Advancing health research through collaboration

ANNUAL REPORT 2009-2010



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About BioGrid

BioGrid Australia Limited is a secure research platform and infrastructure that provides access to real-time clinical, imaging and biospecimen data across institutions, jurisdictions and diseases. The web-based platform provides ethical access while protecting both privacy and intellectual property.

BioGrid was established in 2003 with the foresight of the Bio21 Cluster collaboration as the Molecular Medicine Informatics Model. Government funding has enabled the establishment, then expansion of the platform over various phases.

- Phase 1 2003 Victorian State Government Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development
- Phase 2 2005 Australian Government Department of Education, Science and Training (now known as Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research)
- Phase 3 2006 Victorian State Government Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development (DIIRD)

BioGrid is now an independent not-for-profit company owned by, at the date of this report, 24 collaborators representing 40 hospitals and research organisations across five states and territories.

As modern health research and planning becomes more complex, the need for collaboration in research significantly increases. The web-based platform has the capacity to uniquely identify and ethically integrate data collected about a consumer across multiple institutions.

BioGrid also has the capability to link data with other datasets, produce tailored reports for audit and presentation purposes and provide statistical analysis tools to conduct more advanced research analysis. Authorised users can access, transform and add to data and test research questions using their own analytical tools or those made available by BioGrid.

In its first full financial year operating as a company, BioGrid has continued to expand the Australian Cancer Grid funded by DIIRD and support research across a range of disease types and health areas. Privacy-protected patient records linked to BioGrid have increased by 51% to over 185,000 and there has been a 33% increase in databases linked with many more either in development or on track to link in the near future.

For more information on what data is linked to BioGrid and how to access data, go to www.biogrid.org.au.

Our Vision

Integrating health and research data to facilitate improved health outcomes.

Our Mission

Providing a technology platform for the ethical integration of data from individuals, health services, industry, research organisations and governments for research to reduce the burden of disease and improve human health.

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Highlights 2009-2010

The past 12 months have seen an expansion of connectivity within member institutions (by 40%) resulting in a 33% increase in databases linked and a 51% increase in privacy-protected patient records.

To further assist clinicians with data collection across specific tumour streams, new ACCORD¹ modules in Prostate, Breast (in progress), Renal and Chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia cancer have been developed throughout the year. These modules add to the existing four² ACCORD¹ modules.

Development of a web-based portal (Clinical Viewer) which will allow different clinicians treating the same patient for the same disease across a number of sites and medical disciplines to view relevant identified patient information.

Web-based learning modules about how to access and utilise data linked to BioGrid have been developed. These modules will be valuable training and reference tools for researchers interested in accessing and analysing data in BioGrid.

On 14 April 2010, Professor Sir Gustav Nossal launched CART-WHEEL.org, a world-first website providing an ethically approved portal for consumer driven research into rare tumours and molecular sub-types of common tumours.

Mr Gavin Jennings, Minister for Innovation announced on 28 October 2009, an innovative four year partnership between BioGrid Australia and Roche Products to conduct a prospective study into clinicians' treatment decisions in metastatic Colorectal cancer.

Significant progress was made to gain access to externally linked data with the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Death Index and the Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset.

Dr Jeanne Tie, a clinical researcher with the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research (a BioGrid member) was awarded an American Society of Clinical Oncology Young Investigator Award in 2010. Dr Tie's work focuses on research in Colorectal cancer utilising clinical databases linked to BioGrid.



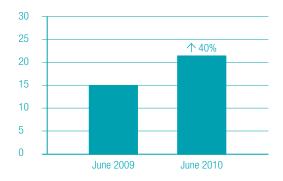
Dr Jeanne Tie conducting research at Ludwig Institute of Cancer Research.

Former BioGrid Data Manager, Slavé Petrovski was awarded the American Australian 'Sir Keith Murdoch Fellowship' for medical research for 2010 which applied to his area of research in neuroscience.

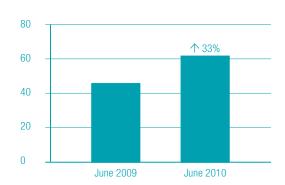
The production of a short video "Advancing health research through collaboration" where clinical researchers share their experiences of utilising the data technology platform of BioGrid to undertake collaborative research. To view, go to www.biogrid.org.au.

