

# Henri G. Colt, M.D., FCCP, FAWM

## ABRIDGED CURRICULUM VITAE

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Henri G. Colt is a physician, educator, writer, and philosopher whose work has helped shape the evolution of interventional pulmonology and procedural medical education worldwide. A Professor Emeritus of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the University of California, he has spent his career developing clinical programs, training physicians, advancing competency-based procedural education, and examining the ethical and philosophical dimensions of medical practice.

Raised between Europe and the United States within a Franco-German cultural framework, Colt's intellectual formation has been shaped as much by lived experience as by formal training. He has traveled to more than 130 countries through teaching, lecturing, medical missions, and expeditionary pursuits, and has lectured internationally for more than three decades, developing a perspective informed by different cultures, institutions, and ways of understanding medicine and human experience.

He founded Bronchoscopy International®, a global educational initiative built on the principle that physicians should not learn invasive procedures on patients when alternative methods can be created. This work helped advance simulation-based education, competency-based training, and international train-the-trainer programs, contributing to the education of more than 6,000 subspecialty physicians and teachers in over 40 countries.

His professional leadership has included serving as a founding member and former President of the American Association for Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology, Chairman of the World Association for Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology, and in leadership and executive-board roles with the American College of Chest Physicians, from which he has also received leadership recognition.

Colt has authored more than 300 peer-reviewed publications, book chapters, and review articles and has served as a long-standing contributor and section editor for UpToDate. His academic and clinical leadership included positions at the University of California, San Diego and the University of California, Irvine, where he directed interventional pulmonology and bronchoscopy programs and developed multidisciplinary training systems.

His medical books and educational works include The Essential Flexible Bronchoscopist series and Bronchoscopy and Central Airway Disorders: A Patient-Centered Approach, as well as Medical Ethics and the Movies, which he edited. His broader writing includes 30 Stories About Life and Death, Testosterone Testimonials: Stories of Masculinity, Ageing & Desire, and Becoming Modigliani, a biography of the Italian painter and sculptor Amedeo Modigliani.

In parallel with his medical career, Colt pursued formal studies in philosophy and became an APPA-certified philosophical practitioner and counselor. His experience also includes wilderness and austere medicine (Fellow, Academy of Wilderness Medicine), mountaineering, scuba diving and instruction, equestrian sports, and extensive international travel.

Today he writes The Art of Being Human, a continuing series of essays on life, medicine, relationships, ageing, and the human experience, while continuing his educational work through Bronchoscopy Academy, whose YouTube channel has surpassed one million views, and Bronchoscopy International.