the Australian Genomics Polygenic Score Incubator Project Workshop, Australia.
- 2022 Scientific Advisory Panel, NSW Cancer Conference, Australia.
- 2022* "Performance of melanoma polygenic risk scores to date". Australian Skin and Skin Cancer Research Centre Genetics Summit, Australia.
- 2022 Invited participant at the closed Policy and Practice Roundtable on Melanoma PRS for risk-tailored interventions, Australian Skin and Skin Cancer Research Centre Genetics Summit, Australia.
- 2021 "Genetic Epidemiology" Conference Session Chair, World Congress of Epidemiology, global.
- 2021 Conference Session Chair, GeneMappers, Australia.
- 2020* "External validation of a melanoma polygenic risk score in two cohort studies". International Melanoma Genetics Consortium (GenoMEL) 2020 Virtual Meeting, global.
- 2017 Discussion Leader, Gordon Research Seminar in Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, USA.
- 2016* "Functional Genomics of Osteoarthritis". Genome Science, UK.
- 2016* "Functional Genomics of Osteoarthritis". University of Cambridge, Department of Surgery Interdisciplinary Research Workshop, UK.
- 2015 Conference Chair, Gordon Research Seminar in Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, Italy.

PRESENTATIONS SELECTED FROM ABSTRACTS – SINCE 2015 (9 ORAL*, 15 TOTAL)

2022-2025 – *unable to travel internationally due to parental leave, baby/toddler care responsibilities*

- 2025* “Community preferences for population-wide genomic risk stratification (using polygenic risk scores) and risk-based cancer screening”, Australian Health Economics Society Conference, [Australia](#).
- 2025* “Disparities in cancer survival by socioeconomic status in NSW, 1980-2019: findings from a population-based study”. NSW Cancer Summit, [Australia](#).
- 2023* “Comparing theory-based and non-theory-based implementation approaches to inform successful genomic medicine strategies in practice: a two-arm parallel randomised clinical trial for improving tumour testing and genetics services referral for Lynch syndrome”. NSW Cancer Conference, [Australia](#).
- 2021* “Independent evaluation of melanoma polygenic risk scores in UK and Australian prospective cohorts”. World Congress of Epidemiology, virtual meeting, [global](#).
- 2021* “Genomic testing to identify colorectal cancer patients with Lynch syndrome: current practice and gaps in Australia”. Sydney Cancer Conference, [Australia](#).
- 2021 “Genomic testing to identify colorectal cancer patients with Lynch syndrome: current practice and gaps in Australia”. GeneMappers, [Australia](#).
- 2021* “Genomic testing to identify colorectal cancer patients with Lynch syndrome: current practice and gaps in Australia”. Sydney Catalyst Research Showcase, [Australia](#).
- 2021* “Independent evaluation of melanoma polygenic risk scores in UK and Australian prospective cohorts”. Australian Polygenic Risk Symposium, [Australia](#).
- 2020* “Independent evaluation of melanoma polygenic risk scores in UK and Australian prospective cohorts”. American Society of Human Genetics Annual Meeting, [USA](#).
- 2019 “Decoding the genomic basis of osteoarthritis: molecular profiling of patient tissues reveals clinically-relevant insights”. GeneMappers, [Australia](#).
- 2018* “Large-scale systematic analysis of relationships between cancer risk factors and their joint association with cancer incidence”. Annual Scientific Meeting of the Clinical Oncology Society of Australia, [Australia](#). **“Best of the Best Orals” session.**
- 2017 “Multi-omics analyses of disease-relevant patient tissue samples: insights and lessons for the example of osteoarthritis”. Gordon Research Conference in Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, [USA](#).
- 2015 “Integrated molecular phenotyping in chondrocytes identifies genes and pathways disrupted in Osteoarthritis”. American Society of Human Genetics Annual Meeting, [USA](#).
- 2015 “Genetics of Haematological Traits: Leveraging Genetics of Population Isolates from Europe to Sub-Saharan Africa”. Genomics of Common Disease, [UK](#).
- 2015 “Gene haploinsufficiency predictions without study bias”. Gordon Research Conference in Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, [Italy](#).

INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 “Genomics and Precision Health for cancer: applications from risk-based early detection to detecting current inequities in cancer survival”. College of Health and Medicine, University of Tasmania, Tasmania, [Australia](#).
- 2024 “Genomics and Precision Health for cancer: applications from cancer risk prediction to detecting current inequities in cancer survival”. Cancer Epidemiology Division, Cancer Council Victoria, Victoria, [Australia](#).
- 2022 “Genomics and Precision Health for Cancer”. Helmholtz Zentrum Muenchen, [Germany](#).

- 2022 “Towards predicting cancer risk in the broader population: Validation of melanoma genomic risk prediction in Australian and UK prospective cohorts”. Daffodil Centre Flagship Seminar, virtual international meeting.
- 2022 “Genomics and Precision Health: opportunities and challenges to sustainably and effectively reduce cancer burden”. Griffith University Public Health Seminar, Queensland, Australia.
- 2021 “Early evidence on COVID-19 risks for people with cancer: systematic reviews and critical appraisal”. Inaugural Daffodil Centre Flagship Seminar, virtual international meeting (120+ attendees).
- 2021 “COVID-19 impacts on cancer: key data and models”. COVID-19 and Cancer Global Modelling Consortium, virtual international meeting (70+ attendees from 5 continents).
- 2020 “COVID-19 impacts on cancer: current state of research”. COVID-19 and Cancer Global Modelling Consortium, virtual international meeting (80+ attendees from 5 continents).
- 2018 “Large-scale analyses of genomic and epidemiological data to gain insights into disease”. Ingham Institute, Australia.

