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### Biography



Professor Nikhil Thapar is Director of the Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Liver Transplant service at Queensland Children's Hospital, Brisbane, Australia. He leads a specialist statewide multidisciplinary clinical service for children with gastrointestinal motility and functional disorders. He was previously Academic Lead for Paediatric Gastroenterology and head of the Neurogastroenterology and Motility service at Great Ormond Street Hospital and University College London Great Ormond Street Institute of Child Health (London, UK).

His research programme has focused on the pathogenesis and treatment of gut motility disorders including the potential of regenerative medicine as novel therapies for the most severe gastrointestinal neuromuscular disorders. Professor Thapar has published >150 original articles in these fields. He is co-editor of the textbook of *Paediatric Neurogastroenterology*, associate editor (Neurogastroenterology and Motility) for the *Journal of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition* and faculty lead for *F1000 Prime*.

Professor Thapar is the chair of the paediatric faculty of the Gastroenterology Society of Australia. He sits on the Rome V committee (Paediatrics; lower GI) and chairs the Neurogastroenterology and Motility working group of the Asia Pan-Pacific Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. From 2015-2019 he was chair of the Gastroenterology Committee and sat on the council of the European Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition.