

New honorary members

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Editor-in-Chief

As Editor-in-Chief it is my great pleasure to announce that two members of the International Editorial Board of our journal have been awarded Honorary membership of the Portuguese Society of Nephrology for their outstanding contributions to Portuguese nephrology and particularly for their continuous support of and dedication to our journal.

Prof. Jürgen Floege and Dr Jonathan G. Fox are prominent personalities in the world of nephrology. Both are dedicated scientists who hold leading positions in their own countries as well as internationally. I am proud to present them to you.

Jonathan G. Fox



Dr Jonathan Fox was born in Hull, England, in 1957 and qualified in Medicine from St Thomas's Hospital Medical School, London, in 1981. After posts in several English cities, he moved to the renal unit of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, Scotland, in 1985, where he completed his nephrology training and undertook research into mechanisms of proteinuria for his MD thesis.

Dr Fox is a full-time National Health Service consultant nephrologist and an honorary senior lecturer in medicine in the University of Glasgow. He maintains research interests into various aspects of glomerular disease and initiation of dialysis. He is also active in postgraduate medical education as Chairman of the Board of Examiners for the UK Nephrology Specialty Certificate Examination, a member of the Board of Examiners of the MRCP Part 2 Examination, and Postgraduate Tutor for Glasgow Royal Infirmary, one of the largest teaching hospitals in the United Kingdom. He has been an examiner in medical examinations in various centres in the Middle East and Asia as well as in the UK. He is a member of the UK Renal Association's Education and Training Committee.

Another area of activity is prescribing management. Dr Fox is Chairman of the Greater Glasgow and Clyde Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee, which oversees prescribing in hospitals and primary care in Glasgow and the surrounding area, and is a member of the Scottish Medicines Consortium which assesses the suitability of all new medicines for use in Scotland.

In 2006, Dr Fox was the Congress President of the XLIII ERA-EDTA Congress in Glasgow. He is currently Chairman of the Scottish Renal Association.

Jürgen Floege



Professor Jürgen Floege, born in 1959, graduated from the Hannover Medical School in Germany in 1984 and subsequently received his clinical training at the Hannover Medical School. His particular interest in renal diseases and renal replacement therapies developed during various research periods in physiology, pharmacology, nephrology and pathology at the Hannover Medical School, Germany,

the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, and the University of Washington, Seattle, USA. He was appointed as head of the Division of Nephrology and Immunology at the University of Aachen, Germany in 1999. Since 2001 he has also been Vice Dean of the Medical School and since 2004 director of a government-funded centre grant on chronic inflammation.

Professor Floege is an active member of several nephrology societies including the American Society of Nephrology (ASN), International Society of Nephrology (ISN) and the European Renal Association (ERA-EDTA). He is a current member of the ERA-EDTA scientific advisory board and former ERA-EDTA and ISN council member. In addition, he is a founding member and vice president of the German Society of Nephrology since 2008. Together with Professors Richard Johnson and John Feehally he is editor of the best-selling textbook "Comprehensive Clinical Nephrology". Finally, Professor Floege is one of two deputy editors of the ERA-EDTA journal Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation and a member of the editorial board of several other journals, including Journal of the American Society of Nephrology, Kidney International, Nature Clinical Practise Nephrology, the Journal of Nephrology and Clinical Nephrology.

Research interests encompass both basic research, i.e. studies on growth factors, cytokines, angiogenesis, stem cells and fibrosis in the course of renal disease, as well as clinical problems in immune-mediated renal disease as well as in dialysis patients, such as bone and mineral disorders and cardiovascular risk factors.

His scientific work encompasses 185 original papers, 90 reviews and editorials, and 40 book chapters.