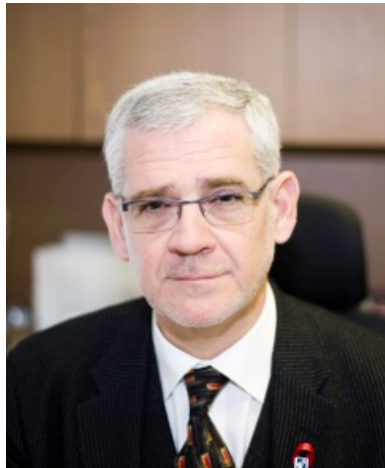


## Biography

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**Dr. Julio Montaner (MD, FRCPC, FCCP, FACP, FRSC)** has been dedicated to improving the care and treatment of HIV/AIDS infected people for nearly three decades. Currently, Dr. Montaner is a Professor of Medicine, Chair of AIDS Research, and Head of the Division of AIDS in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia (UBC). He is also the Director of British Columbia Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS (BC-CFE), a program at St. Paul's Hospital (SPH), Providence Health Care (PHC); the National Co-Director of the Canadian HIV Trials Network and a Past President of the International AIDS Society (IAS). All of his roles lend themselves to support his clinical-based research and implementation of optimal care for his patients living with HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Montaner was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina and completed his MD with Honors at the University of Buenos Aires (UBA) in 1979. He completed a rotating internship and full year of training in Internal Medicine at UBA before moving to Canada to complete a two-year Post Doctoral Fellowship at the UBC-Pulmonary Research Laboratory at SPH in Vancouver. In 1983, Dr. Montaner became a clinician-scientist and entered the residency program in Internal Medicine at UBC. In 1987 he obtained the Canadian Specialty (FRCPC) while holding the role of UBC Chief-Resident at SPH. In 1988 he was appointed Clinical Instructor in the Department of Medicine at UBC as well as Director of AIDS Research and Director of the HIV Clinic at SPH. Dr. Montaner became Professor of Medicine at UBC in 1997 and Director of the BC-CFE in 2004. He is responsible for the creation of the Division of AIDS at UBC in 2007, which is the only one in Canada and one of only three in the world. Dr. Montaner was elected President-Elect of the International AIDS Society (IAS) in 2006 and assumed the role of President following the 2008 IAS Conference in Mexico. He led the IAS as President until 2010, and completed his term as Past President of the IAS in 2012.

Dr. Montaner has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors, some of which include: the 1996 Martin Hoffman Award for Excellence in Research, Department of Medicine, UBC; 2004 Distinguished Service Award, Department of Medicine, SPH, PHC; 2004 Betty Fata Award for Conference Leadership; 2005 Donald M. Whitelaw Award for Outstanding Grand Rounds, Department of Medicine, UBC; 2007 Distinguished Achievement Award for Overall Excellence, Faculty of Medicine, UBC; 2008 National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) inaugural Avant-Garde Award (\$2.5 million dollars over 5 years); 2002 Boehringer Ingelheim-Distinguished Researcher Award; 2002 AccolAIDS-Science, Research and Technology Award (\$2,000,000); 2002 Solutions Through Research Award, Science Council of British Columbia; 2005 AccolAIDS-Science/Research/Technology (Organization: BC-CfE); 2005 The Mark Wainberg Lecture (Research Award), 14th Annual Canadian Conference on HIV/AIDS Research (CAHR); 2006 Grant-in-Aid Research Award of \$600,000 from Roche Laboratories; 2006 Sanofi Pasteur Award: Conquering HIV/AIDS-Recognizing Canadians Who Make a Difference; 2007 UBC Killam Prize for Senior Science Category (\$5,000); 2007 UBC Distinguished Medical Research Lecturer Award in Clinical Research, Faculty of Medicine Research Council; 2009 LifeSciences BC Leadership Award; and the 2009 CIHR Knowledge Translation Award; 2010 Aubrey J. Tingle Prize for Outstanding Leadership; 2010 Albert Einstein World Award for Science; 2011 Jacob Biely Research Prize; 2013 Frederic Newton Gisborne Starr Award, Canadian Medical Association; 2013 HRF Medal of Honour, Rx&D Health Research Foundation; 2015 Royal Society of Canada McLaughlin Medal, 2015 Barer-Flood Prize; and a 2016 UBC University Killam Professorship.

In addition Dr. Montaner has also been the recipient of a number of distinctions: 2006 *Clinical Infectious Diseases* Award for Outstanding Review (SWAN Study: AI424-097); 2007 AccolAIDS Award in the category of Social/Political/Community Action, BC Persons with AIDS Society; 2007 Head of Division of AIDS; Fellow of the Canadian College of Physicians, 2009 Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada; 2010 Fellow of the American College of Physicians; 2010 Order of British Columbia; 2012 Grand Decoration of Honour of Austria; a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal; Honorary Degrees from Simon Fraser University (2010), Cordoba University (2012) and Douglas College (2014); 2014 Officer to the Order of Canada; and nominated to the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame in October 2014.