

## **Biography Dr. Rogelio Pérez-Padilla**



Internist, pulmonologist, emeritus researcher at the National Institute of Respiratory Diseases of Mexico and at the National System of Researchers of Mexico.

Currently in charge of the department and research on smoking and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease at INER. The main lines of research have been related to the impact of moderate altitude (in the Valley of Mexico) on respiratory diseases, also to breathing during sleep and lung function, and particularly to diseases due to inhalation of wood and tobacco smoke.

The activities of the department where I work focus on the treatment of smoking as an addiction and one of its most

devastating consequences, which is chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). The similarity of tobacco smoke with wood smoke when cooking, both derived from combustion of biomaterials, generate similar consequences, including COPD.

Ex-president of the Latin American Thoracic Association (ALAT) and of the Forum of International Respiratory Societies (FIRS) and previous director of the National Institute of Respiratory Diseases in Mexico.