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Fellow of Selwyn College, Cambridge and formally Consultant Paediatric Urologist, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge.

He was educated at Cambridge University and University College Hospital, London, qualifying in Medicine in 1963. His urological training commenced at the Brady Urological Institute, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore and then at the Institute of Urology, St Peter's Hospital, London and Great Ormond Street Hospital under Sir David Innes Williams. He was appointed to Consultant Paediatric Urological Surgeon in 1973 and retired in 1990. On retirement and up to the present he has taught Clinical Anatomy at the University of Cambridge.

He was past President of ESPU, Founder Member of the British Association of Paediatric Urologists and Hunterian Professor at the Royal College of Surgeons of England in 1973. He is a Member of The American Association of Genitourinary Surgeons, Honorary Member of the British Association of Urological Surgeons and Senior Member of The Society of Paediatric Urological Surgeons.

He previously examined for the MRCS and Intercollegiate Fellowship in Urology at Colleges of Surgeons of England, Ireland & Scotland. His previous editorial activities included being on the Editorial Board of British Journal of Urology, European Journal of Urology, Journal of the Royal Society of Medicine, Archivum Urologicum (Belgrade) and Dialogues in Pediatric Urology. He was awarded the St Peter's Medal of the British Association of Urological Surgeons in 1994 and the Farquharson Teaching Award, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh in 2013.

He has written 98 original refereed urological papers on a variety of topics such as assessment of obstruction, hydronephrosis, megaureter, posterior urethral valves, neuropathic bladder in spina bifida, undescended testis, reflux and intersex. In addition, he contributed 57 chapters in books and wrote 93 commissioned articles.

His main interest outside urology is painting in watercolour both for pleasure and for anatomical illustration. This has led to an Honorary Fellow of The Medical Artists' Association of Great Britain and Honorary Member of the A.E.I.M.S. (Association Europeennes des Illustrateurs Medicaux et Scientifiques). In 1994 he co-authored Instant Anatomy which is now in its 5th edition and has been reprinted in Polish, German, Chinese, Portuguese, French, Greek and Korean.

His website are www.instantanatomy.net for anatomy and http://www.flickr.com/photos/bobs_paintings/ for his watercolour paintings.