Growth Statistics

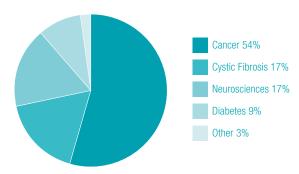
Number of institutions with a Local Research Repository connected to BioGrid



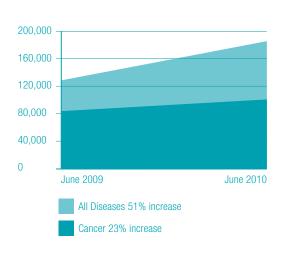
Number of databases linked to BioGrid



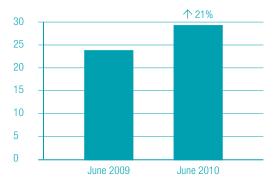
Type of databases linked to BioGrid at 30 June 2010



Number of privacy-protected patient records



Number of approved research projects seeking access to data linked to BioGrid



Chairman's Report



As Chairman of the BioGrid Australia Board, I am pleased to present the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2010. Reflecting on the past 15 months since becoming Chair, it has been a busy and challenging time for BioGrid as it transitions from a fully funded government project to a business providing data services to the health research sector.

The focus of the Board has been on developing financial sustainability for BioGrid post the Australia Cancer Grid government funding. During the year income from research grants and retrospective pharmaceutical sector research studies has supported the business plan of generating revenue from various income streams.

The strategic direction of the business is to focus on further developing data linkage in major cancers such as lung, breast, prostate and bowel cancer. In addition, where project funding is provided, further data linkage in other disease areas for example respiratory, neurological and diabetes will be developed.

There have been a number of highlights and achievements over the past year that should be acknowledged.

Roche Partnership

On 28 October 2009, Mr Gavin Jennings, Minister for Innovation announced an innovative four-year partnership between BioGrid Australia and Roche Products. This prospective study into clinicians' treatment decisions in metastatic Colorectal cancer will benefit bowel cancer patients.

Launch of CART-WHEEL.org

Professor Sir Gustav Nossal launched CART-WHEEL.org (Centre of Analysis of Rare Tumours) on 14 April 2010. Funded by the Victorian Cancer Agency this consumer grant has enabled a world-first website to be developed providing an ethically approved web portal for consumer driven research into rare tumours and molecular sub-types of common tumours.



BioGrid Australia and Roche Products Partnership Launch — Dr Jayesh Desai, Oncologist, The Royal Melbourne Hospital; Ms Libby Day, Head of Corporate Affairs, Roche Products; Dr Marienne Hibbert, Project Director, BioGrid Australia; Mr Gavin Jennings, Minister for Innovation.

Top left: Photo courtesy of Monash Institute of Medical Research.



Sir Gustav Nossal speaking at the CART-WHEEL.org launch. Photo courtesy of The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research.

Government Datasets

Significant progress was made during the year to gain access to externally linked data with the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Death Index and the Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset. Opportunities to link with other government datasets are being pursued. When these linkages are achieved it will significantly increase the value of BioGrid to the researcher.

Strategic Relationships

The directors and management have been developing strategic relationships with potential future users of the BioGrid platform to underpin key research initiatives such as the Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre, the Monash Comprehensive Cancer Consortium and the Olivia Newton-John Cancer and Wellness Centre.

International Opportunities

There has been ongoing liaison with the National Cancer Research Institute Informatics Initiative, UK and the National Cancer Institute's caBIG (cancer Biomedical Informatics Grid) initiative, USA. Future collaboration, on this initiative and others where BioGrid is utilised for data linkage and access, may provide Australian researchers with investigator status on international collaborative research projects.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who have contributed to BioGrid's successes. Firstly on behalf of the company Board and the Member's Management Committee I would like to thank the Victorian Government Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development for their engagement with BioGrid and their funding of the Australian Cancer Grid project until June 2011.

