

Citation for Honorary Membership of the ERC

Professor Charles Deakin

Charles Deakin is a consultant in cardiac anaesthesia and intensive care at Southampton University Hospital in the United Kingdom. He is Professor of Resuscitation and Pre-Hospital Emergency Medicine at the University of Southampton.

Charles has made substantial contributions to resuscitation science and education at national and international levels. Charles has worked tirelessly for the European Resuscitation Council (ERC) for more than 10 years: he was a member of the Board of the ERC from 2001 to 2012 and was Chair of the ERC Advanced Life Support Working Group for the vast majority of this time - he remains the Deputy chair of this working group. He was a leading author for both the 2005 and 2010 ERC ALS Guidelines. Charles has been the ERC representative for the European Trauma Course International Working Group since 2004 and has been the Vice Chair of this group since 2010.

Charles has also been a very active member of the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR). He served as an ILCOR delegate for 10 years from 2002 and was co-chair of the ILCOR ALS Task Force throughout this time. In this role, he facilitated the consensus on science and treatment recommendations for ALS in both 2005 and 2010.

Charles has contributed not just to the review of resuscitation science and to guidelines but has also published over 115 peer-reviewed papers himself. He has made particularly important contributions to the science of defibrillation and continues to be very active in this field. He is one of the top-performing reviewers for *Resuscitation* and has contributed several excellent editorials to the journal.

In his spare time, Charles enjoys working as a prehospital doctor; indeed, his own car is equipped with more blue lights and sirens than all of the ambulances in South Central Ambulance Service, the organisation for which he is Assistant Medical Director. Amongst several heroic actions his bedroom emergency thoracotomy is perhaps the most notable.

There are few people in the world as committed to resuscitation as Charles Deakin and I am absolutely delighted that he has been awarded with an Honorary Membership of the European Resuscitation Council.

Jerry Nolan