



Accreditation Commission on Colleges of Medicine

Brief Biography

David T. Croke

Description: Biochemistry and Genetics

Professional Occupation: Director of Quality Enhancement & Professor of Biochemistry, The Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

Academic Qualifications: MA, PhD, FRCPath.

Academic and Assessment Experience: David Croke is a graduate of Trinity College Dublin in Biochemistry and Genetics, and is a Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists. Following post-doctoral research appointments as an EMBO Research Fellow at the Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle (Paris) and as a consultant to the Biotechnology Division of the United Nations International Development Organisation (Vienna), he joined the staff of RCSI where he is Professor of Biochemistry.

Elected to Fellowship of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Ireland (1996), elected President of the Biological Society of the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons (1999), appointed a member of the Scientific Advisory Board of EiRx Therapeutics Ltd. (1999), appointed inaugural Sir Thomas Myles Lecturer, University of Limerick (2000) and appointed Visiting Professor at the Università di Ferrara, Italy (2003).

From 2006-2010, Prof. Croke served as Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences and Junior Cycle Director. Prof. Croke was Institutional Lead for Quality Assurance in the review process leading to the activation of RCSI independent degree-awarding powers, and in late 2010, was appointed Director of Quality Enhancement through an open competitive appointment process.

Since then, he has led the establishment of the RCSI Quality Enhancement Office and the implementation of quality assurance/quality improvement policies, procedures and structures encompassing the undergraduate, postgraduate and professional activities of RCSI, both in Ireland and on its international campuses.

In parallel, Prof. Croke serves as a consultant to a number of Irish postgraduate medical training bodies and is Chair of the Internal Quality Assurance Committee for the Intercollegiate Membership (MRCS) examinations in Surgery of the four surgical Royal Colleges of Britain & Ireland.

Publications: 50 research papers and supervising twenty-five higher degree candidates (17 PhD, 1 MD, 6 MSc, 1 MCh).

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