# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

# **Professor Robert J Thomas**

# QUALIFICATIONS

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### **CURRENT POSITION**

Visiting Professor Cranfield University Consultant Clinical Oncologist Bedford and Addenbrooke's Cambridge University NHS Trusts

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# PERSONAL DETAILS

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#### Prizes

- Roche, MD Anderson, BOA Junior clinical research prize 1994.
- The Northwest travelling fellowship 1995.
- BUPA Foundation communication prize 1999
- BUPA foundation communication sponsorship award 1999
- BMA book prize for patient information 1999
- BMA video prize 2000
- Hospital Doctor Magazine innovation category winner 2000
- Hospital Doctor Magazine Doctor of the year 2000/1
- Law Society Rugby Club Player of the year 2005
- NHS communication research prize 2001
- British Oncology Association, Oncologist of the year 2006/7

# PRESENT APPOINTMENT

Addenbrooke's Hospital Cambridge University NHS Trust, two days a week, treating patients with intensity modulated, image guided and conformal radiotherapy, tomotherapy and I<sup>125</sup>bracytherapy, participating in quality assurance, patient safety and audit programmes. The post also involves teaching undergraduate medical students, in the role of formal clinical teacher, and participating in the postgraduate lecture educational series.

**Bedford Hospital NHS Trust**, three days a week, managing NHS and private patients with oncological emergencies, chemotherapy, biological, hormone and interventional therapies. The post involves being clinical, chemotherapy and research leads. Specialist interests, originally included lymphoma, Hogkin's Disease, upper GI, lung and brain cancers but now multidisciplinary management is confined to urological, breast, skin and lower GI malignancies.

**Visiting professor Cranfield University**, involving formal lectures, supervision of Msc and PhD translational medicine and health economic students.

# **POSTGRADUATE APPOINTMENTS**

House Officer and Senior House Officer Rotations Leicester, Derby Hospitals and Nottingham Hospitals	1.8.84 to 31.7.1987
General and Medical Oncology Registrar The Lister Hospital, Stevenage.	1.08.87 to 1.10.88
<b>Clinical Oncology Registrar Rotations</b> Mount Vernon, Middlesex and Royal Free Hospitals	1.10.88 to 13.01.92
Research Fellow / Honarary Senior registrar The National Hospital, Institute of Neurology, Queen Square. The Royal Marsden, Institute of Cancer Research.	15.11.92 to 28.2.94
Clinical Oncology Senior Registrar Rotation The Royal Marsden Hospitals.	1.03.94 to 1.8.96
Clinical Oncology Consultant Addenbrooke's and Bedford Hospitals Cambridge University Trusts	1.8.96 to present

#### MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT EXPERIENCE

**The Primrose Ocology Unit:** As clinical and chemotherapy lead I have been responsible for succesfully establishing Multidiscipinary Teams both locally and linking closely with network colleagues. This has resulted in highly praised, succesfull peer reviews across all cancer types. Over the last 10 years, new patient numbers have increased from 223 to >900 per year. Patients were originally managed in a porta cabin but following a £3 million charitable campaign, they now attend a state of the art designated cancer unit. Patient satisfaction, audited once a year, has increased from 31% to 98% on local and national audits. Over 50 other clinical audits have been completed ensuring departmental and individal adherance to national guidelines and best practice.

**Shifting the paradign of inpatient to outpatient care.** I have established a rapid access pleural or peritoneal aspiration service using a validated outpatient technique (Thomas palliative care '93). Patients with hypercalcaemia, uncompliacted dehydration, septacaemia or vomiting are given fluids, antibiotics and other medication as a day case until recovery – significantly reducing admission rates, cost for the trust and inconvenience for the patients.

**Introducing** I<sup>125</sup> **prostate brachytherapy:** Clinical lead for the development of low dose rate prostate brachytherapy for the Anglia Cancer Network based at Addenbrooke's Hospital. This involved working closely with a multidisciplinary team, local charities and competitive tending to commissioners. Since 2008, we have successfully treated over 400 patients with only 2 men experienceing a biochemical relapse. Our audits of toxicty and post treatment dosimetry have exceeded international standards.

**Clinical guidelines:** Network guideline lead for erythropoietin, anaemia lymphoma (2001) and Urological malignancies from 2003 - 2005. I wrote and maintained the Bedford guidelines for breast, urology and Gastro-intestinal cancers, chemotherapy, and emergency procedures.

