

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## Postgraduate Education:

- **Pathology:** Institute of Pathology, University of Bern
- **Internal Medicine:** Regional hospital of Sumiswald
- **Surgery:** Kantonsspital Schaffhausen
- **Internal Medicine:** University Hospital (Inselspital), Bern
- **Internal Medicine:** Department of Internal Medicine, Kantonsspital St.Gallen

## Postgraduate Education in Rheumatology

- Rheumatology, University of California **San Diego**
- Rheuma- und Rehabilitationsklinik **Valens**
- Head of Rheumatology a.i. Rheuma- und Rehabilitationsklinik **Valens**
- University Hospital, Department of Rheumatology and Institute of Physical Medicine, **Zürich**
- Head, Division of Rheumatology and Rehabilitative Medicine, Kantonsspital **St. Gallen**

## Basic Research Activities:

- **Research fellow** at the Department of Internal Medicine, University Hospital (Inselspital; Prof. W. Straub)
- **Research Associate in Clinical Immunology:** Department of Molecular and Experimental Medicine, Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, La Jolla, California, USA (Prof. D.A. Carson)
- **Postgraduate Research Immunologist:** Division of Rheumatology, Department of Medicine, University of California, San Diego, USA (Associate Prof. M.Lotz and Prof. D.Carson)

## Sabbaticals:

- **National Centre of Reference for Rare Diseases** (Vasculitides and Systemic Sclerosis) at the University Hospital Cochin, Paris, France; Head: Prof. Loïc Guillemin (7/2009 - 12/2009);
- **University Hospital Gaetano-Pini, Division of Rheumatology**, Milano, Italy; Head: Prof. Pier-Luigi Meroni (2/2017 - 4/2017)

### **Last academic Position:**

- **May 1999 to July 2020: *Chairman and Head*** of the Department of Rheumatology, Immunology and Allergology, University Hospital, Bern, Switzerland
- ***Professor of Rheumatology and Clinical Immunology*** at the Medical Faculty, University of Bern, Switzerland

### **Certificates:**

#### **Titles of the Swiss Medical Association (Foederatio Medicorum Helveticorum [FMH])**

- **Internal Medicine**
- **Rheumatology**
- **Rehabilitation and Physical Medicine**
- ***Manual Medicine*** (Swiss Association of Manual Medicine; certificate until 2015)
- ***Interventional Pain Medicine*** (Swiss Society of Interventional Pain Medicine: SSIPM)
- ***Psychosomatic and psychosocial Medicine*** (Swiss Academy for Psychosomatic and Psychosocial Medicine: SAPPM)
- ***Musculo-skeletal Ultrasound*** (SGUM)

### **Academic degrees:**

- **Diploma in Medicine** (*University of Bern*): 15.12.1980
- **MD:** Thesis "Knee Prosthesis" (Prof. M.E.Müller / Prof. R.Ganz, University of Bern)
- **Venia legendi** in "**Rheumatology with subspecialty Immunology**" (lecturer in Rheumatology and Clinical Immunology at the medical faculty of Zürich)
- Full **Professor of Rheumatology and Clinical Immunology**, University of Bern

### **Membership and professional activities:**

- President of the Swiss Association of Rheumatology (9/2004 – 9/2008)
- Vice-Dean (Postgraduate Education) of the Medical Faculty of Bern (2007-2012)
- Delegate of the Medical Faculty of Bern in the SIWF (2007-2012)
- Expert and member of the jury of the EC's Framework Programme 7, Brussels
- Member of the Committee of the Swiss Society of Manual Medicine
- Member of the Committee of the Swiss Insurance Medicine (SIM)
- Member of the Committee of the Swiss Clinical Quality Management (SCQM) program

### **Research Interests:**

- Pathogenesis and Treatment of systemic autoimmune diseases, in particular **Vasculitides** (Giant Cell Arteritis, Takayasuarteritis, Behçet Syndrome, ANCA-Vasculitides) and **Connective Tissue Diseases** (systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Sjögren-syndrome, Scleroderma, Mixed Connective Tissue disease, Undefined-Connective Tissue disease) and **autoinflammatory diseases**
- Clinical studies with **Biologic agents**
- Regulatory mechanisms of **pregnancy** on disease activity in rheumatic diseases

**Publications:**

Pubmed: "Villiger PM." (additional publications in the field of Rheumatology and Immunology under the name Villiger P.)

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