

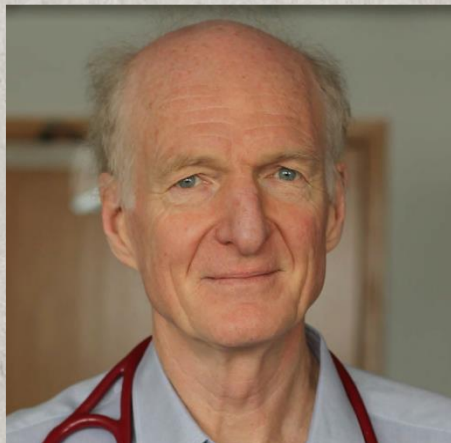


**You are warmly invited to attend our next talk,
on Zoom only**

1830hrs Friday 29 September 2023

Our invited speaker, Professor Nicholas White, presents

‘Malaria and War’



Malaria is the most important parasitic disease of man, still killing over half a million people every year, mainly in Africa, where some 2,000 deaths occur daily. Throughout history, malaria has often been a major determining factor in the outcome of war. One need only think of the ravages it caused during the Salonika campaign in the First World War, to appreciate the risks still posed to modern armies and navies – and to civilians caught up in conflict. Drug resistance is common, but one new drug, artemisinin, now offers hope.

Professor Sir Nicholas White and his Thailand team have been at the forefront in the campaign against malaria, successfully demonstrating the effectiveness of artemisinin drug therapy in adults, children and infants. Artemisinin combination therapy is now the first-line treatment for malaria worldwide. His talk will focus mainly on the 20th century and how antimalarial therapeutics affected modern war, and how war affected antimalarial drug discovery.

Proceeds will be donated to the Museum of Military Medicine

Recommended further reading (Open Access):

White, N.J. Severe malaria. *Malaria Journal*. 2022; 21: 284.

<https://malariajournal.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12936-022-04301-8>

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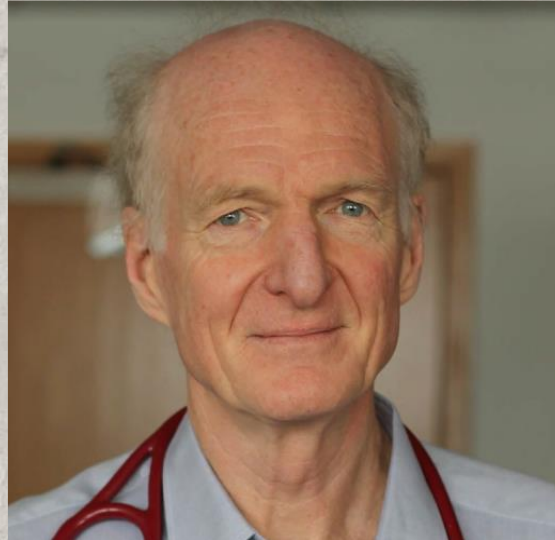
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A short biography of our Guest Speaker

Professor Nicholas John White OBE KCMG MD DSc FRCP F Med Sci FBPhS FRS



Professor Sir Nicholas John White FRS is Professor of Tropical Medicine at the Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University, Thailand and at Oxford University, UK. He is also a Consultant Physician in acute general medicine at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford.

Professor White is a Wellcome Trust Principal Research Fellow who chairs the Wellcome Trust Tropical Medicine Research Programmes in South East Asia. He has conducted research across a broad range of infectious diseases. His main research focus is the pathophysiology and treatment of malaria.

He has authored over 1250 scientific publications and over 50 book chapters. His “h” index is currently 152 (Scopus) and 200 (Google).

Professor White has received the Prince Mahidol Prize for Medicine, the Canada Gairdner Foundation Global Health Prize, and the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene Manson medal. He co-chaired the WHO antimalarial treatment guidelines committee for twelve years and he currently chairs the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative and the Coalition for Equitable Research in Low Resource Settings.

Professor White is a life member and keen supporter of Friends of Millbank.

More information, including links to his publications and a podcast interview, is at <https://www.tropicalmedicine.ox.ac.uk/team/nicholas-white>

