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Dr Ben Hunt is a respected cardiologist and cardiac electrophysiologist who has had a private practice at the Pindara and John Flynn Hospitals on the Gold Coast since 2013.

Dr Hunt specialises in treating atrial fibrillation (AF) – a chronic, progressive disease caused by poor atrial contraction (the top heart chamber)¹ – representing the most common type of arrhythmia, involving an irregular and often rapid heart beat.²⁻⁴

He also treats all other heart rhythm disorders, for which he performs ablation, and further specialises in the implantation and management of pacemakers and defibrillators.

Dr Hunt graduated from the University of Queensland with a Bachelor of Science in 1997 and a Bachelor of Medicine, and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) in 2002.

In 2009, he registered as a cardiologist after completing his advanced cardiology training at the Princess Alexandra and The Prince Charles Hospitals, Brisbane. In 2011, he completed a two-year fellowship in Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology at the Foothills Hospital, Calgary, Canada, performing AF and supraventricular tachycardia (SVT) ablations (a treatment for fast rhythms that effect the heart's upper chambers), as well as complex device implantations and extractions.

Dr Hunt has served on a number of committees, including the National Cardiology Advisory board for Ramsay Health Care. He was awarded Fellowship to the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (FRACP) in 2009; a Fellowship in Pacing and Electrophysiology at the Canadian Foothills Hospital between 2010-2011; and was granted Fellowship to the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand (CSANZ) in 2012.

"Atrial fibrillation is an often unrecognised cause of fatigue, shortness of breath and a decreased exercise capacity. So often I hear patients tell me "I'm just getting old" when in fact they are suffering from atrial fibrillation. Highly effective treatments are available. If we can increase awareness, we can get these people the help they need," said Dr Hunt.

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