

Curriculum Vitae

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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Consultant in Spinal Injuries and Rehabilitation Medicine
Royal Buckinghamshire Hospital
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I am a consultant in spinal injuries and rehabilitation medicine working at the Royal Buckinghamshire Hospital. In addition I have practising privileges to admit and treat patients at New Hall Hospital (Salisbury) www.newhallhospital.co.uk, Spire Hospital (Southampton) www.spirehealthcare.com/southampton/ in my role as Honorary Consultant. I am on the GMC Specialist Register for Rehabilitation Medicine www.gmc-uk.org.

I am currently using my experience as a clinical practitioner to provide medico legal reports in cases involving spinal injuries and acquired brain injuries. To date I have prepared in excess of 2000 reports representing both claimants and defendants.

As a member of the Telemedicine and e-Health section on the Royal Society of Medicine (London), I am currently focusing on research into the use of telemedicine and telehealth in improving the care and conditions of neurological rehabilitation. In relation to this, I am working closely with the Mauritius Research Council to develop a neurological rehabilitation centre where telemedicine could play an essential role in patient care.

I am actively involved in education and research through my affiliation with the University of Bournemouth, where I am a Visiting Professor. I also enjoy being an invited speaker on the topics of Spinal Rehabilitation, eHealth and Telemedicine.

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

- Sept 13 - Oct 15 **Consultant in Spinal Injuries and Rehabilitation Medicine**
Private Health Practice, Salisbury
www.privatehealthpractice.com
- 2003 - May 2013 **Consultant in Spinal Injuries and Rehabilitation Medicine**
Glenside Neuro-Rehabilitation Hospital, Salisbury
www.glensidemanor.co.uk
- Jan 99 - Apr 09 **Consultant in Spinal Injuries and Rehabilitation Medicine**
Duke of Cornwall Spinal Treatment Centre
Salisbury District Hospital, Salisbury
www.spinalinjurycentre.org.uk
- Dec 96 - Dec 98 **Consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine**
(Neuro-Rehabilitation, Head Injuries)
District Healthcare NHS Trust, Lincoln
- Feb 94 - Dec 96 **Senior Registrar in Rehabilitation and Spinal Injuries**
Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore, Middlesex
- June 93 - Jan 94 **Staff Grade in Rehabilitation Medicine**
Royal Midland Counties Hospital, Leamington Spa
- July 91 - May 93 **Team Leader / Project Coordinator** in Spinal Injury Project
Bucharest, Romania
International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent
Societies (Geneva)
- Nov 88 - June 91 **Head of Rehabilitation Programmes**
(Paraplegic Centre and Orthopaedic Limb Fitting Centre) in Pakistan
International Committee of Red Cross (Geneva)

EDUCATION

- 1955-1964 Royal College Port Louis (Mauritius)
- 1966-1981 Bordeaux II University (Undergraduate Medical Studies)
University of Toulouse (Doctorate in International Law)
Bordeaux I University (Higher Studies in Political Science)
- 1985 Amiens University (MD thesis in Medicine)

QUALIFICATIONS

- 2003 Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (FRCP)
- 1994 European Board Accreditation in Rehabilitation Medicine
Specialisation in Rehabilitation Medicine in UK (London Deanery)
- 1990 Diploma in Medical Rehabilitation
- 1988 Continued Specialisation in Rehabilitation Medicine Stoke Mandeville Hospital (UK)
- 1985 M.D. (Doctorat d'Etat en Medecine)
- 1981 French Equivalent of MBBS
- 1985 CES (Specialist Degree) in Sports Medicine
Started Specialisation in Rehabilitation Medicine (Paris)
- 1979 Diplome d'Etudes Superieures en Ecologie Humain
- 1978 MSc in Human Biology (Maitrise de Biologie Humaine)
- 1978 Diploma in Tropical Ecology and Epidemiology
- 1978 Political Sciences Postgraduate Studies
- 1977 Ph.D. (Doctorat de droit) in International Law
- 1971 Diploma in International Studies

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Executive Member of “Telemedicine and e-health” section of Royal Society of Medicine (London) - 2012-2015 <http://www.rsm.ac.uk/academ/fmttelem.php>

