

Mr Stephen Large, Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Royal Papworth Hospital



Stephen Large took up his appointment as consultant cardio-thoracic and heart failure surgeon at Papworth Hospital in September 1989. He led the heart transplantation programme until 2008 when research demanded more of his time. He was elected as an Associate lecturer to Department of Medicine in 1994, Clinical Sub-dean Cambridge University School of Medicine in 1998 until 2017, Specialist Advisor IPAC-NICE in 2005 for 12 years until 2017, Specialist Advisor interventional committee HTA in 2012 until 2018 and recently Cardiac transplant representative British Transplantation Society.

He obtained an OU Master of Business Administration in 2000, ILTHE membership (*number 26487*) in Aug 2003 and became a Physician Educator (RCP) in 2008. This sat alongside a busy clinical thoracic and cardiac surgical workload which adjusted with time in to a specialized focus on the surgery of heart failure and intra-thoracic aortic disease. He is author of 271 peer reviewed papers and holds numerous grants from a range of charities totalling £2.8 million. His research interests currently lie in extra-corporeal heart perfusion, to reduce the gap between the demand for and the supply of donor hearts for those many patients with severe, drug resistant heart failure. He is aortic interests focus on current evaluation of treatment of thoracic arch and descending aortic aneurysm (NIHR ETTAA study).

He's received a number of awards in his long career (Hilton Dissection Prize 1972, Beaney Pathology 1973, Innovations East prize 2009, Medical Futures Prize 2011, Innovation Award Papworth 2014, Life-time achievement award Papworth 2015 and recently NHS-Hero award May 2018).

He is keen to demonstrate and enhance autologous repair mechanisms of human tissue and harness this to achieve his life's dream of autologous cardiac repair before retirement!