



Featured Lecture: Nobel Laureate Dr. Ferid Murad

Ferid Murad, M.D., Ph.D., winner of the Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine 1998 for his discovery concerning nitric oxide as a signaling molecule in the cardiovascular system, will be delivering a public lecture at Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED) on Thursday, Oct. 17.

Dr. Murad's visit kicks off the 2013 Meeting of the Ohio Physiological Society, which will be held on the NEOMED campus this year.

What: Public lecture and campus tours

When: Thursday, Oct. 17 from 4-7 p.m.

Where: Ralph Regula Conference and Event Center, NEOMED campus

Details: Free and open to the public

Dr. Murad is a University Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine at George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. His Nobel Prize winning work focused for years on elucidating the vasodilatory effects of nitric oxide within the cardiovascular system. The concept that nitric oxide, a gas, could be produced by endothelial cells and act as a local signaling molecule was revolutionary and put forth by Dr. Murad and colleagues in the mid-1970s. The field of nitric oxide research exploded in the 1980s and this short-acting gas was dubbed "molecule of the year" by *Science Magazine* in 1992. Dr. Murad's Nobel Prize was awarded six years later in 1998. His pioneering work had significant roots in Ohio, as Dr. Murad is a graduate of the M.D./Ph.D. degree program at (Case) Western Reserve in Cleveland.

<http://www.med.wright.edu/ncbp/ops/annualmeeting.html>

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