

## PROFILE



### **Prof. Robert J C Steele, MD**

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Professor Bob Steele did his initial surgical and academic training in Edinburgh, Hong Kong and Aberdeen and was appointed as Senior Lecturer in Surgery at the University of Nottingham in 1990. He was then appointed Professor of Surgical Oncology at the University of Dundee in 1996 and as Professor of Surgery and Head of the University Department of Surgery in 2003.

His main interest is colorectal cancer and he is Director of the Scottish Colorectal Cancer Screening Programme, having acted as clinical lead for the UK demonstration pilot that was used to inform the decision to introduce national screening programmes throughout the United Kingdom.

He has chaired several QIS groups related to colorectal cancer and colorectal cancer screening and chaired the SIGN group that developed the latest set of colorectal cancer guidelines. He is currently a member of Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and the editor of "The Surgeon".

He also chairs the Board of Directors of the Scottish Cancer Foundation and Immediate Past President of the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland (ACPGBI). Recently, he has been appointed as the Independent Chair of the UK National Screening Committee.