

Radium Hospital Foundation Guest Lecture

Viruses, Cancer, AIDS – Perspectives from Past and Prospects for the Future

Robert C Gallo, MD

Institute of Human Virology - University of Maryland

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Auditorium, Institute for Cancer Research

Oslo University Hospital - Radiumhospitalet



Radium Hospital Foundation and the Institute for Cancer Research, OUS – Division of Cancer Medicine, Surgery and Transplantation, are pleased to announce Robert C Gallo, MD, as distinguished guest speaker on October 3rd, 2011. Dr Gallo has co-authored more than 1200 scientific publications in the fields of virology and immunology. He became world famous in 1984 as co-discoverer of HIV being the cause of AIDS. Dr Gallo and his co-workers pioneered the research on retroviruses in human disease, resulting in the identification of Human T-cell leukemia virus 1 (HTLV-1), Interleukin-2, and Human Herpes Virus 6 (HHV-6). His work has made major contributions to the diagnosis and treatment of deadly diseases such as cancer and AIDS.

Dr Gallo has been the most cited scientist in the world in the 1980s and 1990s and is recipient of numerous honors, including twice America's most prestigious scientific award -The Albert Lasker Award in Medicine (1982 and 1986). In 1996, after 30 years at the National Institute of Health, Dr Gallo became director of the Institute of Human Virology (IHV) at the University of Maryland. The IHV is a first-of-its-kind virology center that combines the disciplines of research, patient care and prevention programs. Dedicated to the understanding, preventing and controlling of viral disease threats to mankind, Dr Gallo and the Institute of Human Virology initiated several global health programs. The most recent being the Global Virus Network, an independent organization bringing together the scientific expertise of leading medical virologist from more than a dozen countries as a global authority and resource for the identification, investigation, and control of viral diseases.



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