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## EDUCATION

- > 1984 : Assistant Clinical Professor - Cardiac Surgery  
Hôpital Érasme ULB, Brussels
- > 1983 : Residency - Heart Transplant Department  
Stanford University, Palo Alto California (USA)
- > 1982 : Residency - Cardiac Surgery  
Texas Heart Institute, Houston (USA)
- > 1981 : Residency - Cardiac Surgery  
Moffitt Hospital, University of California, San Francisco (USA)
- > 1980 : Residency - Cardiac Surgery  
Texas Heart Institute, Houston (USA)
- > 1979 : Residency - Cardiac Surgery  
Buffalo's Children Hospital, Columbia University, New York (USA)
- > 1975 - 1976 : Residency - Orthopaedics & Traumatology  
Sint Elisabeth Hospitaal, Willemstad (Curaçao)
- > 1973 - 1975 : Residency - General Surgery  
Centre Hospitalier Universitaire Brugmann, Brussels
- > 1966 - 1973 : Medical Doctor (graduated summa cum laude)  
Université Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- > 2008 - present : Head of the Cardiac Surgery Department  
Universitair Ziekenhuis Brussel, Brussels
- > 1998 - 2007 : Director of the Heart Failure & Heart Transplant Unit  
Onze-Lieve-Vrouwziekenhuis, Aalst
- > 1995 - 1997 : Head of the Surgery Department  
Onze-Lieve-Vrouwziekenhuis, Aalst
- > 1988 - 1994 : Director of the Heart Transplant Unit  
Onze-Lieve-Vrouwziekenhuis, Aalst
- > 1985 - 1987 : Vice-Head of the Cardiac Surgery Department  
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## SCIENTIFIC MEMBERSHIPS

- > European Board UEMS
- > European Society of Cardio-Thoracic Surgery
- > European Society of Heart Transplantation
- > ...

## PUBLICATIONS

A total of **192** articles and abstracts in among others:

- > JACC
- > PACE
- > European Journal of Cardio-Thoracic Surgery
- > ...