

SPEAKER PROFILES

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David C. W. Lau, MD, PhD, FRCPC

Dr. David Lau is Professor of Medicine, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, and Cardiac Sciences at the University of Calgary. He is currently the Editor-in-Chief of the Canadian Journal of Diabetes, President of Obesity Canada, and Vice-President of the Canadian Association of Bariatric Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Lau is a practicing endocrinologist who specializes in diabetes, obesity and lipid disorders. His research interests include fat cell biology in health and obesity, development of insulin resistance in obesity and diabetes, and cellular mechanisms of diabetic vascular complications. He is also involved in population health and clinical research programs in diabetes, obesity and lipid disorders. Dr. Lau has published over 100 scientific papers in peer-reviewed medical journals, periodicals and books.

Dr. Lau was Chair of the evidence-based Obesity Canada Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPG) Steering Committee and Expert Panel, and lead author of the 2007 CPG publication in the Can. Med. Assoc. Journal. Dr. Lau was a member of the 1998, 2003 and 2008 Canadian Diabetes Association Clinical Practice Guidelines Expert Panel, as well as the expert panel of the 2009 Canadian Cardiovascular Society Guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of dyslipidemia and prevention of cardiovascular disease in the adult. Dr. Lau is a member of the expert panel committee on the 2013 CDA CPG as well as the 2012 Canadian dyslipidemia CPD update.

In 2004, Dr. Lau was honored as the top 20 notable Calgarians, and top 50 Albertans for his exemplary contributions to improve the health of Albertans.



Jose Lança, MD, PhD

Dr. Jose Lança, MD, PhD is an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine (Dept. of Pharmacology and Toxicology) and Faculty of Dentistry (Clinical Pharmacology) at the University of Toronto. He lectures extensively and coordinates several courses at the Undergraduate and Graduate/Postgraduate levels, as well as Continuing Medical and Dental Education. Dr. Lança has conducted research in various areas including neuropharmacology, pharmacology of drug addiction, herbal medications and hyperlipidemias. He has published extensively, including six chapters in Medical Pharmacology textbooks.



John Crosby, MD, FRCP (C)

Dr. John Crosby has been a family physician for 20 years in Cambridge, Ontario and before that an emergency physician for 20 years.

He has his FRCP(C) in emergency medicine and is an assistant professor of medicine at the University of Toronto and family medicine at McMaster University in Hamilton and Queen's University in Kingston.

He has been a medical consultant for Emergency Services for the Province of Ontario and director of the Oakville Emergency department.

He is a medical consultant for emergency wait times at the Cambridge Memorial Hospital, medical director at two nursing homes and a blogger for the Medical Post magazine.

Dr. Crosby has lectured world wide on time and stress management for doctors and mentors family Physicians and internists on office efficiency.

He is married with 3 sons and practices what he preaches.