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS AND ARTICLES

- 2025 Interviewed for “[Cancer screening could halve rates of late-stage diagnoses](#)”, Medical Republic (May 2025); magazine on average read by ~50% of Australian GPs
- 2025 “What you need to know about the *BRCA* gene”. Wrote educational summary printed in Women’s Weekly (Feb 2025 edition), with print audience of 1.3m and total audience of ~2.6m.
- 2021 “What is significance?” Presentation to Cancer Council NSW Prevention and Advocacy Division. *Feedback from attendees: “super helpful”, “fascinating and really useful!”*
- 2021 “Genomics and Human Health” interview for international “Exploring Genetics” web-series by “The Science Explorer” (1.7m facebook followers; video viewed by >1,200 people); subsequent episode featured 2020 Nobel Prize laureate
- 2019 “Research at Cancer Council NSW” Presentation to community stakeholders. Sydney, Australia.
- 2019 “What is genetics and how can it help reduce the burden of cancer?” Organisation-wide seminar, Cancer Council NSW.
- 2019 “Large-scale systematic analysis of relationships between cancer risk factors and their joint association with cancer incidence” Organisation-wide seminar, Cancer Council NSW.
- 2018 “Research at Cancer Council NSW” Presentation to community stakeholders. Sydney, Australia.

PHD SUPERVISION

- 2023-current Philip Ly, “Investigating the potential of genomics-informed risk prediction to improve early detection for common cancers in Australia”.
Funded by Commonwealth Research Training Program.
Lead Supervisor for Full-time PhD student, University of Sydney.
- 2022-current Gillian Reyes-Marcellino, “Melanoma risk assessment and risk-stratified melanoma screening and surveillance incorporating skin imaging technologies”.
Full-time PhD student, University of Sydney.
- 2019-current David Goldsbury, “The costs of cancer in New South Wales, Australia”.
Part-time PhD student, University of Sydney.
- 2018-2021 Dr Elvin Cheng (successfully completed), “Characteristics and Risk Factors for Lung Cancer in Never-smokers in Australia and China”.
Full-time PhD student, University of Sydney.

TEACHING (* denotes developing new content not previously taught in that course)

UNIT COORDINATION

- 2021 “Genomics and Public Health” **unit co-coordinator** (PUBH5126), Master of Public Health / Master of Clinical Epidemiology, University of Sydney.
This included updating of all interactive components for online delivery during the pandemic, review and development of assessment tasks (including different tasks from group discussions to short tests and written assignments), and personally completing all marking to measure student knowledge.
This unit achieved outstanding student ratings:
- overall USS score 4.54, with score 4.0+ for each of the questions, including
- mean score 4.75 for quality of teaching by teacher(s),
- mean score 4.88 for intellectually rewarding work,
- mean score 4.75 for access to valuable learning resources).
“A score above 4.5 is sensational and helps keep the School as the place with the highest average USS scores across the Faculty.” Prof. Joel Negin, Head of School of Public Health in 2021

LECTURES AND PRACTICALS

- 2024 “Cancer Polygenic Risk Scores” (one lecture), “Cancer Genomics” unit (GMED5003), Masters of Genomics and Precision Medicine course, University of Sydney.
- 2024* “Public Health Genomics” (three lectures), “Genomics in Clinical Practice” unit (GMED5001), Masters of Genomics and Precision Medicine, University of Sydney.
The lectures constitute a new module on genomics and public health, developed following discussions I led with the Genomics Specialty team (led by Prof. Robyn Jamieson) regarding the incorporation of public health content into the unit and making it available for Masters of Public Health / Masters of Clinical Epidemiology students.
- 2021 “Risk-stratified population-based cancer screening and prevention” (interactive case study), “Genomics and Public Health” unit, Master of Public Health / Master of Clinical Epidemiology, University of Sydney.
- 2021* “Introductory human genetics” (five lectures) and “Genetic testing for human disease and disease risk” (two lectures: “What are different applications of genomic testing to improve human health?”, “What are some key considerations for population-wide genomic screening tests?”), “Genomics and Public Health” unit (PUBH5126), Master of Public Health / Master of Clinical Epidemiology, University of Sydney.
- 2021* “Cancer Polygenic Risk Scores” (one lecture), “Cancer Genomics” unit (GMED5003), Masters of Genomics and Precision Medicine, University of Sydney.
- 2020* “Cancer-related impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic” (one lecture), “Cancer Prevention and Control” unit (PUBH5019), Masters of Public Health, University of Sydney.
- 2020* “Genetic aspects of cancer” (one lecture), “Cancer Prevention and Control” unit (PUBH5019), Masters of Public Health, University of Sydney.
- 2016 “Disease genomics” and “Identifying genes and variants associated with disease” (two lectures and a practical), MPhil in Genomic Medicine, University of Cambridge.
Student comments: “brilliant lectures”, “great set of relevant talks”, “very well paced and clear”, “lectures extremely useful and helpful”, “very interesting”, “tutorial well-prepared”.
- 2016 “Mathematical Biology” classes, Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge.
- 2016 “Elementary Maths for Biologists” classes, Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge.
- 2015* “Disease genomics” and “Identifying genes and variants associated with disease” (two lectures and a practical), MPhil in Genomic Medicine, University of Cambridge.
- 2014* “Identifying biological pathways and networks from genetics and genomics studies” one-day workshop, University of Oxford.
- 2013* “Practical functional genomics analyses” one-day workshop (run twice), University of Oxford.
- 2010* “First-year Mathematics at Oxford”, three-week summer school, Qingdao, China.