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New virus could change the way kidney disease is treated



Scientists say they've discovered a tiny virus that causes kidney disease in mice. Chronic kidney disease is a significant public health burden, affecting one in ten Australian adults.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people experience a higher burden of disease - two and a half times that of non-Indigenous people but this discovery has given researchers hope they can now find new ways to treat the disease in people.

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Louise Vasta, Brisbane woman with kidney disease

Doctor Lszek Lisowski, group leader of the translational vectorology team, Children's Medical Research Institute

Dr Ben Roedriger, head of the Skin Imaging and Inflammation Laboratory, Centenary Institute in Sydney

Dr Shilpa Jesudason, clinical director, Kidney Health Australia

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