Thanks also to the BioGrid team members and all the clinical leaders and researchers for their hard work and perseverance during the year. In addition, special thanks to the executive management team, Mr Bob Atwill (Chief Executive Officer), A/Prof. Peter Gibbs (Clinical Director), Dr Marienne Hibbert (Project Director) and Ms Maureen Turner (Business Manager), for their dedication and commitment to the ongoing development of BioGrid.

I would also like to acknowledge the contributions and cooperative work of the Australian Cancer Grid Project Board, the Member Management Committee and the Scientific Advisory Committees over the past year.

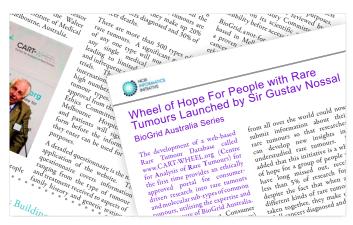
Since 2003 Melbourne Health has continued to act as Secretariat and home for the Australian Cancer Grid project. The continued support for BioGrid from the Melbourne Health executive team is greatly valued and appreciated.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the commitment and dedication of my fellow Directors, Mr Rob Merriel and Dr Julian Clark for setting and achieving fiscal and strategic goals for BioGrid.

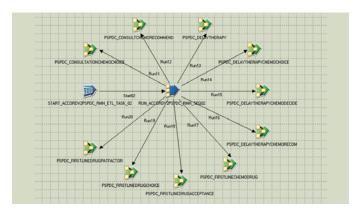
The next 12 months offer a number of opportunities and challenges as BioGrid focuses on key projects to underpin the business moving forward. Our key objective is to maximise the current business model to address future strategic fit with collaborative health research in Australia.

Professor Bryan Williams

Chairman, BioGrid Australia Board



BioGrid article feature in the NCRI UK Informatics Initiative Newsletter, Summer 2010 issue.



The Extract Transform Load computer procedure for copying data from a source database onto a BioGrid member Local Research Repository.

Chief Executive Officer's Report



Since joining as Chief Executive Officer in October 2009, I have been very impressed with what has been achieved by the BioGrid team in building a robust technology platform that can provide access to real-time privacy-protected patient data across institutions and jurisdictions.

This is a unique achievement both nationally and internationally that members and stakeholders view as a valuable resource for future health research and planning.

The key challenge that the organisation has faced during the year was to achieve financial sustainability for the future. Revenue has been generated from services provided to researchers and industry. During the year the members voted to introduce membership fees effective 1st July 2010 to assist with ongoing sustainability of BioGrid.

The past 12 months have seen an expansion of connectivity within member institutions (by 40%) resulting in a 33% increase in databases linked and a 51% increase in privacy-protected patient records.

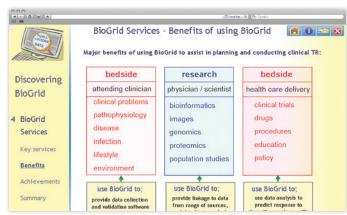
The BioGrid team has worked very hard to achieve a number of other successes and these are highlighted below.

New ACCORD Modules

There has been significant development during the past 12 months on new ACCORD (Australian Comprehensive Cancer and Research Database) modules namely; Prostate, Breast (in progress), Renal and Chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia cancer. The increasing level of clinician interest in the ACCORD software has resulted in the software being installed at a number of institutions to facilitate collection of data.

Web-based Learning Modules

Web-based learning modules about how to access and utilise data in BioGrid have been developed. These modules, funded by the Victorian Cancer Agency, will be valuable reference tools for researchers in the future.



A screen shot from a BioGrid web-based learning module.



Sir Gustav Nossal featuring in the BioGrid researcher video.

Road Show

In April 2010, BioGrid commenced the roll out of its member road show in Melbourne at St Vincent's Hospital and the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre. Developed by clinical researchers, the road show presentation and video informs fellow clinicians and researchers of the benefits of data linkage, analysis and reporting through BioGrid. At the date of this report, the road show has visited half of our members with over 600 people attending thus far.

Researcher Video

The production of a video where clinical researchers share their experience of utilising the data technology platform of BioGrid to undertake collaborative research has been used successfully to raise awareness and promote the benefits of using BioGrid. This effective educational and marketing tool will be beneficial in promoting the value and benefits of BioGrid and has formed a key feature of the road show presentations. To view, go to www.biogrid.org.au.

