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Dr. Fenster is a Clinical Professor of Department of Urologic Sciences at the University of British Columbia. He is currently on active staff at Vancouver Hospital and a member of the Department of Urologic Sciences. His clinical and academic/research interests are in voiding disorders and neuro-urology which include neurogenic bladder, incontinence, urodynamics, female urology and obstructive uropathy. Dr. Fenster has a special interest in interstitial cystitis and pelvic pain syndromes in women and has published in this field.

Dr. Fenster is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and a member of the Canadian Urological Association, the American Urological Association, the Western Section of American Urological Association, the Northwest Urological Society and the British Columbia Urological Association.

He is past Chair of the Department of Surgery at Shaughnessy Hospital as well as Head of Urology at Shaughnessy/UBC Hospital. Dr. Fenster was the Director of Urodynamics at both Shaughnessy and VGH Hospitals. He also served as a Chair of the Medical Advisory Committee and President of the Medical Staff at both Shaughnessy and GF Strong Hospitals. Dr. Fenster previously served as President of the Northwest Urological Society from 1989-1990, and the BC Urological Society from 1986-87.

Dr. Fenster has published over 32 papers, has chapters in five textbooks and has been associated with a number of award papers in urology at both the Northwest Urological Society and the Western Section of the American Urological Association.

Dr. Fenster's current research activities include "The role of urine pH in interstitial cystitis", "The role of cranberry in the treatment of urinary tract infection in women" and "A multicentre randomized double-blind parallel group evaluation of the efficacy and safety of uracyst versus placebo in patients with interstitial cystitis".