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Dr. Wanless is a graduate of McGill University, with post-graduate training at the University of Alberta and Cornell University Medical College. After spending 28 years at the University of Toronto, he is now a Professor of Pathology at Dalhousie University and Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre in Halifax.

Dr. Wanless' research has concentrated on 3 areas of liver pathology, including the role of insulin in the pathogenesis of steatohepatitis and the role of vascular events in the pathogenesis nodular regenerative hyperplasia, focal nodular hyperplasia and cirrhosis.

Current work demonstrates the ability of the cirrhotic liver to regress substantially, Regression is largely achieved by repopulation of collapsed stroma by hepatocytes derived from progenitor cells. His current proposal is that failure of this progenitor reaction is the main reason that many late stage cirrhotic livers fail to regress.