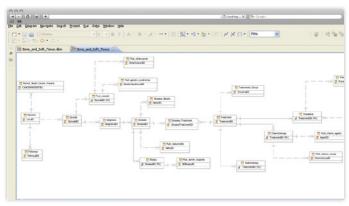
BioGrid has been focusing on key cancer streams, however other areas of research and development in progress include the Australian node of the human variome project, the Victorian cardiovascular data linkage project and a web-based clinical information management system for refugee services in Victoria.

The engagement with the pharmaceutical and biotech industry has been key in developing the future sustainability of BioGrid. This year has progressed well with Roche Products, Amgen Australia and Merck Serono Australia signing contracts to address key collaborative research needs in cancer which have expanded BioGrid's presence and data network. Projects in other disease areas such as respiratory, neuroscience and metabolic disease are being progressed with signed contracts executed with Pharmaxis in relation to Cystic Fibrosis research. Negotiations with a number of global pharmaceutical companies in cancer and other therapeutic areas are at an advanced stage and will deliver quality research outcomes and improve BioGrid's reach and financial position.

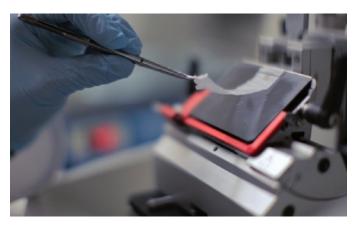
I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the BioGrid staff for their enormous dedication to the company. Through what has been a challenging time with a considerable reduction in staff numbers, all staff have focused on delivering real progress in facilitating quality health research. With BioGrid's new structure being implemented we are in a robust position to capitalise on the opportunities that the coming year holds.

Mr Bob Atwill

Chief Executive Officer



The structure of an Australian Comprehensive Cancer and Research Database tumour module.



Tissue sections being prepared for researchers.

Clinical Director's Report



In my roles of Clinical Director of BioGrid
Australia and Chairman of the BioGrid Scientific
Advisory Committee (SAC), the past 12 months
have seen continued expansion with the addition
of new institutions, new tumour types and
disease areas and greater research output. Being
involved with BioGrid since its inception as a
founding clinical researcher, my role has been
to generate engagement from clinicians and
industry in focusing on developing data collection
across a broad spectrum with the long term aim
of improving clinical outcomes for patients.

Meeting quarterly throughout the year, the cancer SAC comprises representatives from member organisations and affiliates who have expertise in particular tumour stream areas. During the year, a life sciences SAC was also established to ensure member representation related to other disease areas. The role of the SACs is to lead and oversee the rapidly expanding and evolving science and research activities of BioGrid, including reviewing and approving data access requests from researchers.

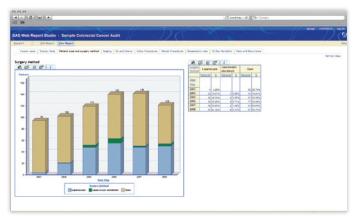
Reflecting on the past year, reference should be made to important scientific and clinical achievements during that time.

Roche Collaboration

A significant collaboration between BioGrid and Roche Products commenced in late 2009. This study focuses on bowel cancer treatment decision making and builds on the already established data collection and analysis resources of BioGrid, and will collect data on up to 1,000 patients across Australia. Using BioGrid technology, the project will provide insight into how clinicians choose from the multiple potential treatment options available for patients with advanced bowel cancer. It will also shed further light on the role patients play in treatment selection as well as provide detailed information on treatment outcomes in routine care.

Clinical Viewer Portal Project

Development of a web-based portal (Clinical Viewer), will for the first time allow approved clinicians treating the same patient for the same disease across a number of sites and medical disciplines to view relevant identified patient information from outside an institution. This will be of great value in clinical management and will improve collection of treatment and outcome data throughout the lifetime of a patient. The project has been made possible by the support of the Western and Central Melbourne Integrated Cancer Service.



SAS Web Report displaying sample privacy-protected surgical audit data.



Magnetic Resonance Imaging Scan.

