

## About Partners In Research

Our mandate is to educate the public about the history, achievements and promise of health research.

### Our goals are these:

To provide evidence-based information about the importance and promise of health research, of which every Canadian is the beneficiary.

To build and strengthen partnerships with the health research community, industry and health-related organizations.

To provide a forum for our researchers to communicate publicly about the nature and importance of their research.

To stimulate interest in - and encourage the pursuit of - health research, particularly among our youth.

To celebrate the achievements of Canadian health research.

We are actively delivering on an exciting new educational initiative entitled "Virtual Researcher On Call" (or VROC) which, enables a Canadian researcher to speak inter-actively via webcam from his or her setting with a classroom in any Canadian location with compatible technology, in the official language of choice.

For more information, please visit our website at

[www.vroc.ca](http://www.vroc.ca)  
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## Our National Patrons

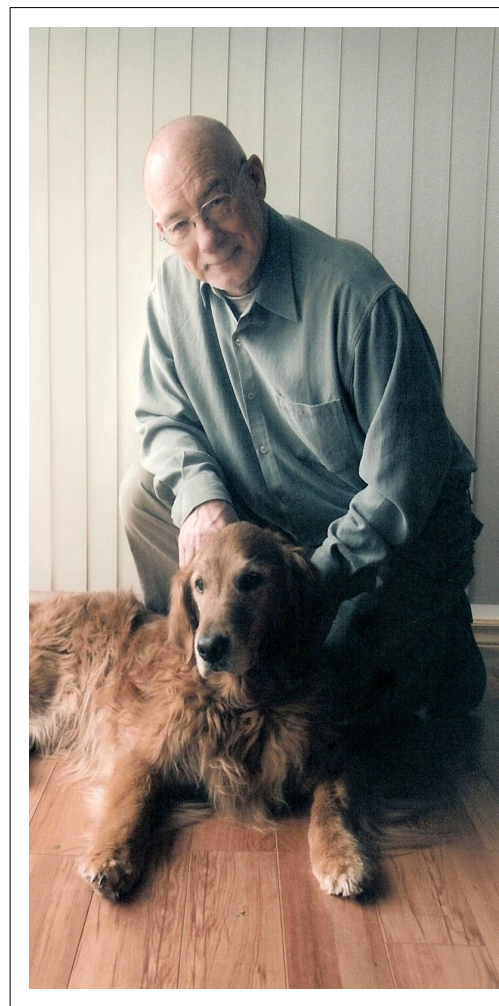
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Front Cover: Douglas Cassan, born a "blue baby" and alive today as a result of biomedical research, with Luke, who - like his master - owed his life to health research. [Photo courtesy of Cam Paton]

## Partners In Research Speakers Bureau



## Health Research, Medical Miracles and You

## World-Class Speakers for your Club or Group!

Partners In Research, a charitable organization with a mandate to educate about health research in all its aspects, has a Speakers Bureau with some of the best scientists and researchers in Canada.

These world-class scientists volunteer their time to share their enthusiasm about some of the most advanced research into:

- Cancer
- Spinal cord injuries
- Neurological disorders
- Organ transplants
- Revolutionary advances in cardiac surgery
- Diet and heart disease
- and much more....

## Our Speakers:

- Are excellent communicators
- Are enthusiastic about their area of expertise
- Enjoy speaking to community groups
- Inspire young people in schools
- Skilfully communicate complex ideas
- Use vivid visuals with their presentations
- Educate and entertain

## A Sampling of Speaker Topics:

- **Vaccines: Bugs and Benefits**
- **The Zombie Within: The Brain, Sight and Perception**
- **New Hope for Patients with Spinal Cord Injuries**
- **Stem Cells and Diabetes: Start Small**
- **Passionate Lives: The Women Nobel Laureates of Medicine and the Sciences**
- **Antibiotic Resistance: Are We Losing the Battle?**
- **Does Your Heart Have Rhythm? Electricity in the Heart**
- **Transplants: Let's Talk Heart to Heart**
- **Virtual Reality and Surgery**
- **Are We Really What We Eat?**
- **Baby's First Breath: Premature Birth and Breathing Problems**
- **The Role of Imaging in Modern Medicine**
- **The Use of Viruses for Good and Evil**

## How do I Book a Speaker for My Group?

- Telephone or email Partners In Research (please see below)
- Ask for the Speakers Bureau Coordinator
- The coordinator will contact you to discuss your needs
- The speaker you choose will be contacted to set up a mutually-convenient speaking date
- The Coordinator will liaise with you regarding details of the speaking engagement
- A member of Partners In Research will accompany the speaker and introduce her or him
- The Speaker Bureau Coordinator can supply you with a booklet listing additional topics offered by the speakers, and a resume of their academic background

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**We'll be happy  
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