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Peter Hotez, MD, PhD, is President of the Sabin Vaccine Institute and Director of the Sabin Vaccine Institute PDP in partnership with Texas Children's Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. He is the Texas Children's Hospital Endowed Chair of Tropical Pediatrics and serves as Chief of the Section of Pediatric Tropical Medicine, Professor of Pediatrics and Molecular Virology & Microbiology and the founding Dean of the new National School of Tropical Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine. In 2014, he was named by President Obama as one of four U.S. Science Envoys with a mandate to explore the development of vaccine centers of excellence in North Africa and the Middle East.



His academic research focuses on vaccine development for a wide range of neglected tropical diseases around the globe, as well as studies to increase awareness about the neglected tropical diseases in developing countries and in the United States.

Dr. Hotez created the Sabin Vaccine Institute Product Development Partnership (PDP), which includes the Human Hookworm Vaccine Initiative, the Schistosomiasis Vaccine Initiative and newer efforts to develop vaccines for Chagas disease, leishmaniasis and SARS. In addition, Dr. Hotez was instrumental in creating the Global Network for Neglected Tropical Diseases, an innovative partnership dedicated to controlling the spread of neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) in developing nations.

Dr. Hotez graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Yale University in 1980 with a degree in Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry and obtained both his MD and PhD from the medical scientist-training program at Weill Cornell Medical College and The Rockefeller University in New York.

Dr. Hotez is Co-Editor-in-Chief of PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases and has previously served as President of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. Additionally, he has served in membership or leadership roles with a multitude of professional organizations, including as a current member of the NIH Council of Councils Committee. Dr. Hotez is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences.