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Lewis R. Roberts, M.B., Ch.B., Ph.D., is a consultant in the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Internal Medicine, at Mayo Clinic in Rochester. He holds the academic rank of professor of medicine and is recognized with the distinction of a named professorship, the Peter and Frances Georgeson Professorship in Gastroenterology Cancer Research. Dr. Roberts joined the staff of Mayo Clinic in 1998.

Dr. Roberts earned his M.D. degree at the University of Ghana Medical School and completed a medical and surgical internship at Korle-Bu Teaching Hospital. He earned the Ph.D. degree in physiology and biophysics at the University of Iowa. Subsequently, he completed a residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in gastroenterology at Mayo Graduate School of Medicine, followed by training in cancer genetics as a Mayo Foundation Scholar.

Dr. Roberts is widely recognized for his clinical contributions in the diagnosis and multidisciplinary management of benign and malignant liver masses, including hepatic adenomas, hepatocellular carcinomas, bile duct cancers (cholangiocarcinomas) and gallbladder cancers. His research focus is to understand the mechanisms by which liver and biliary cancers develop, grow and spread and to develop and validate methods for early detection, diagnosis and treatment of these cancers. In support of these goals, Dr. Roberts coordinates the International Hepatobiliary Neoplasia Registry and Biorepository, a collaborative effort by many medical centers to collect clinical and risk factor information as well as blood and tissue samples to support research on liver and biliary cancers. Dr. Roberts' research has been funded by the National Cancer Institute, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the American Gastroenterological Association Research Foundation, and The Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation, among others.

Dr. Roberts is frequently invited to give presentations on his research both domestically and internationally and has authored numerous journal articles, book chapters, abstracts and other written publications. He has also served as reviewer for high-impact medical journals, such as the American Journal of Gastroenterology, Cancer Research, Gastroenterology, Hepatology and the New England Journal of Medicine.

In recognition of his work, Dr. Roberts has received many awards, including the New Investigator Award, conferred by Mayo Clinic, and the Humanitarian Award, conferred by the Ghana Physicians and Surgeons Foundation. He was also named a Paul Harris Fellow by Rotary International and a Top Doctor by U.S. News & World Report.

In addition to his research and clinical activities, Dr. Roberts is active in education and mentoring. He holds full faculty privileges in Clinical and Translational Science at Mayo Graduate School, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine.

Dr. Roberts holds memberships in numerous professional organizations, including the American Association for the Study of Liver Disease, American Association for Cancer Research, American Gastroenterological Association, American College of Gastroenterology, and the American Society of Clinical Oncology. He is a founding member of the International Liver Cancer Association.