

Malcolm Richardson – ISHAM STATEMENT

Malcolm Richardson is the Director of the Mycology Reference Centre at the University Hospital of South Manchester and an Honorary Professor of Medical Mycology at the University of Manchester, UK. His clinical and laboratory investigations over the past 40 years have focused on the pathogenicity, diagnosis and epidemiology of superficial and systemic fungal infections.

He has published over 350 original articles, book chapters and reviews and is the author or editor of fifteen mycological textbooks and handbooks, including *Fungal Infection: Diagnosis and Management, 4th Edition* (2012), *The Pocket Guide to Fungal infection, 3rd Edition* (2012), and *Therapeutic Guidelines in Systemic Fungal Infection, 4th Edition* (2007). Malcolm Richardson is a frequent speaker and session chair at major international conferences in the fields of clinical microbiology, infectious diseases, and medical mycology. His international professional duties have included being a member of the European Food Safety Authority's Working Group on the Qualified Presumption of Safety of Yeasts, and a WHO Working Group on Dampness and Mould. Currently, he is the Editor-in-Chief of Critical Reviews in Microbiology. Malcolm Richardson has served ISHAM in various capacities, being a Vice President (1991 – 1993) and General Secretary (2003 – 2009). His vision for the future of ISHAM is to develop its publication portfolio and to facilitate high-level mycology preceptorship training using modern technologies. Medical mycology teaching must now be seen in a global context. ISHAM can play a role in delivering this training.