

## FRED L.M. PATTISON

Fred Pattison was born in Scotland, where he received his early education before going to the University of Cambridge in 1941 for undergraduate work in Natural Sciences, followed by a Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry. He then spent a

year at Dalhousie University as Lecturer before joining the faculty here at UWO as Assistant Professor in 1948.

He established a Ph.D. program in the department, and his research on biologically active organic fluorine compounds resulted in many publications, the award of an Sc.D. by the University of Cambridge, and a book: *Toxic Aliphatic Fluorine Compounds*. In 1959 he became Professor and Head of the Department, and he presided over the expansion of the department and its move to new facilities.

In 1965, Fred decided on a complete career change, and at the age of 42 he enrolled at UWO as a first-year.

On completing his M.D. four years later, he interned at St. Joseph's Hospital here in London and served for a year as resident in the Family Practice Program; he also took a diploma course in venereology at the University of Liverpool. In 1971-73, Fred followed up a long-standing interest in Canada's North people by working with the International Grenfell Association. He provided solo medical care for about 6,000 people scattered along 120 miles of the Atlantic coast of Newfoundland.

Fred returned to London in 1973, when he joined UWO's student health service, holding the position of Director at his formal retirement in 1988. During the same period he was clinical assistant professor in the Faculty of Medicine, giving instruction in venereology, and director of the Middlesex-London Sexually Transmitted Disease Clinic.

On his retirement, Fred was able to resume his connection with the Chemistry Department with the rank of Professor Emeritus. In view of Fred's long service and many contributions to chemistry and medicine at UWO, it is entirely fitting that the department should have a lecture series bearing his name.

## Fred Pattison Senior Lectureships

- 1992 Sir Derek Barton, Texas A & M University
- 1993 Barry Trost, Stanford University
- 1995 Stephen J. Benkovic, Penn State University
- 1996 Steven V. Ley, Univ. of Cambridge
- 1997 Anthony J. Kirby, Univ. of Cambridge
- 1998 Larry E. Overman, Univ of California, Irvine
- 1999 J. Fraser Stoddart, Univ. of California, L.A.
- 2000 Dennis Curran, Univ. of Pittsburgh
- 2001 Joseph Lambert, Northwestern Univ.
- 2002 Anthony Barrett, Imperial College
- 2003 Richard Wolfenden, UNC Chapel Hill
- 2004 Victor Snieckus, Queen's University
- 2005 Lutz F. Tietze, Georg-August University Göttingen
- 2006 Juan C. (Tito) Scaiano, University of Buenos Aires

*Lecture 1: Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
in 114, Main Floor, North Campus Bldg., 3:00 p.m.*

**"A Multi-dimensional Approach to Molecular Recognition in Chemistry and Biology: Towards New Therapies against Infectious Diseases"**

*Lecture 3: Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
in 114, Main Floor, North Campus Bldg., 3:00 p.m.*

***Light Snacks/Refreshments will be served  
at 2:45 p.m. inside the lecture room***

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## FRANÇOIS DIEDERICH

Professor François Diederich (b. 1952) is a native of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg and received his diploma in 1977 and his doctoral degree (Dr. rer. nat.) in 1979 from the University of Heidelberg. In his Ph. D. thesis under guidance of Prof. Heinz A. Staab, he accomplished the synthesis of kekulene. In following postdoctoral studies at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) from 1979 to 1981 with Professor Orville Chapman, he worked on preparation, isolation, and reactivity of dehydronaphthalenes in Ar matrices. Subsequently, he became a research associate at the Max-Planck-Institute for medical research in Heidelberg. In this