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Patrick PLAISANCE M.D., PhD., was graduated from Paris Descartes University School of Medicine (Paris 5, France). He completed his residency and fellowship in anesthesiology and critical care at University Denis Diderot (Paris 7, France).

First, he was responsible for the ICU of cardiac surgery, and for the prehospital unit (as part of the SAMU de Paris) of the Department of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care at Lariboisière University Hospital (Paris, France). It was during this period that he became interested in research in patients with heart failure, in heart-lung interaction, in non-invasive ventilation and in cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Regarding cardiac arrest, he turned to cardiopulmonary resuscitation techniques such as active compression-decompression, and the impedance threshold device, both complementary in improving venous return during the decompression phase. He also began working on the interest of CPAP in patients victims of acute cardiogenic pulmonary edema. Because of this experience in both inhospital and prehospital settings, he was called by McGill University (Montreal, Quebec, Canada) to create a link between the EMS system (*Urgence Santé*) and the Department of Anesthesiology at the Montreal General Hospital. He worked over there as Associate Professor from 2002 to 2004. Back to France, he was assigned to become the head of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Lariboisière University Hospital, one of the largest in Paris. He is also the Director of the Simulation Health Centre of the University of Paris.

Professor of Emergency Medicine and Anesthesiology (M.D., Ph.D.), he is member of the French Society of Emergency Medicine in which he was President of the Research Committee for 3 years. He is also member of the council of the European Society for Emergency Medicine (EUSEM), and is the ECOC (EUSEM Conference Organizing Committee) chair of its yearly congress since 2018.