Member of executive committee of ‘Telemedicine and e-health’ section of Royal Society of Medicine (London)

Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (FRCP) www.rcp.ac.uk

Fellow of the International Spinal Cord Society (ISCOS) www.iscos.org.uk

Member of the British Society of Rehabilitation Medicine (BSRM) www.bsrm.co.uk

Founder member and past vice-chairman Headway Salisbury

Trustee for Southern Spinal Injuries Trust (SSIT) www.ssit.org.uk

Member of Academy- Mauritius Academy of Science and Technology
www.interacademies.net/Academies/ByRegion/Africa/Mauritius.aspx

MEDICAL TRAINING POSTS

Feb 94 - Dec 96	Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore, Middlesex
Nov 87 - Oct 88	National Spinal Injuries Centre, Stoke Mandeville Hospital
July 87 - Oct 87	Centre of Hydrology and Climatology Rehabilitation, Caunterets 65, France
Apr 86 - July 87	Department of Rehabilitation, Asnieres 92, France
Apr 85 - Mar 86	Centre de Reeducation Neurologique, Coubert, France
Nov 84 - Mar 85	Centre Jacques Arnaud, Bouffemont, France
Oct 82 - Oct 84	Centre de Reeducation, Beauvais, France

TRAINING

Throughout my career as a consultant, I have had the opportunity to deliver training on a range of specialist subjects that relate to in spinal injuries and rehabilitation medicine. These have included bone density management, pain management, fertility and spinal cord injury in the developing world. In addition I have been involved in the production of educational videos on related subjects. It is important to me that we continue to raise the profile of effective spinal injury care.

PUBLICATIONS

I have written a number of papers, as well as contributing to published books. I continue to share knowledge and research in this way. A full list of my publications can be downloaded from my website, however a sample of my past work is listed below:

Soopramanien A (2012) **Pressure Ulcers in Neurologically Compromised Patients** in "Measurements in Wound Healing: Science and the Management" Ed, Pr Raj Mani (Southampton), Springer ed.- ISBN 978-1-4471-2986-8

Soopramanien A (July 2012) **Mauritius Calling: Medical Care and Neurorehabilitation Needs in an Oceanic Idyll** in Arch Phys Med Rehabil Vol 93: 2377-81- December 2012.

Pain, H, Soopramanien, A. et al (2007) **Outcomes from a randomized controlled trial of tele-rehabilitation for people with spinal cord injuries** in Journal of Telemedicine and Telecare, 13, (Supplement 1), 46-48.

Anba Soopramanien, et al (2005) **Using telemedicine to provide post discharge support for patients with spinal cord injuries.** J Telemed Telecare. 2005;11 Suppl 1:68-70

Chapter on **Spinal Cord Injury in the Developing World**, in the ABC of Spinal Cord Injury published by BMJ Publishing Group - June 2002. BMJ Books- 88 p. ISBN 072791518

Soopramanien A (1994). **Epidemiology of Spinal Injuries in Romania.** Paraplegia 32:715-22. Nov

"Blinding Weapons" by ICRC (Geneva). I contributed a chapter on **The issues of war injuries (Spinal Cord Injuries) in Afghanistan.** ICRC- 372 p. ISBN 2-88145-048-2

INTERNATIONAL WORK

Throughout my career I have welcomed opportunities to work on international projects. I am currently focusing attention on charitable work in Mauritius, however in the past I have joined projects across the globe, including:

Icelandic Health Authorities and World Health Organisation project to combine traditional and conventional treatment for spinal injury patients in **Reykjavik**

Head of Rehabilitation Services on a project in Peshawar, **Pakistan**

Leading a specialist team in setting up a Spinal Unit in **Romania** immediately following the revolution. This included a project to create wheelchairs from locally available resources, which has gone on to produce in excess of 10,000 wheelchairs

Teaching in a spinal centre in **India**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I am a citizen of France and Mauritius who is fluent in spoken and written English, French and Creole. I am married with two children.

In the future I am looking to continue raising awareness of and developing the use of digital health resources with the intention of supporting neurological rehabilitation, specifically in the UK and Mauritius. I firmly believe that telemedicine and telehealth offers the best opportunities for supporting patients, carers and healthcare professionals through remote teaching and outreach clinics.