

Professor Nicholas White has lived and worked for more than half of his life in Thailand, when he arrived in Thailand in 1980 drug resistant malaria was a significant health problem in Thailand, but with advances in treatment and improved public health, malaria has been driven out to the border areas. Professor Nicholas White is currently a Professor of Tropical Medicine at the Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University and Oxford University, and is also a Consultant Physician at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, UK. Professor White chairs the Wellcome Trust Tropical Medicine Research Programme in South-East Asia, and the Oxford Tropical Medicine Network (encompassing research groups in Thailand, Vietnam, Laos, Kenya and The Gambia). His principal research

interests are malaria, particularly the pathophysiology and treatment of malaria, and also other severe tropical infectious diseases (melioidosis, typhoid, pyogenic, tuberculous and fungal meningitis, dengue, viral encephalitis, pneumococcal infections, diphtheria, and tetanus). Thailand has been one of the leading countries conducting research on malaria and he is very privileged to have played a small part in this continuing effort. Much still remains to be done.

He is currently on the Editorial or Advisory Boards of 19 scientific journals including The Lancet, PLOS Medicine, the European Journal of Clinical Pharmacology and Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy. He has published over 1049 scientific papers and over 52 book chapters.