**Improving treatment information and survivourship strategies.** A working group was established to evaluate patient's needs, design and evaluate local programmes including:

**1.** A preparatory film made with Sue Lawley & Anton Rodgers translated into 6 other UK ethnic languages following a £100,000 NOF grant. It was the official video for Cancer Bacup and it's randomised evaluation won the national NHS communication prize.

**2.** A personalised hand-held information file given to all patients containing bespoke information at the relavant stage of the cancer journey – this file won a BMA book prize.

**3.** A lifestyle exit tool box for every patient involving a formal survivourship interview, supported by bespoke written lifestyle information and routine referral, if required, to dieticians, smoking cessation clinics and personal trainers in local municipal gyms.

**4.** A patient/professional cancer information and survivourship web site (Cancernet.co.uk) attracting 87,000 users per month containing >600 peer reviewed specific information sheets designed to be downloaded for the hand held file. Other practical resources designed help survivours and their families are updated by a team of patients and health profesionals.

**Development of a national cancer exercise referral scheme**; Working with the leisure industry and Macmillan Cancer Support I wrote the national standards for a "Skills Active" approved level 4 cancer rehabilitation course (July 2010). Since then, I formed a partnership with training organsiations, including Virgin Active, to train over 100 exercise professionals across the UK, allowing them to receive referrals for exercise rehabilitation (All Bedford patients are considered for an exercise referral – an audit demostrated a 65% uptake rate).

**Other national experience:** Editorial member of the 1998 National Cancer Plan. Editorial member of the NICE guidance on supportive care. Oncology Lead for the DoH working party for Complementary Medicines. Member of the NCRN complementary medicine sub committee. Editorial member of the Journals; Focus on Cancer Medicine, British Journal of Cancer Management; Healthcare at home and British Journal of Medical Practice. Editor for the evidence review for the role of lifestyle for the National self help and suvivorship committee. Current member of the Macmillan late effects steering committee and Chair of the National Survivorship exerpert Advisory Committee and the "walking for Health" Committee. Patron of the national conference of self help groups.

**International experince.** Advisor for National Cancer Institute of Mexico patient informationa and author of their patient information manual.

#### **RESEARCH**

Links have been established with the Institute of Public Health, Cambridge University; Cranfield University, Cranfield Business School and the Universities of Bedfordshire and Hull. A research manager is funded from prizes, grants and pharmaceutical trials, and the two research nurses are funded by the NCRN. Through a series of motivational "away day meetings" we have managed to created a culture which empowers all the staff in the Primrose unit take a pride in research activities. Six out of the 10 regular nurses and even one of our receptionists, have presented work at international conferences. In the last 10 years 38% of our patients have been involved in clinical studies, 870 in prospective or randomised studies and a further 2200 in retrospective or questionnaire surveys.

**Pharmaceutical trials** – Our research unit was the highest recruiter in 3 out of 4 national and European randomised studies (Janssen Cilag, Orthobiotec, Novartis & Roche).

**National Cancer Research Network approved trials** – Local chief investigator for the prostate RTO1 conformal radiotherapy trial at Addenbrooke's and enterd 60 patients into the national CHiPP dose fractionation radiotherapy trial. At Bedford in the last three years I have recruited over 200 patients into the national Diet and Breast cancer study (the UK's highest), 80 into the Institute of Cancer Research Prostate Genetics Study and 203 into the National Pomi-T trial as well as several other NCRN approved studies.

### Locally designed, randomised or prospective studies (completed and published)

- a RCT comparing a patient information tool versus standard care;
- a cross over RCT comparing two aromatase inhibitor drugs for breast cancer;
- a phase 2 study assessing a novel COX-2 agent;
- a prospective study of QoI and patient preference between tamoxifen and letrozole;
- a prospective study of QoI and patient preference between tamoxifen and exemestane;

- a double blind RCT comparing a mineral/vitamin supplement with placebo in men with prostate cancer (NCRN adopted).

- A double blind RCT comparing an antioxidant /polyphenol rich food supplement (Pomi-T) with placebo in men with prostate cancer (NCRN adopted).

**Health economic studies.** Working with Cranfield international busines school, we have conducted the first cost assessment of a breast cancer relapse to include both the Hospital and Community activities. Working with the health economics team of Sanofi Aventis, Astrazeneca and Pfizer we have helped with the health economic assessment of adjuvant drugs for breast cancer for NICE technology submissions.

