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Professor Jürgen Floege, born in 1959, graduated from the Hannover Medical School in Germany in 1984 and subsequently received his clinical training at the Hannover Medical School. His particular interest in renal diseases and renal replacement therapies developed during various research periods in physiology, pharmacology, nephrology and pathology at the Hannover Medical School, Germany, the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York and the University of Washington, Seattle, USA. He was appointed as head of the Division of Nephrology and Immunology at the University of Aachen, Germany in 1999. Since 2001 he is also Vice Dean of the Medical School and since 2004 director of a government-funded center grant on chronic inflammation.

Professor Floege is an active member of several nephrology societies including the American Society of Nephrology (ASN), International Society of Nephrology (ISN) and the European Renal Association (ERA-EDTA). He is a current member of the ISN council's executive committee, the ERA-EDTA scientific advisory board and former ERA-EDTA council member. He was president of the European Kidney Research Association (now merged with ERA-EDTA) until June 2005. In addition, he is a founding member and vice president of the German Society of Nephrology since 2008. Together with Professors Richard Johnson and John Feehally he is editor of the best-selling textbook "Comprehensive Clinical Nephrology". Finally, Professor Floege is one of two deputy editors of the ERA-EDTA journal Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation and a member of the editorial board of several other journals, including Journal of the American Society of Nephrology, Kidney International, Nature Clinical Practise Nephrology, the Journal of Nephrology and Clinical Nephrology.

Research interests encompass both basic research, i.e. studies on growth factors, cytokines, angiogenesis, stem cells and fibrosis in the course of renal disease, as well as clinical problems in immune-mediated renal disease as well as in dialysis patients, such as bone and mineral disorders and cardiovascular risk factors.

His scientific work encompasses 155 original papers, 90 reviews and editorials, and 40 book chapters.