

A close-up portrait of Professor Michael King, an elderly man with white hair and a slight smile, wearing a light-colored shirt. The portrait is semi-transparent and serves as a background for the text on the left.

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## Professor Michael King

February 10, 1950 - September 10, 2021

- ❑ Director of the UCL Division of Psychiatry
- ❑ Awesome academic reputation for robust research: 672 publications, 31675 citations, H index 74!
- ❑ Man of faith, kind, compassionate, honest and open, a colleague to many of us
- ❑ Keynote at ECRSH 2016 Gdansk, Poland
  - ❑ Critical friend helping ensure research was well grounded in scientific rigour
  - ❑ Expert panelist at ECRSH 2018, Coventry, UK

*'Never one to avoid deep questions, Michael explored the relationship between spirituality and health and publishing widely on philosophical, clinical and psychological aspects of belief.'*

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He retired in April 2021 but continued completing publications and his PhD supervisions right up to his death.

Recent diagnosis with the very rare pleuroparenchymal fibroelastosis

*'He made a huge number of important contributions to psychiatry, including risk prediction for mental disorders, and the evaluation of complex interventions. His research interests were far ranging and included the mental health and stigma experienced by people from sexual minorities, mental health and end of life care for cancer patients, and **the role of religious and spiritual beliefs in mental wellbeing**. He had an insatiable interest in people and brought this to his work, combining his natural curiosity and **humour with methodological rigour** to tremendous effect. He was also a courageous advocate for the rights of LGBT people. He is very much missed.'*