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Thornton lectures internationally and writes extensively. He is author or contributor to twenty-seven textbooks on ophthalmic surgery, and author of more than 300 published papers in 15 languages.

He has lectured in 36 countries and holds honorary life membership in ophthalmic societies in five countries.

Thornton has received a number of honors including The American Academy of Ophthalmology's Honor Award and Wake Forest University School of Medicine's Distinguished Achievement Award. He is listed in Best Doctors in America, and was named 1996 "Ophthalmologist of the Year" by the Editors of Ocular Surgery News Magazine, and one of "America's Best Ophthalmologists" by Ophthalmology Times. He was named Sir Harold Ridley Distinguished Visiting Professor of Ophthalmology at University of Tennessee in 2001.

