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Research/Academic Interests

Dr. de Vere White is the Senior Advisor Emeritus, and Emeritus Distinguished professor of urology. Prior to retiring, he served as the associate dean for cancer programs at UC Davis School of Medicine, director of the UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center and was a distinguished professor of urology. He received his medical degree from Dublin University in Dublin, Ireland, and completed an internship and residencies in surgery and urology at St. Vincent's Hospital in Dublin and at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, NC.

The author of more than 300 peer-reviewed scientific articles and book chapters, Dr. de Vere White has served on the editorial boards of six international scientific journals. Post-retirement, his research efforts are now focused on the molecular events that govern the response of prostate and bladder cancer to targeted therapies, the biomolecular mechanisms that make some prostate cancers more virulent than others, and new methods of diagnosing and treating prostate cancer. He is the past president-elect of the Society of Urologic Oncology, a member of the Clinical Society of Genitourinary Surgeons and an elected member of the prestigious American Association of Genitourinary Surgeons. He has been named multiple times as one of "The Best Doctors in America" and is one of four urologists serving as a volunteer consultant to the American Cancer Society's on-line "Experts Answers" bulletin board for questions about prostate cancer.

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Residency

Duke University Medical Center, Durham NC 1974-1977
St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin, Ireland, 1970-1974

Board Certifications

American Board of Urology, 1979

Professional Memberships

American Academy of Clinical Urologists
American Association of Anatomists
American Association of Genitourinary Surgeons
American Cancer Society
American Fertility Society
American Medical Association
American Urological Association
Northern California Oncology Group
Northern California Urological Society
Past President, Society of Urologic Oncology

Honors and Awards

Huggins Award for Lifetime Achievement, 2013
Komen Promise Award, 2012
Healthcare Hero, Sacramento Business Journal, 2012
Elected to "Best Doctors in America", Best Doctors Inc., 2012
UC Davis School of Medicine Research Award, 2011
UCDMG Most Distinguished Graduate Award, Dublin Ireland, 2006
Listed in 2005-2006 "The Best Doctors in America" national reference directory (Woodward White Inc., publishers), 2005
Excellence in Mentoring Prize, UC Davis School of Medicine, 2004
"Spirit Project," State of California Lieutenant Governor, Cruz M Bustamante, 2003
Strathmore's "Who's Who" Lifetime Member Award, 2003

Select Recent Publications

Amir S, Ma A-H, Shi X-B, Xue L, Kung H-J, et al. (2013) Oncomir miR-125b Suppresses p14ARF to Modulate p53-Dependent and p53-Independent Apoptosis in Prostate Cancer. PLoS ONE 8(4): e61064. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0061064

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Jacobson MC, deVere White RW and Demos SG. In vivo testing of a prototype system providing simultaneous white light and near infrared autofluorescence image acquisition for detection of bladder cancer. *Journal of Biomedical Optics*, 17(3). (2012)

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