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RCHT to benefit from £15k specialist equipment



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A NATIONAL charity has donated £15,000 worth of specialist equipment to the dermatology unit at the Royal Cornwall Hospitals Trust.

The gift by PDT for Cancer Cure was in acknowledgement of the hospital's ground-breaking research into the use of photodynamic therapy (PDT) in the treatment of skin cancer.



Sandra Campbell, Alison Curnow, Bill and Barbara Loryman, with equipment donated by PDT for Cancer Cure.

With the highest incidence of skin cancer in the UK, dermatology experts at the RCHT are widely respected for their studies looking at environmental causes and in particular the use of PDT in the treatment of the disease.

For many years it has meant that patients have been able to benefit from leading edge treatments and this new equipment will allow them to develop even better techniques.



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Alison Curnow, who has led skin cancer research studies in Cornwall for 14 years, said: "Thanks to PDT for Cancer Cure, the dermatology unit at the Royal Cornwall Hospital is among the first in the UK to take delivery of this latest equipment. As well as the enormous benefits for patients, it opens new avenues in terms of research into new treatments for skin cancer."

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