Chemotherapy Prescribing ACCORD Module

Incorporating data capture into routine clinical care is a key focus of BioGrid as we move toward increasing the ease and accuracy of data collection, and enabling sustainable data capture by minimising the amount of data entry support required. Data is now being collected across a number of tumour streams and institutions using a successfully developed chemotherapy prescribing module for our Australian Comprehensive Cancer and Research Database (ACCORD). This database enables clinicians to generate treatment scripts more rapidly than the conventional hand written method, and at the same time capture all treatment data without the need to separately complete data forms. Examples of further efforts to incorporate data capture into routine care are the planned creation of electronic operative notes and electronic discharge summaries.

Consumer Driven Research

Another significant development during the year was the launch by Sir Gustav Nossal of the first ethically approved portal for consumer driven research into rare tumours and molecular sub-types of common tumours, www.CART-WHEEL.org. A detailed questionnaire is the main application of the website providing a novel approach to increasing data collection across 500 types of rare tumours. This project was funded by the Victorian Cancer Agency.

As part of the funding received from the Victorian Government to support the third phase of BioGrid, the Australian Cancer Grid, significant support for research was included. Consistent with the BioGrid vision this included the collaboration of multiple clinical and research groups (including CSIRO and the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research) and combining data and research across multiple institutions, including across state borders. Focusing on a range of research activities, from studies related to optimising the screening of individuals at high risk of bowel cancer, through to improving the treatment of patients with advanced cancer, these projects have produced exciting results, with many presentations and high impact publications expected over the next few years related to this work.

Research activities in the non-cancer area of life sciences also achieved major results throughout the year. Separate studies into diabetes and cystic fibrosis data resulted in evaluation of different aspects of care and treatment plans benefiting patients. A world-first study comparing the outcomes of anti-epileptic drug therapy was conducted with the findings recently being published in the journal, Neurology.

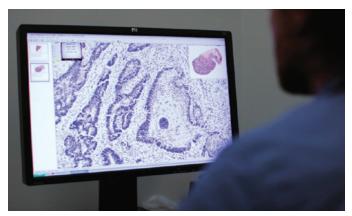
Along with the interest of industry in data collected as part of the standard ACCORD cancer datasets, there has been increasing enthusiasm from pharmaceutical companies in supporting prospective data collection projects across a broad range of diseases. These projects will address quite specific questions, but also support capture of a standard dataset. With each of these projects being developed with a national vision they will not only provide a revenue stream that is critical to support and expand data capture and research, but also will create additional interest and engagement in BioGrid across Australia.

Associate Professor Peter Gibbs

Clinical Director, BioGrid Australia



The Age online article of the launch of CART-WHEEL.org.



Histology slide highlighting staining patterns or vessels within the tissue section.

Testimonials

"Amongst the biggest problems that investigators face are data collection, data storage, data analysis, statistical analysis of data. A second order of problems is concerned with ethics and with privacy and the amazing thing about BioGrid is that it addresses all those things."

"I'm excited about the future of clinical research." I think so many things are bursting wide open, and when I look at the contribution being made by BioGrid, I get even more excited."

Sir Gustav Nossal

Professor Emeritus, Department of Pathology, The University of Melbourne

"The diagnosis of cancer is a traumatic time for the patient and their family. They seek information and access to methods of treatment that will assist in their journey. Part of this journey is determining what research and/or clinical trials are applicable for your disease. CART-WHEEL.org was developed for this reason and Cancer Voices Australia was delighted to be a contributor to such a wonderful project. The website is consumer friendly and easy to navigate - important elements of successful consumer engagement. Congratulations on your efforts to date and we will be following, contributing to and supporting this website which we know will assist in providing information and better outcomes for those affected by rare cancers."

Mr John Stubbs

Executive Officer, Cancer Voices Australia

"As Southern Health is the largest health service in Victoria, BioGrid offers a unique opportunity for multi-disciplinary research to be conducted to accelerate improvements in the delivery of improved health care."

Ms Malar Thiagarajan

Director of Research Services, Southern Health

"At present, the availability of appropriately annotated biorepositories is severely limited nationally and internationally. BioGrid Australia represents the fastest way in which this deficiency could be remedied in Victoria and beyond, and would likely exceed that available in international repositories."

