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### **Biographical Sketch**

#### **Dr. Michael Johnston, Atlantic Node Leader, Terry Fox Research Institute**

Dr. Michael Johnston is currently a professor of thoracic surgery in the Department of Surgery at Dalhousie University. He is TFRI's Atlantic Node Leader and a member of the TFRI Executive.

In his role as node leader, Dr. Johnston will provide leadership for local scientific and clinical research projects being conducted by the TFRI's Atlantic partners. He will also aid in bringing scientific teams together from around the region to work on collaborative projects.

Dr. Johnston is interested in the fields of thoracic oncology and lung cancer research. He is a co-investigator for the TFRI Early Detection Lung Cancer Study, heading up the Halifax-based study at the QEII Health Sciences Centre. The study is funded by TFRI and The Canadian Partnership Against Cancer.

Dr. Johnston's other research interests include targeting strategies for cancer therapies, cancer model systems and mesothelioma, a cancer of the chest cavity linked to asbestos exposure.

For more information visit:

Beatrice Hunter Cancer Research Institute profile:

<http://www.bhcri.ca/Research/ResearcherProfiles/DrMichaelJohnstonMDFRCSC/tabid/120/Default.aspx>

TFRI Lung Cancer Early Detection Study: [http://tfri.ca/programs/institute\\_2008-01.asp](http://tfri.ca/programs/institute_2008-01.asp)