



The Richard Doll Seminars in Public Health & Epidemiology

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“Is COPD really such a
boring disease?
The global epidemiology of
chronic lung disease”

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Professor Peter Burney is Professor of Respiratory Epidemiology and Public Health at the National Heart and Lung Institute, and Honorary Consultant Physician at the Royal Brompton Hospital, London.



After a first degree in modern history at Oxford University, Professor Burney trained in medicine at the Middlesex Hospital Medical School, later training in public health with Professor Holland at St Thomas' Hospital Medical School. In 1995 he was appointed to the Chair in Public Health Medicine at UMDS, subsequently becoming head of the Division of Public Health and Primary Care at King's College. In the same year he became director of the Department of Health funded Social Medicine and Health Services Research Unit, and in 2006 moved to the National Heart Lung Institute as Professor of Respiratory Epidemiology and Public Health.

Professor Burney's research interests are mainly in the epidemiology of asthma and COPD. He started the European Community Respiratory Health Survey (ECRHS) in the late 1980s and currently co-ordinates the Burden of Obstructive Lung Disease (BOLD) programme. In addition to the ECRHS he co-ordinated EU funded surveys on allergy and asthma for the GA2LEN network of excellence and on Food Allergy for the EuroPrevall integrated project. He is a principal investigator with the MRC-HPA Centre for Environment and Health and the Wellcome Centre for Global Health. He co-chaired the Global Burden of Disease working group on chronic respiratory disease.