

# Pedro Cuatrecasas

Dr. Pedro Cuatrecasas was born on September 27, 1936 in Madrid Spain. He completed his A.B. degree (1958) and M.D. degree (1962) at Washington University in St. Louis. From 1962-1964 Dr. Cuatrecasas did his internship and residency in Internal Medicine at Johns Hopkins Hospital. In 1964 he joined the staff at the National Institute of Arthritis and Metabolic Diseases, where he worked until 1970 when he joined the faculty at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. In 1975 Dr. Cuatrecasas left Johns Hopkins to become Vice President of Research, Development and Medical at the Wellcome Research Laboratories, Burroughs Wellcome Co.

During Dr. Cuatrecasas' distinguished career, he has received numerous honors and awards including The John Jacob Abel Prize in Pharmacology (1972), Eli Lilly Award of the American Diabetic Association (1975), Laude Prize, by Pharmaceutical World, for most distinguished international medical pharmaceutical research (1975) and the Beerman Award from the Society of Investigative Dermatology (1981). Dr. Cuatrecasas has delivered numerous plenary and invited lectures and he holds membership in many societies and professional organizations. He also currently serves on the Editorial Board of numerous scientific journals.

Dr. Cuatrecasas' current research interests include the mechanism of action of hormones, with particular emphasis on the biological receptors. The emphasis of his presentation at the University of Kansas will be receptor aggregation and internalization and their application to peptide hormones, chemotactic peptides and opiates. His research efforts have resulted in over 300 scientific publications and 90 abstracts.