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Professor Ashford qualified from the Glasgow School in 1970's. He was the first UK podiatrist to secure a professorship which was followed, on his retirement from academia, as the first Emeritus Professorship of a podiatrist in the UK. He has taught in four UK schools of podiatry, two of which he was a head of school. In addition to his podiatry qualification, he holds five academic degrees. He has published over 130 academic papers in podiatry and related disciplines. In addition to his diamond and meritorious awards from the Royal College of Podiatry, London, he is a Fellow of the aforementioned College, a founding member and Fellow of the Faculty of Podiatric Medicine, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, a Fellow of the Society of Antiquities of Scotland and a Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, UK. He is a Past Dean of the Faculty of Podiatric Medicine, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. On retiring from full-time academic work, he secured a part-time lecturing position with the University of Wales Trinity Saint David for two years helping to deliver an academic module on public health.