



Summary Dr. Fernando Martinez

Dr. Martinez is a Regents Professor, Swift-McNear Professor of Pediatrics and Director of the Asthma and Airway Disease Center at the University of Arizona. His major research interests include the natural history of childhood asthma, and the role of genetic, physiological, immunological and environmental factors as determinants of the risk for asthma in early life. Dr. Martinez received his medical degrees from the University of Chile, Santiago and the University of Rome, Italy. He completed his residency in pediatrics at the University of Rome, specializing in pediatric pulmonology. He has been at the University of Arizona since 1987.

Dr. Martinez is a member of the National Scientific Council on the Developing Child and of the Board of Scientific Counselors of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. He was also a member of the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program's Expert Panel, which developed the last two versions of the NHLBI Guidelines for the Treatment of Asthma.

Dr. Martinez has written more than 250 journal articles, book chapters and editorials, and has lectured in over 50 countries across the world.