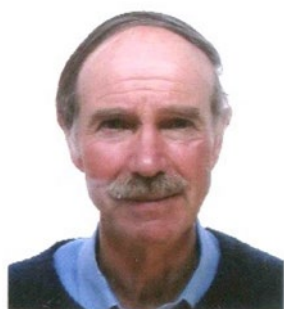


Prof Alastair Robertson - University of Edinburgh



Few geologists synthesise traditional terrestrial and marine fieldwork in such an integrated way as Professor Alastair Robertson, an internationally renowned sedimentary geologist who has made substantial contributions to our understanding of continental margin evolution and ocean basins.

He began his career working on oceanic sediments in ophiolite sections, and then broadened to look more generally at deep-water continental margin environments. His research is largely based on field observations made in the eastern Mediterranean, as well as in the Himalayas, Oman, New Zealand and California. In addition to significant amounts of terrestrial field mapping, he has also carried out observational sedimentary geology through scientific ocean drilling since the early days of his career.

He has trained large numbers of postgraduate and undergraduate students in field methods spanning a variety of subdisciplines, and many of his students have gone on to make a significant impact in the sciences. His many awards and honours include the British Sedimentology Research Group's Perce Allen Award (2015) and the Prestwich Medal of the Geological Society (2015).