"The achievements to date of BioGrid Australia make it the pre-eminent vehicle for the continued implementation of the goal of linking clinical annotation for research."

Dr Clare Scott

Cory Fellow and Laboratory Head, The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research: Medical Oncologist, The Royal Melbourne Hospital



Dr Clare Scott conducting research at The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research. Photo courtesy of The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research.

"Roche has been partnering with BioGrid Australia since August 2009 in an innovative project to assess the treatment of patients with metastatic Colorectal cancer (mCRC) in Australia.

Several new therapies for mCRC have been approved in recent years and the Roche/BioGrid project will provide insight into how clinicians choose from the multiple potential treatment options available for patients with mCRC. It will further shed light on the role patients play in treatment selection as well as provide detailed information on treatment outcomes. A total of 1,000 patients with mCRC will be prospectively evaluated using BioGrid's innovative research platform across Australia.

As the world's largest biotech company and leading provider of cancer care products, Roche is committed to providing medicines and diagnostic tools that enable tangible improvements in the health, quality of life and survival of patients with cancer. Partnering with BioGrid represents a unique opportunity for both clinicians and Roche to gain insight into the real-life treatment of Australian patients with mCRC which will ultimately improve understanding of mCRC care."

Dr Steve Hack

Medical Manager – Gl Oncology Roche Products

"We have been looking forward to utilising BioGrid, not only with our clinical research effort, but also in auditing of outcomes for various patient groups, in particular within Eastern Health for Colorectal cancer."

"BioGrid is a conduit for access to a new scope for potential and future plans for clinical research within Eastern Health."

Associate Professor Joe McKendrick

Director of Medical Oncology, Eastern Health

"The Australian Normative and Dementia Imaging (ANDI) Collaborative Network (ANDI-CA) plans to use the resources of BioGrid to extract imaging data from clinical sources within hospital networks. The BioGrid framework allows us to focus more on research and less on developing transfer protocols that satisfy ethical and security concerns of all parties given that this is all already in place in BioGrid."

Dr Andrew Janke

Research Fellow, Department of Geriatric Medicine, Canberra Hospital



A sample of software code from the Australian Comprehensive Cancer and Research Database.

Directors' Report

The names and details of the company's directors since elected on 26 March 2009 and in office during the 2009-2010 financial year until the date of this report are outlined below.



Photo courtesy of Monash Institute of Medical Research.

Professor Bryan Williams PhD, Hon FRSNZ

Director and Chairman since 26 March 2009

Director, Monash Institute of Medical Research (MIMR) and Director, Centre for Cancer Research, MIMR

Director and Chairman, Marshall Edwards Inc. (2006 – present)

Director, Cancer Trials Australia Pty Ltd (2009 – present)

Member of the Victorian Cancer Agency Consultative Council (2009 – present)

Chairman, Department of Cancer Biology Lerner Research Institute,

The Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Cleveland, USA (1991-2005)

Professor, Department of Genetics, Case Western Reserve University,

Cleveland, USA (1993-2005)

Meetings Attended: 13 of 15



Mr Robert Merriel BA, Grad Dip Psychology, Grad Dip Accounting, CPA

Director and Company Secretary since 26 March 2009

Business Development Director, Melbourne Health

Director, BioComm Services Pty Ltd (2007 – present)
Director, Australian Technology Fund Pty Ltd (2004 – present)
Member, BioGrid Management Committee (2004 – present)
Chairman, BioGrid Management Committee (2005 – 2009)

Meetings Attended: 14 of 15



Photo courtesy of The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research.

