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100 YEARS LATER THE PATHOLOGY OF POISON GAS

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Regarded as one of the signature weapons of World War I, poison gas remains one of the most terrifying weapons of war. 100 years later, renowned Australian pathologist Prof. Robin Cooke reviewed preserved lung specimens from casualties on both sides of the conflict. Hear from Prof. Cooke how microscopic examination of 100-year-old lung tissue may help inform today's military medical researchers prepare to treat chemical warfare casualties in the future. Prof. Cooke's appearance made possible with support from the American Registry of Pathology.

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Lungs showing stricture of the trachea following inhalation of mustard gas, January 12, 1919. (Reeve 030483)