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He was born on January 23rd, 1938, in Heidelberg and studied medicine in the Medical Schools of Heidelberg, Munich and Montpellier. He worked at the Department Internal Medicine Zürich (Switzerland) and subsequently as an NIH postdoctoral fellow at the Department of Biochemistry, Washington, University of St. Louis.

Since 1967 he worked in the Department of Internal Medicine, University of Heidelberg, where he was promoted to become Professor of Internal Medicine in 1974 and then chief of the Division of Nephrology in 1977. He is professor emeritus since April 2003.

His main interests concern calcium metabolism in renal failure, hypertension and the kidney, diabetic nephropathy and cardiac problems in renal failure.

He is past president of the "Gesellschaft für Nephrologie" and past council member of the European Renal Association and council member of the International Society of Nephrology. He was president of the World Congress of Nephrology, June 2003 in Berlin. He is honorary member of the European Renal Association (ERA/EDTA) and of the Australian, British, Czech, French, Italian, Polish, Spanish and South African Societies of Nephrology. He is member of the American College of Physicians and the Royal College of Physicians in London and Edinburgh respectively.

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He received the John P. Peters award of the American Society of Nephrology 2003.

He was congress president of the World Congress of Nephrology Berlin, June 8-12th, 2003.

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