

Peter David Paré, MD

Dr. Peter D. Paré's research expertise is in the study of the physiological assessment, pathophysiology and more latterly the genetics of asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

He earned his medical degree from McGill University in Montreal in 1969. His residency training was done at the Royal Victoria Hospital and the University of Nairobi before completing a two year postdoctoral fellowship at the Meakins Christie Laboratories.

Dr. Peter D. Paré is currently Professor in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia. He was the division head and training program director of the UBC respiratory division between 1983 and 1994. He recently stepped down from the position of Director, The James Hogg iCAPTURE Centre for Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Research, located at St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver (2000-2005) and also the Program Director of the Clinical Investigators Program for the Faculty of Medicine at UBC. He was President of the Canadian Thoracic Society and was for 5 years, Chairman of the Canadian Thoracic Society's National Grant review committee. He is the recipient of the Jacob Churg Distinguished Researcher award and a Michael Smith Distinguished Scholar, Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research.

Dr Paré has published over 300 peer reviewed papers. His research focuses on the mechanisms of airway narrowing in asthma and COPD, the bronchial microcirculation, the use of CT scanning to assess lung structure and the genetics of lung disease. Dr Paré has trained more than 40 clinical and basic science faculty members. In addition to his original research and training Dr Paré is one of the four co-authors of the Diagnosis of Diseases of the Chest a widely used four volume text on the diagnosis lung disease.

In his spare time he and his wife Lisa Baile, also a lung researcher built a log home on Pender Island in the Gulf of Georgia between Vancouver and Victoria. He and Lisa also, hike, ski and kayak.