

## Professor Richard Stubbs MD FRCS FRACS

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Richard is a NZ graduate who trained as an upper GI and Hepatobiliary surgeon in the UK and the US. He returned to NZ in 1986 to the University Dept of Surgery in Wellington. In 1991 he founded the Wakefield Clinic for Gastrointestinal Disease which became an important private clinic in Wellington offering secondary and some tertiary care to patients with a variety of complex gastrointestinal and hepatic problems.

He developed an active clinical research program around obesity, metabolic problems and the management of colorectal liver metastases and for around 30 years contributed meaningfully to the international literature related to these conditions.

In 1995 he opened a private basic science research facility to the which for 20 years conducted important research into inflammatory bowel disease, colorectal cancer, obesity and metabolic disease. He held a Professorial appointment within the University of Otago from 2008-13 to lead his research group, The Wakefield Biomedical Research Unit, which had transferred from the Wakefield Clinic to the University of Otago, Wellington.

He is now semi-retired from clinical practice but continues as Managing Director of P3 Research which has clinical research sites in Wellington, Tauranga and Hawkes Bay.

He has recently retired as President of the NZ Association of Clinical Research, a position he held from 2016.