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He is editor of the CTBUH special annual edition of the John Wiley & Sons published Journal: 'The Structural design of Tall and Special Buildings' and co-chair of the CTBUH Tall Buildings and Sustainability working group. Antony is also founder of the Tall Buildings Teaching and Research Group, based at the University of Nottingham, UK and the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago. The educational and research output of this group can be found at www.tallbuildingstarg.com.

His published research papers in the field of Tall Buildings include:

- The Skybridge as an Evacuation Option for Tall Buildings in High-Rise Cities in the Far East (2005),
- Mixed-Use High Rise in the UK: An Urban Renaissance (2005),
- The Shortfall of Tall: The rise of a High Rise Environmental Consciousness (2005),
- Bridging the Gap: An analysis of proposed evacuation links at height in the World Trade Centre design competition entries (2005),
- New Paradigms in High Rise Design (2004),
- Immediate action in providing fire safety in cities with dense high-rise buildings; The Possibility of Incorporating Skybridges (2004), and
- Pavements in the Sky: The use of the Skybridge in Tall Buildings (2003)

He is working on research projects in conjunction with Arup, the WSP Group and the Hong Kong Polytechnic University Department of Building Services Engineering. This latter collaboration is on the Hong Kong Research Council-funded project: "The Skybridge as an Evacuation Option for Tall Buildings in Hong Kong".