Previous Kaufman Lecturers

- 2013 Randy Gascoyne, University of British Columbia, BC Cancer Agency and BC Cancer Research Centre, Vancouver, BC
- 2011 Thomas Hudson, President and Scientific Director, The Ontario Institute for Cancer Research, Toronto, ON
- 2006 David Huntsman, University of British Columbia and the BC Cancer Agency, Vancouver
- 2004 Dietrich Keppler, German Cancer Centre and University of Heidelberg, Heidelberg, Germany
- 2003 Ulf Lindahl, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden
- 2002 Janet Rossant, Samuel Lunenfeld Research Institute, Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto
- 2000 Errol Friedberg, Southwestern Medical School, TX



DEPARTMENT OF PATHOLOGY AND MOLECULAR MEDICINE

THE EIGHTH NATHAN KAUFMAN VISITING LECTURER

Professor JOHN BARTLETT, BSc, PhD FRCPath

Director, Transformative Pathology, Ontario Institute for Cancer Research (OICR), Toronto, ON Honorary Professor, College of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, The University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK

"If breast cancers are rare diseases – how will we treat them?"

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Professor John Bartlett

Professor John Bartlett obtained his BSc in Biochemistry from the University of Bath and his PhD in Reproductive Endocrinology from the University of Edinburgh, UK. Following his academic training as a Biochemist and Reproductive Endocrinologist, Professor Bartlett switched to translational cancer research in 1990.

During his time at Glasgow and Edinburgh Universities (1993-2011), John built an international reputation as a translational research scientist, which led to the award of a Fellowship of the Royal College of Pathologists and a Personal Chair at Edinburgh University. During this time, he also developed the UK NEQAS scheme for HER2 ISH testing and was responsible for a number of key publications in the field.

In 2011, Dr. Bartlett became Director of the Ontario Institute for Cancer Research's Transformative Pathology Platform and the Ontario Tumour Bank. He is developing new diagnostic approaches to improve patient diagnosis and treatment.

By gaining an understanding of the molecular complexity of cancer, accurate diagnostic approaches can be developed to ensure that patients receive the most appropriate treatment. Novel diagnostic tools are required to accurately identify molecular subtypes of cancer and to predict the effectiveness of treatment.

Dr. Bartlett has contributed to the development of translational research within multi-centre clinical trials, several of which have led to new insights into selecting appropriate therapeutics for breast cancer patients. He aims to foster research in other laboratories across the province to accelerate the discovery of novel diagnostics for cancer.

Professor Bartlett has now published over 200 peer-reviewed research articles and is co-author on the UK guidelines for HER2 testing.

Dr. Nathan Kaufman

Nathan Kaufman was born in Lachine, Quebec and educated at McGill University, graduating with a medical degree in 1941. He interned at the Royal Victoria Hospital and then served as a Medical Officer to a tank battalion in Western Europe and was honoured with a MBE. After 18 months as a pathology resident at the Jewish General in Montreal he moved with his wife Rita to the Cleveland Metropolitan General Hospital to complete his residency. He then joined the Faculty at Case Western and embarked on a successful career in iron metabolism research, medical education and laboratory administration. In 1967, after 7 years as a Professor at Duke University, he was recruited by Dean Harry Botterell to succeed Bob More as the Head of Pathology at Queen's.

His accomplishments at Queen's were numerous. They included the development of the NCIC Cancer Research Unit, recruitment and nurturing of many current senior faculty, distinguished service to senior committees of the Hospital, University and the MRC (now CIHR), and expansion of our research capability and residency program.

During his 12 years at Queen's, Dr. Kaufman became recognized internationally for his distinguished leadership as Editor of Laboratory Investigation, President of the US-Canadian Academy of Pathology and the International Academy of Pathology.

On leaving Queen's he moved to Augusta as the first full-time Secretary/Treasurer of the USCAP. He has been recognized by the USCAP for his numerous contributions, most recently with the establishment of the annual Nathan Kaufman Timely Topics Lecture.

Through this lectureship the Department honours Nathan Kaufman's extraordinary influence in shaping the scholarly life of our department and his contribution to our specialty internationally.