

Academic and Professional Achievements of Dr. Naranjan S. Dhalla

1. Naranjan Dhalla is a Distinguished Professor of the University of Manitoba at the St. Boniface Hospital Research Centre in Winnipeg. In view of his dedicated services and high profile leadership qualities, he is known for promoting cardiovascular science and medicine all over the world.
2. In his capacity as Secretary General and then as President during 1972-1995, he developed and promoted the International Society for Heart Research for the exchange of scientific information and to foster research collaborations. He also founded the International Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences for promoting education and research and has been serving as Executive Director since 1996.
3. He has been serving as Editor-in-Chief of a major international journal “Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry” for the past 26 years. He has edited/authored 50 books in the area of cardiovascular health and disease, primarily for the benefit of developing investigators.
4. He has given 526 invited talks at national and international conferences and symposia as well as academic institutions around the globe. He has organized (as Chairman) 12 highly successful conferences in Winnipeg, which were attended by 400 to 2,000 established and young investigators, in addition to serving as a Member for the organization of another 106 international meetings for the past 40 years.
5. He has published more than 776 full length research papers and review articles on the pathophysiology and pharmacology of heart failure, ischemic heart disease and diabetic cardiomyopathy throughout his professional career and his work has been cited more than 14,000 times in the literature.
6. He has trained 161 graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and visiting scientists in the field of experimental cardiology. He served as Founding Director of the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences for 19 years and recruited several highly talented investigators with diverse expertise in biomedical sciences to build a multidisciplinary centre for the prevention and therapy of heart disease.