

## Curriculum vitae – Christian Dejaco, MD, PhD, MBA, Assoc. Prof.

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### Academic training

Place of training	Degree	Year	Field
Medical University of Innsbruck	M.D.	2004	Medicine
Medical University of Innsbruck	Ph.D.	2007	Medical sciences
Medical University Graz	M.B.A	2015	Healthy care and hospital management

### Current position

- Director, Department of Rheumatology, South Tyrol Health Trust, Bruneck hospital (I)
- Associate Professor, Department of Rheumatology, Medical University Graz

### Previous employments

2004-2011 Specialist training in Internal medicine (Innsbruck Medical University, General hospital of the Elisabethinen Klagenfurt and Medical University Graz)

2011-2012 Specialist Registrar in Rheumatology, Medical University Graz, Department of Rheumatology

2012-2016 Consultant in Rheumatology, Medical University Graz, Department of Rheumatology

2017-2019 Consultant in Rheumatology, South Tyrol Health Trust, Hospital of Bruneck

Since 2019 Director of the Department of Rheumatology, South Tyrol Health Trust, Hospital of Bruneck

### Research stays abroad

2013 Southend University Hospital, Essex, United Kingdom (Prof. B. Dasgupta) (6 months)

2015 Charité, Berlin, Germany (Prof. F. Buttgerit) (3 months)

### Main areas of research and research achievements

My main fields of research are large vessel vasculitis (LVV) and polymyalgia rheumatica (PMR) as well as the use of ultrasound in rheumatology. I have been the first author of the 2018 and 2023 EULAR recommendations for the use of imaging in LVV, the first author of the Treat to target recommendations in GCA and PMR, a coauthor of the 2018 EULAR management

recommendations in LVV and the 2015 EULAR/ACR management recommendations of PMR. I am currently leading an ACR/EULAR project to define response criteria in giant cell arteritis (GCA). In addition, I am the first authors of the EULAR Points to Consider on the use of imaging to guide interventional procedures in patients with RMD, the first author of a new OMERACT composite score for GCA and the senior author of the EULAR Points to Consider on the use of remote care in RMD patients.

### **Editorial work**

- Associate Editor of Rheumatology
- Associate Editor of Therapeutic Advances in MSK Diseases
- Associate Editor of Frontiers in Medicine
- Editorial Board Member of Annals of Rheumatic Diseases
- Editorial Board Member of Joint Bone Spine
- Co-Convenor of the EULAR online course

### **Memberships**

EULAR (European League against Rheumatism), ÖGR (Austrian Society of Rheumatology), SIR (Italian Society of Rheumatology)

### **Boards**

Since 2023	Member of the EULAR council, abstract chair of the EULAR conference
2021-2023	Member of the EULAR Committee of Education
2012-2021	Ambassador in the „EULAR Standing Committee on Musculoskeletal Imaging“ for Austria
Since 2011	Chair of the working group „imaging“ of the Austrian society for rheumatology and rehabilitation
2012 - 2020	Board member Austrian society of rheumatology and rehabilitation
2014-2018	Chair of the scientific section of the Austrian society for rheumatology and rehabilitation
2015 – 2016	Chair of the Doctoral School „Bone, Muscle, Joint“, Medical University Graz

### **Reviewer activity**

Up to date reviews for > 50 scientific journals have been performed including New England Journal of Medicine, Nature Reviews Disease Primers, Annals of Rheumatic Diseases, Arthritis and Rheumatology, Lancet Rheumatology, Rheumatology (Oxford), Seminars in arthritis and Rheumatology, Arthritis Research And Care, as well as for national and international PhD thesis, habilitations and grants for national societies.

### **Most important publications**

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4. DeJaco C, Ramiro S, Duftner C, Besson FL, Bley TA, Blockmans D, Brouwer E, Cimmino MA, Clark E, Dasgupta B, Diamantopoulos AP, Direskeneli H, Iagnocco A, Klink T, Neill L, Ponte C, Salvarani C, Slart RHJA, Whitlock M, Schmidt WA. EULAR recommendations for the use of imaging in large vessel vasculitis in clinical practice. *Ann Rheum Dis.* 2018 May;77(5):636-643. doi: 10.1136/annrheumdis-2017-212649
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6. Fessler J, Raicht A, Husic R, Ficjan A, Schwarz C, Duftner C, Schwinger W, Graninger WB, Stradner MH, DeJaco C. Novel Senescent Regulatory T-Cell Subset with Impaired Suppressive Function in Rheumatoid Arthritis. *Front Immunol.* 2017;8:300. doi: 10.3389/fimmu.2017.00300.
7. Buttgerit F, DeJaco C, Matteson EL, Dasgupta B. Polymyalgia Rheumatica and Giant Cell Arteritis: A Systematic Review. *JAMA.* 2016 Jun 14;315(22):2442-58. doi: 10.1001/jama.2016.5444.
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