

Biography –Professor Stephen G Spiro



Professor Stephen Spiro is head of the Department of Thoracic Medicine at University College London Hospitals NHS Trust. He was Medical Director (Medicine) from 2001 to 2002. He is a former president of the European Respiratory Society (1996-97) and a former editor of *Thorax*, the official journal of the British Thoracic Society, (1991-96). He was Chair of the Royal College of Physicians Subcommittee on Respiratory Medicine (1997-2001). He was President of the British Thoracic Society (2003-2004).

He is Clinical Director of the Centre for Respiratory Research, Rayne Institute, UCL. With the Centre Director, Professor Geoffrey Laurent, he is responsible for maintaining this Centre which employs 35 scientists and includes several specialist registrars pursuing PhDs. His major interests include clinical trials in lung cancer and he is Chair of the London Lung Cancer Group, a national clinical trials group in the United Kingdom. He also participates on other international bodies concerned with the treatment of lung cancer. His other research interests include respiratory physiology and sleep disordered breathing.

He has been a consultant physician since 1977, initially at the Royal Brompton Hospital and University College Hospital (1977-94) and, since 1994, at University College London Hospitals NHS Trust.