Dr Julian Clark BSc (Hon), PhD, MAICD, FTSE

Director since 26 March 2009

Head of Business Development, The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research

Director, Meditech Research Limited (2004–2006)

Director, Cancer Trials Australia Pty Ltd (2009 – present)
Director, BACE Therapeutics Pty Ltd (2009 – present)
Chairman/Member, Sansom Institute Advisory Committee,
University of South Australia (2006 – present)
Director, Julian Clark Consulting Pty Ltd (1999 – present)
Chief Executive Officer, Cancer Therapeutics CRC Pty Ltd (2007-2009)
Director, Alchemia Limited (2006–2008)
Director, Genera Biosystems Pty Ltd (2004–2007)

Meetings Attended: 14 of 15

The entity is incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* and is an entity limited by guarantee. As such, no shares are issued or held by directors. If the entity is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$10 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity. At 30 June 2010 the number of members was 21.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Company are data services that advances health research by linking privacy-protected and ethically approved clinical, imaging and biospecimen data among a wide network of health collaborators. During the year there was no significant change in the nature of those activities.

Dividends

The Company Constitution forbids the payment or distribution of any profits, income or assets to the members.

Directors remuneration

The directors did not receive remuneration from the Company with the exception of reimbursement of expenses relating to their director role.

Changes in state of affairs

During the year there was no significant change in the state of affairs of the Company other than that referred to in the financial statements or notes thereto.

Subsequent events

There has not been any matter or circumstances, other than that referred to in the financial statements or notes thereto, that has arisen since the end of the year, that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Company, or the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future years.

Future developments

Disclosure of information regarding likely developments in the operations of the Company in future years and the expected results of those operations is likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the Company. Accordingly, this information has not been disclosed in this report.

Environmental regulations

No matters or circumstances have arisen during the year to cause the directors to believe that the Company has not complied with environmental regulations under a law of the Commonwealth or of the State.

Indemnification of officers and auditors

During the year the Company paid a premium in respect of a contract insuring the directors of the Company, the Company secretary and all executive officers of the Company and of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such a director, secretary or executive officer to the extent permitted by the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The Company has not otherwise, during or since the year, indemnified or agreed to indemnify an officer or auditor of the Company or of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such an officer or auditor.

Auditor's independence declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 30 June 2010 has been received and can be found on page 14.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

On behalf of the Directors

Bryan Williams, Director
Melbourne. 15 October 2010



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Auditor's Independence Declaration

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2010 there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Saward Dawson Chartered Accountants

Tim Flowers

Blackburn

15 October 2010





Financial Report

Statement of Comprehensive Income For the Period Ended 30 June 2010

	Note	2010
Revenue	2	6,635,537
Professional fees		(35,272)
Consultant expenses		(2,142,866)
Bank charges		(84)
Matching and in kind contributions		(3,507,800)
License fees		(198,185)
Administrative expenses		(114,866)
Other expenses		(121,297)
Surplus from ordinary activities	3	515,167
Other comprehensive income		
Other comprehensive income	,	
Total comprehensive income for the period		515,167
Statement of Financial Position		
As at 30 June 2010		
	Note	2010
ASSETS		•
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	4	166,357
Trade and other receivables	5	1,655,689
Other assets	6	5,661
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,827,707
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
TOTAL ASSETS		1,827,707
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	7	63,914
ncome in advance	8	1,248,626
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,312,540
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	,	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,312,540
NIET ACCETO		515,167
NET ASSETS		
EQUITY		
		515,167

Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Period Ended 30 June 2010

2010	Retained Surpluses \$	Total
Balance at 26 March 2009	-	-
Surplus for the period	515,167	515,167
Balance at 30 June 2010	515,167	515,167

Statement of Cash Flows

For the Period Ended 30 June 2010

	Note	2010 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers		268,019
Payments to suppliers and employees		(101,662)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	9	166,357
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	_	166,357
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	4	166,357

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Period Ended 30 June 2010

Note 1 Accounting policies

1a General information

The directors have prepared the financial statements on the basis that the company is a non-reporting entity because there are no users who are dependent on its general purpose financial reports. These financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

BioGrid Australia Limited is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

1b Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the mandatory Australian Accounting Standards applicable to entities reporting under the Corporations Act 2001 and the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which the directors have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in notes. The material accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of this report are as follows:

1c Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

1d Income taxes

No current or deferred income tax assets or liabilities have been raised by the company as it is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act.

1e Revenue

Revenue from the rendering of services is recognised upon delivery of the service to customers.

