

Werner Mueller
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Dr. Mueller was born in Basel Switzerland in 1933. From 1952-1959 he did his studies in Medicine at University of Basel and Universities of Vienna and Paris after which he officially received his degree in medicine in 1959. From here Dr. Mueller served from 1960-1963 as Assistant in the Department of Surgery in the former Krankenhaus at Davos Switzerland and from 1963-64, as Assistant in the Department of Paediatric Surgery in Basels Childrens Hospital under Prof. Robert Nicole, who was an expert in fractures. From 1964-1970, Dr. Mueller was a Resident at the newly created Orthopaedic University Clinic of Basel with the head Prof. Georges Chapchal. Dr. Mueller credits much of his professional development to his time at the University which allowed him the opportunity to learn from each of these best surgeons and teachers.

From 1970-1978 Dr. Mueller was head of the section for Orthopaedic Traumatology at the University of Basel, and then in 1978 was elected Head for the new Orthopaedic Department to be developed in the young Kantonsspital Bruderholz outside of Basel. In 1982, Dr. Mueller was Privatdocent, University Lecturer Basel; 1990 Professor extraordinarius for Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Basel and since 1998 Emeritus Status at the Hospital and the University.

Dr. Mueller is an accomplished author with one of the highlights being author for The Knee. Form, Function and Ligament Reconstruction published in 1982/1983. He has also written several book chapters and over 150 articles. Additionally he served as Editor of "Surgery and Arthroscopy of the Knee" Basel-ESSKA Congress, Volume 1986 and was Co-editor of the ESSKA Journal "Knee Surgery, Sports Traumatology and Arthroscopy", 25 year LCS Anniversary".

Dr. Mueller holds membership in several societies and is currently an honorary member of AOSSM, The Herodicus Society, the Hungarian Orthopaedic Society, ESSKA and WPOA amongst many others.

Dr. Mueller has received several academic awards and honors. He served as the First President of ESSKA from 1982-1988; the First Kennedy Lecturer for AOSSM in 1985; Open Habilitation Lecture University of Basel in 1986; Herodicus Society Godfather Lecture Jackson Hole in 1988; Guildal Memorial Lectureship Danish Orthopaedic Society Kopenhagen, 1990; Lifetime Achievement Award of The Bay Area Knee Society, 1992; Blue Cross of Western Pennsylvania Visiting Professorship Pittsburgh, 1992; Godfather of the ESSKA/WPOA Asian Traveling Fellowship, 1997; First Werner Müller Knee Prize by the Knee Purists-first recipient at the ESSKA Congress in Nizza, France, 1988; Dale Daniel Memorial Lecture, 2002; Key Note Speaker, 25 Years LCS Anniversary, Amsterdam, 2002; Presidential Guest Lecturer Children Orthopaedic Meeting, Basel, 2002 and Visiting Professor at USMA West Point 2002.

After the successful beginning of the AOSSM – ESSKA Traveling Fellowship under the leadership of John Feagin, MD, in 1985 Dr. Mueller was instrumental in starting the the IKDC, International Knee Documentation Committee, from ESSKA and AOSSM as a common institution to create a system of evaluation to compare the results of knee ligament surgery.

Dr. Mueller has been married to Ursula since 1960 and has 4 children.