

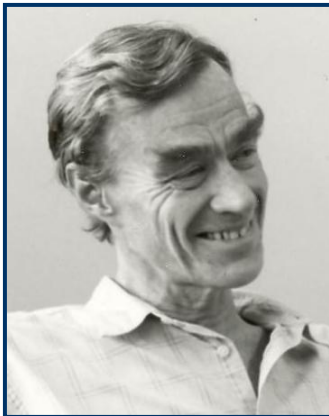
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## PROFILE

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**Roger DETELS**

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Professor Roger Detels founded and directs the UCLA/Fogarty HIV/AIDS International Training Program in Epidemiology. He has published over 200 papers on public health issues in Asia. For the last nine years he has organized in-country courses, regional workshop, and M.S./Ph.D. programs in HIV/AIDS epidemiology at UCLA. The countries have included China, India, Indonesia, Thailand, Myanmar, Philippines, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Singapore, Hungary, and Brazil. Professor Detels also conducts policy-related research in these countries with current and former Fogarty students. Each M.S. and Ph.D. candidate receives a computer and training in computer use, including e-mail and the web. His graduates have become public health leaders in their respective countries including as the Minister of Health. The UCLA/Fogarty Program is in the process of establishing a website to facilitate communications among current and former trainees and UCLA and is exploring giving distance learning courses to update HIV/AIDS information and intervention strategies.

Roger Detels M.D., M.S., received his training at Harvard College, New York University, the University of California, San Francisco, and the University of Washington. He began his research career at the U.S. Naval Medical Research Unit in Taipei, Taiwan in 1966. In 1969 he joined the research staff of the National Institute of Communicable Diseases and Strike. In 1971 he moved to the Department of Epidemiology, School of Public Health, University of California, Los Angeles, his current affiliation. During his tenure at

UCLA, he has served as Chair of Epidemiology (1971-1980, 2000-2005) and as Dean of the School of Public Health (1980-1985).

Professor Detels has also served as president of the Society of Epidemiologic Research (1977-1978) as secretary-treasurer of the Association of Schools of Public Health (1983-1985), as treasurer of the International Epidemiologic Association (IEA) (1983-1990), and as president of the IEA from 1990-1993. He served on the Council of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences from 1990-1994, on the Board of Directors for the American College of Epidemiology from 1987-1989, and as chair of the Science Review Panel for the Environmental Protection Agency from 1982-1985. In 1993 he was elected as a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Professor Detels was one of the three editors for the first and second editions of the Oxford Textbook of Public Health and the senior editor for the third, fourth and forthcoming fifth editions of the Textbook which he expanded to include public health issues in developing countries..

Professor Detels began his research in HIV/AIDS in 1981 when he initiated a natural history study of AIDS in young homosexual men in Los Angeles. In 1984 he became the principal investigator of the Los Angeles Center for the Multicenter AIDS Cohort Study (MACS), one of the largest natural history studies of HIV/AIDS in the world. He has published more than 200 papers in the epidemiology, natural history, immunology, genetics and biology of HIV-1 infection out of a total of more than 300 research papers.

In 1988 Professor Detels initiated the UCLA/Fogarty International Training Program in Epidemiology Related to HIV/AIDS with funding from the Fogarty International Center. The program has trained over 100 health professionals at UCLA from Thailand, the Philippines, Indonesia, Singapore, Myanmar, India, China, Vietnam, Laos, Hungary, and Brazil. He has assisted the governments of Thailand, Myanmar, the Philippines, and Indonesia in the development of their HIV/AIDS sentinel surveillance systems.

Professor Detels continues to be very active in HIV/AIDS research in both the United States and Asia.