



HOUSE OF COMMONS

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The Rt Hon Sir Keir Starmer KCB KC MP  
10 Downing Street  
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Dear Prime Minister,

Re: Please support the Lobular Moon Shot Project

I am writing to urge you to give your personal support to the call for an initial £20 million research fund over 5 years to establish a UK-led collaborative approach to address the unmet clinical need of Invasive Lobular Breast Cancer (ILC). As you may know, lobular was first discovered in 1941 and is more common in women than ovarian, brain, kidney, pancreatic and liver cancer. Yet, shockingly, it has no specific treatment, including because the biology of the disease needs to be much better understood. Lobular rarely forms a lump, so is often not detected with mammograms and ultrasound, and it's frequently diagnosed later too. All of which adds up to longer term poorer outcomes for those with this understudied form of cancer.

I am sure you will agree that things need to change – and that it's time for a Moon Shot style approach to move our understanding of the disease forward at a much greater pace.

On July 14<sup>th</sup>, the Secretary of State for Health is meeting with Lobular Moon Shot Project campaigners, representing my constituents, to hear the case for investment in this neglected aspect of women's health. Please will you take this opportunity to signal your support for the campaign and for research funding that has the potential to positively change the outcomes for the 3.75 million people who will be diagnosed with this cancer in the next 10 years.

Yours sincerely

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