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In 1998 he was awarded with the Alexander S. Onassis Public Benefit Foundation scholarship to study for the degree of Master of Science in Vascular Technology and Medicine, in London, UK with Professor Nicolaidis. This degree was awarded by the University of London in 1999. Between 1999-2003 he continued research with Professor Nicolaidis and Mr Geroulakos at the Department of Vascular Surgery, Imperial College, London, UK, towards a PhD, which was granted by the University of London in 2004.

During 2004-2008 he continued and finished his clinical training in Vascular Surgery, in England and USA (Henry Ford Hospital Vascular Surgery Fellowship Program, Detroit, Michigan, Program Director Dr Daniel Reddy MD) and received RVT (registered vascular technologist) credentials in 2008 by the American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography (ARDMS).

In 2008 he returned in Greece, received board certification in Vascular Surgery for Greece and joined the University of Patras Medical School, where he currently holds the post of the Assistant Professor (Department of Vascular Surgery, chairman Ioannis Tsolakis). Dr Kakkos has received numerous awards and distinctions for his clinical and research activities, which cover a broad spectrum of Vascular Surgery, including vascular access.

His has published more than 180 articles and book chapters and sits on the Editorial board of many Vascular journals.