**Current laboratory research** We are currently identifying triple negative patients from our breast cancer data base, analysing tissue blocks for androgen receptor status and are now applying for funds to expand this work into a Phd project.

**National Research imput** I regularly advise the scientific committees of 5 pharma companies, peer review grant proposals for Scottish NHS executive and National Cancer Research Committee, am regular assessor for a number of medical journals.

#### Research funding in current post

- Hospital Doctor magazine 2000/1 Innovation winners grant £5,000
- Hospital Doctor magazine 2000/1 overall winners grant £5,000
- Bupa Foundation Educational award 2000 £10,000
- Educational grant from Novartis pharmaceuticals 2002 £45,000
- Educational grant from Amgen pharmaceuticals £10,000
- Educational Grant from IVY Medical Chemicals 2002 £37,000
- Educational grant from Cambridge Laboratories Ltd 2004 £65,000
- New Opportunities Fund (Lottery) Grant 2001 £100,000.
- Further unrestricted Educational grant from Novartis pharmaceutics 2003 £35,000
- Unrestricted Educational grant from Pfizer pharmaceutics 2005 £65,000
- Panaceas Society Research grant 2007-9 £24,000
- Mercedes charitable research award 2010 £16,000
- Wright Foundation Research award 2011 £10,000
- Prostate Action Peer reveiwed research grant -£10,000

# **TEACHING**

**Medical students:** I designed and implemented a timetable for the 40 Cambridge & UCH students who attended Bedford from 1998-2002. This included organising the appraisal of students, auditing their satisfaction, attending meetings with assessors in Cambridge University and University College Hospital London. As a formal "Recognised Clinical Teacher" for Cambridge University I teach medical students weekly and have scored **"outstanding teacher nominations"** from **every** student for the last three years.

**Junior Doctors;** I teach publishing techniques and work with junior doctors to help them publish editorials in national journals.

**Post graduate students**. Following the appointment of visiting professor at Cranfield University I now teach on their transactional medicine course. I have supervised six MSC students and a PhD post graduate.

**Past experience:** Teaching co-ordinator at The Middlesex Hospital & The Royal Free Hospitals. Regular tutor on the Middlesex Hospital MRCP course. At the Royal Marsden Hospital I taught medical students on a weekly basis from St George's Medical School and gave regular tutorials in the in-house FRCR and Nursing Msc course.

# **INVITED LECTURES**

# National:

- The International Science Festival, Edinburgh. 1995.
- The Royal Free Hospital (Neuro-Oncology), July '93 & September '95.
- The Institute of Psychiatry (Radiobiology) January '94.
- The National Hospital for Neurology (Neuro-Oncology), March '94.
- St Lukes Hospital, Guilford (High dose chemotherapy), October '95.
- Royal College of Radiologist annual conference 1994, Warwich. (Neuro-Oncology), '94.
- Cancer Update (Seminoma). RMH, July '95.
- Cambridge University Clinical research 1997
- Breast cancer symposium Cholester 1998
- Cancer Bacup Improving in formation for patients in practice 1998
- Edingburgh University / Western General Fatigue and Chemotherapy 1998
- Cardiff, Birmingham & Manchester Anaemia and fatigue 1998-9
- Royal College of Physicians Anaemia and fatigue 1999
- Royal College of Pathologist Cost effectiveness of Gcsf in clinical practice 1999
- Marie Curie National symposium on information for Patients 1999
- Mount vernon, UK National symposium on information for Patients Jan 2002
- Cambridge University Annual Cancer Lecture 2004
- Breast cancer symposium Cambridge Cost effectiveness of Aromatase inhibitors 2005
- Guest of Honour speech University of Bedfordshire graduation ceremony 2008.
- Cambridge University Research lecture 2009
- British leisure induxtry annual conference evidence for exercise after cancer 2010
- Vendre, Cardiff Lifestyle and Cancer, 2010
- Harrogate Network Annual Breast Cancer symposium 2010
- Penny Brohn Cancer Care Annual survivorship conference 2010
- Biolab annual conference (Nutritional testing and cancer) 2011
- London Oncology Clinic, Live strong programme 2010 and 2011
- Southampton Prostate survivorship group Evidence for lifestyle after Cancer 2011
- Cambridge Prostate Survivorship group Evidence for lifestyle after Cancer 2011
- National Conference of Cancer Self Help Groups annual conference Manchester 2011
- Wright Foundation/fitness industry Annual conference Birmingham 2011
- Norfolk Prostate Cancer Survivorship Meeting 2011
- Lancashire annual Cancer Network conference Preston 2011
- Bone Academy annual conference London 2011
- Macmillan Primary Care Conference, Lords Cricket Ground 2011
- Flitwich Survivorship Meeting Oct 2011
- Yorkshire Cancer Network Annual conference 2011
- National mammographia conference (Harrogate) 2011
- London Oncology Clinic Survivorship programme Feb 2012
- Lancaster Cancer Network cancer update conference Feb 2012
- Royal Marsden Hospital survivorship for professionals conference Feb 2012
- The National Mesothelioma society annual conference Oct 2012
- London Mammographia Conference Oct 2012
- Penny Brohn annual survivourship lecture Nov 2012
- Yes for Life lecture polyphenols and Cancer Nov 2012
- Lanchashire Cancer Network annual conference Dec 2012
- Worchester Prostate Cancer Survivourship annual conference Feb 2013

