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Peter J. Jones, the recently named Canada Research Chair in Functional Foods and Nutrition joined the University of Manitoba on November 1, 2005 as Director of the Richardson Centre for Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals. Dr. Jones' main appointment will be in the department of Food Science with a cross appointment in Human Nutritional Sciences. Before 2005 he was professor at McGill University serving as Director of the School of Dietetics and Human Nutrition from 1994-1999.

Currently, Dr. Jones serves as President of the Danone Institute for Nutrition in Canada and immediate Past-President of the Canadian Society for Nutritional Sciences. He serves as Chairman of the Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals Board of the Vancouver-based Forbes Medi-tech group. Dr Jones also has sat on the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, World Health Organization, and United Nations University (FAO/WHO/UNU) Expert consultant Panel for Energy and Protein Requirements in Human Nutrition.

Dr Jones' research interests cover cholesterol, fat and energy metabolism. He has applied novel stable isotope methodologies to examine the response of these areas of metabolism to dietary intervention. His research group has been active in exploring the dietary determinants which control cholesterol biosynthesis in humans, as well as how plant sterols act in functional foods as cholesterol-lowering agents. Other areas of research have included re-establishing energy needs in sub-groups of the Canadian population and exploring what fats confer optimal health during weight reducing diets. Dr Jones has published over 220 peer-reviewed research articles and reviews in international journals, as well as chapters in leading nutrition textbooks. Dr. Jones received the Young Investigator Award for Excellence in Nutrition Research in 1997.