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Stroke: A Story of the Ugly Duckling

In his inaugural professorial address, Professor Feigin presents an overview of the history of evolution of knowledge about stroke from ancient times to the present day. He debunks a number of prevalent myths and shows revolutionary achievements in the knowledge about stroke epidemiology, prevention and management. These achievements have changed the perception of stroke from being a neglected and almost universally fatal "apoplexy" (from the Greek "struck down by violence") and later inappropriately labelled "cerebral vascular accident (CVA)" to a nosologically distinct, highly preventable and treatable disease of the nervous system.

Monday 3 May, 2010

4.30 pm–5.30 pm

Venue: WA Conference Centre (City Campus)
Level 2, WA Building, 55 Wellesley St East, Auckland 1142

Please RSVP your attendance to:

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Refreshments will be served after the address

Professor Valery Feigin, a neurologist, clinical epidemiologist and stroke sub-specialist, is the Director of the National Research Centre for Stroke, Applied Neurosciences and Neurorehabilitation at AUT University. He graduated in medicine from the Novosibirsk Medical University, Russia (MD, MSc, PhD in Neurology), and undertook advanced training in neurology and clinical epidemiology in Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, USA and Erasmus University, Rotterdam, The Netherlands (MSc in Clinical Epidemiology). His research activity has resulted in over \$13M external research funding in NZ, 290 academic publications in leading international and local medical journals (including *The Lancet* and *The Lancet Neurology*), eleven stroke handbooks and eight book chapters.

Professor Feigin is Editor-in-Chief of the journal *Neuroepidemiology* and a current or former member of the Editorial Boards of eight international medical journals. He currently leads the Stroke Experts Panel of the Global Burden of Disease Project that contributes data to the WHO regular reports distributed all over the world. He is also a member of the Advisory Working Group on Stroke for the WHO ICD-11 version.

