Cobbold lecture to focus on pains, pills and ageing

Arguably the world's leading authority on ibuprofen and aspirin will give a public lecture on pain, pills and ageing in Hobart tomorrow (Thursday 8 August).

Professor Kim Rainsford, an internationally recognised expert in non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, will repeat the lecture in Launceston the following day.

The Arthur Cobbold Memorial Lecture, presented annually in Hobart, was established by the University and Dr Elizabeth Cobbold as a memorial to Prof Cobbold's contribution to the School of Medicine, and to medical education.

Prof Rainsford, originally from Adelaide and a colleague of Arthur Cobbold's at UTAS, is currently Emeritus Professor at Sheffield Hallam University (UK). Prior to this he was Chair of Biomedical Sciences and Foundation Director of the Biomedical Research Centre at that University.

Prof Rainsford's research interests are principally on the modes of action and adverse reactions of anti-inflammatory/analgesic drugs and natural products used to treat pain, arthritis and other inflammatory diseases.

He has focussed on the serious adverse side-effects of anti-inflammatory/analgesic drugs, currently a cause of major concern. He will talk about these problems and how to cope with them in the ageing population.

**Arthur Cobbold Memorial Lecture (Hobart) lecture details:**
Date: Thursday 8 August, 6pm
Venue: MS2 Theatre, Medical Sciences Building, Campbell St, Hobart
Launceston lecture details:
Date: Friday 9 August, 12.30pm
Venue: The John Grove Room (203)
Level 2, Northern Integrated Care Services
41 Frankland Street, Launceston
Info: www.events.utas.edu.au

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