

Dr. Michael G. Mawhinney

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Dr. Michael Mawhinney is an internationally recognized authority on hormone action in neoplastic tissues. An outstanding educator as well, he is a full professor in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology at West Virginia University School of Medicine.

Since beginning his teaching career at WVU in 1971, he received annual grants from the National Institutes of Health, as well as the pharmaceutical industry (Somerset/Mylan, Eli Lilly & Pfizer). Such grant support is rare; the fact that NIH supported Mawhinney for so many years attests to his ability as a research scientist. As an educator, he was a co-recipient of the MacLaughlin Award for excellence in medical school basic science instruction in 1974, 1975 and 1976. During the same years, the Pharmaceutical Manufacturer's Association awarded him the Faculty Development Award, and in 1976, he was named Outstanding Teacher by the WVU School of Medicine. In both 1999 and 2009, Mawhinney was nominated for the Distinguished Teaching Award for the WVU Health Sciences.

The author of more than 60 full-length publications in refereed journals and 18 book chapters/review articles; he lectures at symposiums around the world. Often, he participates in or chairs research sessions on prostate neoplasm, one of his areas of specialization, and has also served on the editorial board or board of consultants to research journals in his discipline. He served on the Grove City College Alumni Council from 2004 to 2008.

Additional degrees: Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmacology, West Virginia University in Morgantown