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Investigations into cardiometabolic diseases: The roles of bioactives and adipokines

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Dr. Wigle attended Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario for undergraduate studies and received a BSc.(Honours) in Biochemistry. He then returned to Ottawa and completed a PhD in Pharmacology at the University of Ottawa which was followed by a postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Genetics at the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis Tennessee. He is a Professor in the Department of Biochemistry and Medical Genetics at the University of Manitoba and is also a Principal Investigator at the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences. Dr. Wigle has been active in teaching and supervising graduate students. His research program has three main focusses.

- 1. Investigating the sex specific effects of the polyphenol, Resveratrol, on cardiac function and cardiac fibrosis.
- 2. Determining how proteolytic cleavage of adiponectin regulates its function both in vitro and in vivo.
- 3. Studying the transcriptional mechanisms that control cardiac fibroblast activation. We are studying the transcription factors Zeb1/Zeb2 and their downstream target Meox2.