- Cancerpartners UK survivourship lecture Elstree Feb 2013
- Bristol Mesothelioma Group annual conference Feb 2013
- Bagnall centre survivourship lecture and debate Feb 2013

### International:

- Memorial Sloane Kettering Hospital, New York, USA, 1994
- Duke University Medical Centre, North Carolina February 1996.
- Amgen symposium Atlanta USA (ASCO) 1999
- Melbourne, Australia (COSA) Treating anaemia in oncology 1999
- Ischia, Italy. International symposium on information for Patients Nov 2000
- Morelia, Mexican Annual Cancer Conference Optimising raltitrexed use Nov 2001
- Orlando USA Novartis symposium (ASCO) Patient choice and Al's May 2002
- Sao Paulo, Brazil Novartis symposium Qol issues and Al's June 2002
- Athens Novartis symposium Qol & choice in breast cancer management 2004
- National Hospital of Mexico Benefits of patient information 2007
- National Hospital of Mexico Cost effectiveness in adjuvant drug development 2008

# MEDIA EXPERIENCE

Media Training: London Studios 2001 and 2004

Documentaries: London Tonight'01, Pamorama '06, Horizon 2007. The Food Hospital '11

**Information and promotional films:** Macmillan exercise campaign website film (2011), Radiotherapy and chemotherapy patient information film (2000 and 2005).

Live TV interviews: BBC Newsnight 2008 (Jeremy Paxman), BBC breaskfast news 2011

**Live Radio:** Jeremy Vine show 2009, Radio Europe (Panel discussion 2009) The Today programme(Radio 4) 2011, Radio Swindon 2010, Radio Wales 2011. Plus numerous news interviews for local radio stations (BBC Cambridge, Bedfordshire)

**Media spokesperson:** Macmillan Cancer support and advisor for the Channel Four programme" The Food Doctor"

# **OTHER INTERESTS**

**Sport:** Rugby - Welsh Boys Club Cap, Captain School 1st XV, Captain of the University 1st XV. Surrey league until May 2008. Now enjoying tennis, aerobics, gym, windsurfing, skiing, running and generally keeping fit.

**Fund raising and charity work:** Charity Balls; The London Marathon, The World Medical Games; Carol services and annual exhibitions including The Young Farmers Club. Board Member of Casting for Life and Patron of The National Conference of Self Help charities, Chair of the Ramblers / Macmillan advisory group.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

# Original clinical research (Lead investigator and first author)

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Patients preferences for video cassette recorded information. Effect of age, sex and ethnic group. Thomas R, Deary A, Kaminski E, D Stockton, N De Zeeuw. *The European Journal of Cancer Care* (1999). Vol 8 pp 23-27.

Forewarned is forearmed – benefits of preparatory information on video casette for patients receiving chemotherapy and radiotherapy - a randomised controlled trial. Thomas R, Daly M, Perryman B, Stockton D *European Journal Cancer* (2000), issue 36 1536-1543.

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The financial implications of switching to adjuvant exemestane in patients with early breast cancer. RJ Thomas, M Williams, C Marshall, J Glen & M Callam. *Clinical Focus Cancer Medicine* (2009); 1(3):82–87.

Comparing the cost of adjuvant anastrozole with the benefits of managing less patients with relapsed breast cancer. Thomas R, Glen J, Marshal C *Breast Cancer Research and Treatment* (2009); Volume 117 Issue 2 page 289.

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#### **Book reviews**

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# **Talks and abstracts**

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