Biography - short

Cyril Höschl, MD, DrSc, FRCPsych, received his MD grade at the Charles University in Prague in 1974. After completion of his residency he became a research fellow and psychiatrist at the Psychiatric Research Institute (PRI) in Prague and an assistant professor at Charles University in Prague. His **research interests** included psychoneuroendocrinology, psychopharmacology and biological psychiatry. In 1984, professor Höschl presented his original work on **neuroendocrine tests in psychiatry** at several Canadian universities. In 1985, he was invited to lecture at New York University on his **pioneering studies on calcium channel blockers** in the treatment of affective disorders.

After the breakdown of communism, he was elected the Dean of the Third Medical Faculty of Charles University in Prague (1990-1997) and appointed professor of psychiatry and a chair at Prague Psychiatric Centre. At present he is the Director of the National Institute of Mental Health at Klecany, Czech Republic. Since 2004 until 2011, he was also a professor of psychiatry at the University of P.J.Safarik in Kosice, Slovak Republic, and Vice-president, Vienna School of Clinical Research, Vienna, Austria. In Prague he coordinates **research** on neurobiology of schizophrenia and affective disorders.

In 2007-2008 Professor Höschl was the President of the European Psychiatric Association (EPA). From 2004 to 2010, he was the President of the Czech Medical Academy and from 2008 to 2009 the President of the Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM, Brussels).

Professor Höschl was an **author of a fundamental transformation of the medical curriculum** at the 3rd Medical Faculty of Charles University in Prague. He is an honorary **editor** of *Neuroendocrinology Letters*, editor-in-chief of *Psychiatrie* (CZ) and member of the editorial board of *International Journal of Psychiatry in Clinical Practice*, among others.

Professor Höschl published more than 200 **scientific publications**, including 3 monographs, and co-edited 5 additional monographs and textbooks.

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