



Professor John Crown is a professor and consultant medical oncologist at St. Vincent's University Hospital. In November 2003, he was awarded the Thomas Baldwin Research Chair in Translational Cancer Research from Dublin City University and in December 2004 was awarded the Newman Clinical Research Professorship in the School of Medicine at University College Dublin.

He received his medical training at University College Dublin and the State University of New York, and undertook his postdoctoral training on both sides of the Atlantic. He went on to complete his fellowship training in oncology at Mount Sinai Medical Centre and in haematology/oncology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre before joining St. Vincent's University Hospital in 1993.

Professor Crown is a founding member and leader of many organisations, including: the All-Ireland Cooperative Oncology Research Group (ICORG), the Anglo-Celtic Oncology Group, the European Breast Cancer Dose Intensity Study, and the Irish Society of Medical Oncology. His other memberships include ASCO, AACR, and ESMO. Professor Crown also founded the Clinical Trials Unit at St. Vincent's University Hospital (SVUH) which has developed an international leadership role in oncology trials.

In June 2009, Professor Crown was awarded €5.6 million funding from Government, through Science Foundation Ireland, for the establishment of a new Strategic Research Cluster (SRC) entitled Molecular Therapeutics for Cancer Ireland (MTCI, www.mtci.ie). MTCI is a multi-institutional, translationally-focused, laboratory based, cancer research group which has an organic linkage with ICORG and aims to develop a fully-integrated national translational cancer research programme that will significantly benefit cancer patients in Ireland.

In April 2011, Professor Crown was successfully elected as an Independent member to Seanad Éireann and is also a frequent contributor to the lay press, and professional meetings, on the subject of health policy.