Grant revenue is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income when the entity obtains control of the grant and it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the company and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

Note 1 Accounting policies continued

1f Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

Note 2 Revenue

Note	2010
	\$
2a	2,300,000
2b	3,507,800
2c	224,627
2d	603,110
	2a 2b 2c

Total Revenue 6,635,537

- 2a Government grants relate to Australian Cancer Grid Grant Income from the State of Victoria, managed by Melbourne Health on behalf of the members.
- 2b This represents Members matching in kind non-cash contributions under the Australia Cancer Grid funding agreement.
- 2c Income managed by Melbourne Health on behalf of the members and transferred to the company's bank account on 30 June 2010.
- 2d \$429,821 of other income relates to client contracts with BioGrid Australia Limited.

Note 3 Surplus from ordinary activities

Expenses	
Remuneration of auditor	
Auditing or reviewing the financial report	3,850
Other services	2,680
	6,530

Note 4 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank	1	66,357
		66,357

Note 5 Trade and other receivables

CURRENT		
Trade receivables		407,063
Receivable from Melbourne Health	5a	1,248,626
		1,655,689

5a Receivable from Melbourne Health

The company received funding from the State of Victoria for the Australian Cancer Grid Program. The balance of this funding is currently held by Melbourne Health.

Note 6 Other assets

CURRENT	
Prepayments	5,661
	5,661

Note 7 Trade and other payables

	Note	2010
CURRENT		\$
Unsecured liabilities		
GST payable		41,788
Accruals		22,126
		63,914
Note 8 Income in advance		
Government grants	5a	1,248,626
		1,248,626
Note 9 Cash flow information		
Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit after income tax		
Net income for the period		515,167
Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities		
Changes in assets and liabilities		
- (Increase)/decrease in trade and term receivables		(412,724)
- Increase/(decrease) in trade payables and accruals		63,914
		166 357

Note 10 Company details

The registered office of the company is:
BioGrid Australia Limited
6 North, Main Building, The Royal Melbourne Hospital
300 Grattan St, Parkville 3050
Victoria

Note 11 Members' guarantee

The company is incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* and is a company limited by guarantee. If the company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$10 each towards meeting any outstandings and obligations of the company. At 30 June 2010 the number of members was 21.

Directors' Declaration

The directors have determined that the company is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The directors of the company declare that:

- 1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 15 to 18, are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and: (a) comply with Accounting Standards; and
 - (b) give a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2010 and of its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.
- 2. In the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Emm PS Williams
Bryan Williams

Melbourne, 15 October 2010

Director

Robert Merriel

Director



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Independent Audit Report to the members of BioGrid Australia Limited

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of BioGrid Australia Limited (the company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2010, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

The Responsibility of the Director's for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the company's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting under the Corporations Act 2001. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, provided to the directors of BioGrid Australia Limited would be in the same terms if provided to the directors as at the date of this auditor's report.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion the financial report of BioGrid Australia Limited is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2010 and of its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1; and
- complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and complying with the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Tim Flowers

Blackburn 15 October 2010





BioGrid Members*

Adelaide Health Service

Health Service)

Eastern Health

Northern Health

The Northern Hospital

St Vincent's Hospital,

Melbourne

Angliss Hospital

Box Hill Hospital Healesville Hospital Maroondah Hospital

Royal Adelaide Hospital Lyell McEwin Hospital The Queen Elizabeth Hospital

(Central Northern Adelaide

eastern**health**



ACT Health

Canberra Hospital



Bendigo Health

Bendigo Hospital





MELBOURNE HEALTH

Melbourne Health

The Royal Melbourne Hospital



Southern Health

Monash Medical Centre Clayton Monash Medical Centre Moorabbin Casey Hospital Dandenong Hospital



The University of Melbourne



The University of **New South Wales**

Alfred Health

AlfredHealth

The Alfred Caulfield Hospital Sandringham Hospital



Goulburn Valley Health

Goulburn Valley Hospital



Peninsula Health

Frankston Hospital Rosebud Hospital



Royal Hobart Hospital Launceston General Hospital

Walter+Eliza Hall



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Austin Hospital Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital



Latrobe Regional Hospital



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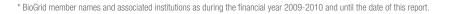


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