

Biography Professor David Khayat



Professor David Khayat was born on August 27th, 1956. He made his medical studies at the university of Nice (1974 to 1980). In 1980, he did his internships and then, his residentships in oncology at the Paris hospitals network (assistance publique) (1980 to 1985). In parallel to his training in oncology, he achieved a Master of Science in tumor immunology. During the course of his research program, he spent 18 months at the University of Tel Aviv, in the Department of Immunology (Professor Isaac Witz) (1982 to 1983). Then, back to France in 1985, he finished his training in medical oncology and got his MD and his board certification in oncology the same year. In 1986, he went to the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York (Department of Biochemistry, J.C. Unkeless) and got his Ph.D. in tumor immunology in 1988 at the university Pierre and Marie Curie in Paris. During his Ph.D., he has been working on the identification and purification of the soluble Fc receptors, both in mouse and human sera, and set up a new ELISA sandwich assay for the detection and the quantitative dosage of this soluble molecule. He demonstrated the relationship between the release of this soluble receptor in human serum (called also immunoglobulin binding factors; IBF) and different pathologic conditions (AIDS, ITP ...). He got a position of Assistant Professor in 1985 in the department of medical oncology at the Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital which is a teaching university hospital which belongs to the Assistance Publique-Hôpitaux de Paris network, and the chair of Full Professor of oncology at the University Pierre and Marie Curie in 1989. In 1990, he became the head of the Department of Medical Oncology at the Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital where he developed a research lab working both on tumor immunology and on the pharmacokinetics of anticancer drugs. At the same time, he took over the international congresses on anti-cancer 2 treatment which were organized by the SOMPS (Service Oncology of Pitié-Salpêtrière in Paris) and the MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. In 1998, he organized the French oncologists through the French Federation of Medical Oncologists (FFOM) and was elected its first President until 2001. He set up also the Master of Excellence in Medicine in Oncology which has been recognized as a tool to increase the level of skills and knowledges of young oncologists in France in order to allow them to become the future opinion leaders who would take French oncology a step forward in the international arena. He was, along with Gabriel Hortobagyi from the MD Anderson Cancer Center, one of the organizers of the World Summit against Cancer (2000, 2001) and the Charter of Paris against Cancer (2000) later called the UNESCO Charter against Cancer. He is working on new drug development and his center is one of the few centers in France that is fully equipped and deeply involved in the evaluation of new drugs and new targeted therapies in the treatment and the diagnosis of cancer. He has been nominated at the Educational Committee of ASCO (1998-2001) and at the International Affairs Committee of ASCO (2000-2003). He has also been Member of the Clinical Research Committee of the AACR. He got the American Association for Cancer Research Public Service Award in 2000 and he was selected for the research grant from the Bristol Myers Squibb Foundation in 2000. He got the Annual Award of the ASCO in 2005. Member of « Cancer Education Committee » ASCO (2004-2007) He is sitting in different French, European and International Committees. He has been one of the members of the steering committee of the World Alliance of Cancer Research organizations and (ongoing) he is the associated Editor of the Journal of Clinical Oncology and Cancer (end 2011). He is a member of several other editorial boards. He is Adjunct Professor of Medicine, department of breast diseases, at the MD Anderson Cancer Center, University of Texas (2001-ongoing). He is professor emeritus of

different institutions including the Suzhou institute for Onco-Hematology in China, and the Matsumoto University in Japan. He is member of several scientific societies and member of the ASCO since 1987. He was member of the ASCO Board Directors (2014-2018). He has been the advisor of the LEED program at the OECD. He has published more than 500 papers in the field of oncology and clinical pharmacology. He is officer of the national order of Merit, officer of the Legion of Honor, chevalier of the order of Sainte Agathe and the officer Academics Palms. He is Commander of the British Empire (CBE), Chevalier de l'ordre du Lion du Sénégal, and officer in the Russian order of the friendship between people. In July 2002, he became the leader of the "war on cancer plan" launched by Jacques Chirac, President of France, and from 2002 to 2004, the president of the high-level bilateral committee for the Franco-Israeli cooperation. In April 2004, he became the Founding President of Cancer National Institute (INCa). He is now Professor and Medical Oncologist at the Clinic Bizet (Paris). He is married and has three daughters, Julie (1982), Barbara (1985), Cécile (1988). David Khayat, MD PhD