



**Prof. Dror Harats, MD**

Prof. Harats founded VBL Therapeutics (NASDAQ:VBLT) in 2000 based on more than 20 years of both research in the field of medicine and biotechnology as well as a strong background in management of early to mid stage biotechnology companies. Prof. Harats is also a professional and experienced consultant specializing in Biotechnology / Pharmaceutical healthcare companies. Prof. Harats, a professor of medicine in the department of internal medicine and the department of human molecular genetics and biochemistry at the Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel-Aviv University, is the head of the Bert Strassburger Lipid Center and the chairman of the IRB committee of the Sheba Medical Center.

Prof. Harats received his M.D. from the Hadassah Medical School, the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel. Following an Internship at Sheba Medical Center and a residency in Medicine at the Hadassah Medical Center in Jerusalem, he conducted a fellowship in pulmonary medicine and research in Molecular Genetics at The University of California in San Francisco (UCSF). He was then a Visiting Scientist at Syntex Discovery for three years.

For the past 25 years Prof. Harats has been involved in "cutting edge" Research in Lipid Metabolism, Atherosclerosis and Vascular Biology. He was one of the pioneers who studied the role of the immune/inflammatory system in atherosclerosis and invented a new genetic tool for the treatment of angiogenesis, a process that plays a major role in cancer and cardiovascular disorders.

Prof. Harats is a KOL in the field of dyslipidemia and atherosclerosis both in Israel and abroad. For the last 15 years Professor Harats also chairs the IRB committee of the Sheba medical center supervising about 2000 clinical trials annually. He is a member of the Israel Medical Association, Israel Heart Society, American Heart Association and American Society of Gene-Therapy.

Professor Harats published more than 165 peer-reviewed research papers and chapters in books, his publications rewarded him with numerous prizes and grants.