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Enrique C. Gadow was born in Misiones, Argentina. In 1962, he received his degree in medicine from Buenos Aires University. He received postgraduate training first at Stony Brook and then at New York Hospital at Cornell University (1963-1970). He earned a Ph.D. from Buenos Aires University. He served as Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Center for Medical Education and Clinical Research, CEMIC (1985-2000); Head of the Unit of Research at CEMIC (1995-2005); Full Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Buenos Aires University School of Medicine; Director of Post Graduate Training in Clinical Genetics Specialty at CEMIC University Institute (1998 - present); and Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Buenos Aires University (2002-2004).

Dr. Gadow has received several national and international distinctions. He was President of the Argentine Society of Genetics (1978-1980); President of the Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology of Buenos Aires (1994); Board Member of the International Society of Prenatal Diagnosis, ISPD (1994-1998); Currently elected Secretary 2005-2010; Member of the Latin American Collaborative Study of Congenital Malformations ECLAMC-National Research Council, WHO Collaborative Center (1971-present); Member of the *Fetoscopy Group* (1988-present); Member of the Ethics Committee, Advisory Panel on Ethical Aspects of Human Reproduction, International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics, FIGO (2001-2005); WHO Permanent Adviser of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Group of the Department of Reproductive Health and Research, and Member of the National Academy of Medicine of Buenos Aires (2005-2008).

He is probably the first specialist in Reproductive Genetics in South America, and one of the first specialists that introduced Prenatal Diagnosis in this region. Interested in primary and secondary prevention of Birth Defects, he has been involved for many years in a South American Registry, ECLAMC.