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Applied and not-yet-applied

Sir Leszek Borysiewicz, the Vice-Chancellor

7.30 p.m., Monday 21st October, 2013
Wolfson Lecture Theatre, Churchill College, Storey's Way, Cambridge

Synopsis:

Much attention has been paid to the relationship between fundamental research and application, and how to manage that relationship for the sake of growth and progress.

Lord Porter, President of the Royal Society in the late 1980s, was categorical about the link: "there are two kinds of research: applied, and not-yet-applied". In terms of modern institutions and processes, however, we see tendencies to separate basic from applied research; and research from innovation.

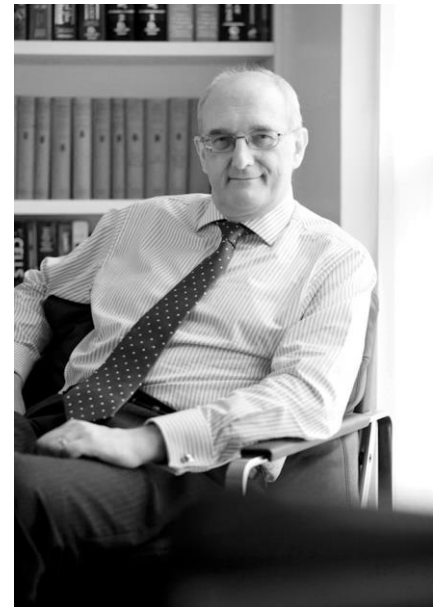
Sir Leszek will explore these factors in the context of the University's mission to contribute to society.

About the Speaker:

Professor Sir Leszek Borysiewicz

Professor Sir Leszek Borysiewicz is the 345th Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge.

He was Chief Executive of the Medical Research Council from 2007, and from 2001 to 2007 was at Imperial College London, where he served as Principal of the Faculty of Medicine.



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Curriculum Vitae

Born in Wales, to Polish parents who settled there after the Second World War, he attended Cardiff High School and went on to the Welsh National School of Medicine, later taking up clinical and research posts in London. In 1988 he came to Cambridge as Lecturer in Medicine, and was a Fellow of Wolfson College (where he is now an Honorary Fellow). He went on to be Professor of Medicine at the University of Wales for the ten years until 2001.

As Deputy Rector of Imperial College, Sir Leszek was responsible for the overall academic and scientific direction of the institution, particularly the development of inter-disciplinary research between engineering, physical sciences and biomedicine.

Concurrently with his position at Imperial College, Sir Leszek was also Governor of the Wellcome Trust (2006-2007), Chairman of the UK Clinical Research Collaboration's Integrated Academic Training Awards Panel (2005-2007), and Chair of the HEFCE RAE Main Panel A Assessment Panel.

Professor Borysiewicz was knighted in the 2001 New Year's Honours List for his contribution to medical education and research into developing vaccines, including work towards a vaccine to combat cervical cancer.

He was a founding Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences in 1996 and a member of its Council from 1997 until 2002, Chairman of the NHS (Wales) R&D Grants Committee and acting Director of NHS (Wales) Research and Development (1994-1996), a member of the Council of Cancer Research UK (2002-2005), a Non-Executive Director of North Thames Regional Health Authority (2003-2004) and a member of the MRC Council from 1995 to 2000.

He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 2008.

Professor Sir Leszek Borysiewicz MA PhD FRS FRCP FMedSci

Born April 13th, 1951, in Cardiff, Wales. Attends Cardiff High School, then Welsh National School of Medicine.

1977 Leaves Cardiff to pursue postdoctoral research in London.

1979 - 1980 Registrar, Department of Medicine, Hammersmith Hospital.

1980 - 1986 Joins Royal Postgraduate Medical School, London, initially as MRC clinical training fellow, before becoming a Lister Research Fellow and Senior Lecturer.

1987 - 1988 Wellcome Trust Senior Lecturer in Infectious Diseases, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge.

1988 - 1991 Lecturer in Medicine, University of Cambridge.

1991 - 2001 Professor of Medicine, University of Wales College of Medicine.

2001 - 2004 Principal, Faculty of Medicine, Imperial College, London.

2004 - 2007 Deputy Rector, Imperial College, London.

2007 - 2010 Chief Executive, Medical Research Council.