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## Curriculum Vitae Professor Dr. Colin Berry

**Name:** Colin Berry  
**Born:** 28 September 1937



**Main areas of research: vascular pathology, biomechanics, toxicology, Vascular Pathology and Paediatric Pathology**

### Academic and Professional Career

since 2002 Emeritus Professor of Pathology, Queen Mary, University of London, UK  
1992 DSc, London, UK  
1976 - 2002 Professor of Pathology, London Hospital Medical College, UK  
(Dean and Warden 1992-1996)  
1970 - 1976 Reader in Experimental Pathology, Guy's Hospital Medical School, London, UK  
1970 PhD, London, UK  
1968 MD, London, UK  
1964 - 1970 Lecturer and Senior Lecturer, Institute of Child Health (Gt. Ormond Street), UK  
1961 MB BS, London, UK

### Functions in Scientific Societies and Committees

2003 - 2005 President British Academy of Forensic Sciences  
1990 - 1994 Member of the Medical Research Council of Great Britain  
1989 - 1991 European Society of Pathology  
1976 - 1971 Developmental Pathology Society

## Honours and Awarded Memberships

2006	Honorary Fellow, The British Toxicology Society
2006	Honorary Curator, The Deutsches Museum, Munich, Germany
2005	Honorary Fellow, The German Pathological Society
2002	Corresponding Member, The German Pathological Society
1999	Honorary Fellow of the University of Central Lancashire, UK
1995	Honorary Fellow Faculty of Occupational Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians
1993	Member, German Academy of Sciences Leopoldina
1993	Corresponding Member, Rheinisch-Westfälische Akademie der Wissenschaften
1993	Knight Bachelor
1989	Member by Distinction of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians of London, UK

## Major Scientific Interests

After initial training in Medicine and Pathology at Charing Cross Hospital, where he won the Governors Clinical Gold Medal, Sir Colin became Lecturer at the Institute of Child Health, Great Ormond Street and was there for six years, becoming a British Heart Foundation Research Fellow and Senior Lecturer three years later. He was appointed Reader in Pathology at Guy's Hospital in 1970 and Professor and Head of the Department of Pathology at the Royal London Hospital in 1976.

He has worked in Vascular Pathology and Paediatric Pathology and has written standard texts on both subjects, and has a body of experimental work in vascular pathology, mainly concerned with biomechanics. His interest in toxicology – developed as a result of work in the early days of the culture of vertebrate embryos – has meant that he has served as a member of the Committee on Safety of Medicines and as a member of a number of other related committees of the European Commission. He was Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Pesticides for 10 years; this aspect of his work means that he has advised the British Potato Council and addressed the World Banana Congress.

Sir Colin is a former member of the Medical Research Council of Great Britain and has remained an advisor to that body. He is a former President of the European Society of Pathology and of the British Academy of Forensic Sciences. He was elected to the German Academy of Sciences (Deutsche Akademie der Naturforscher Leopoldina) in 1993 and made Knight Bachelor in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in the same year, for services to Medicine and Science. He is an Honorary Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine, the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Medicine and of the Royal

College of Physicians of Edinburgh and has a number of honorary degrees from overseas universities.

Since retirement from his University Chair he has been increasingly involved in work on the public understanding of science and serves on the Steering Committee of the European Science Open Forum and is chairman of its programme committee. He is on the management board of Sense about Science, a body that advises Parliamentarians about the consequences of scientific legislation and regularly presents topics to the Parliamentary and Scientific Committee. He is an Honorary Curator of the Deutsches Museum in Munich.

In 2005 he was made an honorary fellow of the German Pathological Society and of the British Society of Toxicology.