

## Faculty Bio



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Julio Ramirez, MD, FACP is the Chief Scientific Officer at the Norton Infectious Diseases Institute at Norton Healthcare, in Louisville, Kentucky. He is also an Emeritus Professor of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases at the University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, and a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and the Infectious Diseases Society of America.

Dr. Ramirez received his medical degree and internal medicine training at La Plata National University School of Medical Science in Argentina. He trained in critical care medicine at the National Institute of Respiratory Diseases and Thoracic Surgery at the University of Chile; completed a residency in internal medicine at Lincoln Medical Center, New York Medical College; and a fellowship in infectious diseases at the University of Louisville School of Medicine. He is board-certified in internal medicine and holds subspecialty certification in infectious diseases.

Dr. Ramirez's areas of clinical and translational research include community-acquired pneumonia (CAP), influenza, and emerging respiratory pathogens. Dr. Ramirez is directing the research activities of the Norton Infectious Diseases Institute. Dr. Ramirez's research activities have received funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Department of Defense (DoD), and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Dr. Ramirez has more than 300 peer-reviewed publications. He is also a reviewer for several journals including the *New England Journal of Medicine* and *Annals of Internal Medicine*. Dr. Ramirez is the Section Editor on pulmonary infections for the evidence-based clinical decision support *UpToDate*, and is the current president of the International Respiratory Infections Society.

Dr. Ramirez served as a member of the American Thoracic Society (ATS) committee for the development of national guidelines for the management of CAP, and more recently, on the ATS International Task Force guidelines for the management of COVID-19. He also served as a member of the Food and Drug Administration advisory committee for the approval of anti-infective drugs. Dr. Ramirez is the recipient of the 2013 European Respiratory Society Presidential Award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to research in the field of respiratory infections. Dr. Ramirez is the co-chair of the current ATS-IDSA national guidelines committee for the management of CAP.