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Brief Curriculum Vitae

CURRENT POSTS

- Consultant Cardiologist, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- Associate Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine, University of Oxford
- Lecturer in Medicine, St. Catherine's College, Oxford

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Clinical Cardiology

25 years' experience in cardiology, with 15 years as a consultant in Oxford, providing specialist care in all areas of cardiology. A significant part of my practice includes managing acutely unwell cardiac patients, and as a specialist in cardiac imaging and diagnostic testing, I am often consulted on difficult diagnoses, the causative mechanisms and the likely prognosis. I have particular expertise in heart valve disease, aortic disease and cardiac muscle dysfunction (cardiomyopathy / heart failure). I also have significant experience in acute general medical patients, providing advice for complex cases with multiple medical problems.

Cardiac Diagnostics and Imaging

I was head of cardiac imaging and physiology (the major cardiac diagnostic services) at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford from 2011 to 2021. My particular practice is in cardiovascular MRI and echocardiography, and I have performed many thousands of these scans. I am also experienced in the interpretation of electrocardiography (ECG), exercise testing, and 24 hour blood pressure monitoring.

Research

My research involves determining the effectiveness of new techniques and treatments for patients. As an associate professor in cardiovascular medicine at the University of Oxford, I am known for my research into heart valve and aortic diseases. I have published over 100 papers in cardiology, presented over 100 abstracts at international cardiology conferences, and given over 50 invited talks at national and international meetings.

Teaching

I teach doctors, medical students and other health professionals, and lecture nationally and internationally on several aspects of cardiology. I have edited three practical handbooks published by Oxford University Press, in addition to 3 chapters in major cardiology textbooks.

EXPERT WITNESS EXPERIENCE

I have substantial experience as an expert witness in cardiology, providing 50-100 reports a year on all areas of clinical negligence, as well as specialist assessment of cardiac imaging and other diagnostic testing. My experience includes civil cases, employment tribunals, criminal cases (including fitness for trial) and the Court of Protection. I act for both claimant and defence (50/45% respectively), including many large national solicitors, the Medical Protection Society and Medical Defence Union, NHS Resolution and the Welsh Health Boards. I also have significant experience as a single joint expert and I am a GMC expert witness in cardiology.

I have undertaken expert witness training by Bond Solon, and have been awarded Cardiff University Bond-Solon Expert Witness Certificates in both Civil and Criminal Law; I am also a member of the Expert Witness Institute. Solicitors' feedback is overwhelmingly positive, and I have been voted the Lawyer Monthly magazine cardiology expert witness of the year 2017 and 2019. I am happy to receive documents electronically or in paper form, and review many files on secure online portals. I have a secure nhs.net email account for confidential communication, in addition to encrypted standard emails.



DEGREES & QUALIFICATIONS

2018		Cardiff University Bond-Solon Expert Witness Certificates in Civil and Criminal Law
2013	FRCP	Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians, London
2007	FESC	European Society of Cardiology
2002	MD	University College London
1993	MB ChB	University of Bristol Medical School

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

- Expert Witness Institute
- British Cardiovascular Society
- Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians
- Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology
- British Society for Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance (board member)
- British Society of Echocardiography