

# Curriculum Vitae

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**Education**

1968-72 St James School, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear  
1972-76 St Joseph's School, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear

**Qualifications**

MSc Master's Degree, Material Engineering  
CSci Chartered Scientist  
NACE Protective Coatings Specialist  
NACE Corrosion Specialist  
NACE Peer Reviewer  
FICorr Fellow Member of the Institute of Corrosion

**Publish Books**

Fitz's Atlas of Coating Defects  
Fitz's Atlas of Coating Surveys  
Coatings Inspectors Manual  
Visual Comparison Manual

Technical Author for a number of global training programs for coatings applicator, coating inspectors (inc pipeline, fireproofing, insulation, galvanising marine), coating supervisors and management of coatings.

Numerous papers and presentations on coating application, coating inspection and failure investigation.

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

30 Years within the protective coatings industry as divisional and technical director and technical authority.

**Fitz-Coatings Ltd**

Coatings Consultant and Technical Authority. Expert witness in paint disputes in high court arbitration and mediation. Investigation of paint failures and disputes on marine, offshore, petrochemical and construction industries, subject matter expert and coatings advisor.

**Wood PLC**

Divisional Director

Technical Director, Technical authority (SME) Wood Industrial Services who specialise in coatings application in the marine and construction industry.

Technical Director: Responsible to the Managing Director for the technical support of the group services which include coatings for marine, offshore, infrastructure and construction duties included coating failure investigation, coatings specification development product and application training, operator training, product and equipment development, materials review and testing, product evaluation and coating/TSA/Fireproofing related problems throughout the Group.

Director and Technical Authority of the Technical Division who supply qualified personnel to the corrosion and coatings industry.

Developed bespoke software for customers to allow cost control on management of corrosion. Also, overall responsible for health and safety, quality assurance and training.



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### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY cont

#### Rigblast (Stork)

Technical Director  
/ Divisional

Technical Director for the coatings and linings divisions of the Rigblast Group throughout the UK and Europe. The organisation employed over 2000 personnel and supplied multi-disciplined personnel to the offshore and petrochemical industry.

The role encompassed technical support to in-house services such as high performance linings, product and equipment development, insulation materials, liquid fire protection systems and product manufacture.

Developed the technical service department who conducted consultancy and inspection services on coating projects from initial design to general maintenance.

Seconded to major operators for use in coating specification development and third party testing procedures. Conducted a number of feasibility trials for maintenance of offshore platforms and vessel linings.

#### Barrier Group

Technical Director

Technical Director responsible to the Managing Director for the day to day duties on the technical and operational procedures of the organisation.

The role within the company was widespread and covered in-house coating facilities, site operations in the offshore construction and maintenance and petrochemical industries with overseas operations in a number of countries.

Product application range included specialist coatings, and fire protection (including hydrocarbon types), powder coatings, screeding and tank lining.

Responsible for product and application procedures, technical and equipment issues as well as product and applicator training.

#### Jotun Paints

Technical Director

Technical advisor for Jotun paints working with the marine industries. Sectors included cargo tanks, ballast tanks, outside shell etc. Conducting survey work, inspection product and failure investigation.