

Curriculum Vitae

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Educational Background

Following his undergraduate training and his doctorate at the Albert-Einstein University in Ulm, Germany, Hans-Ulrich initially trained as a general physician in the UK, passing the board exam for general medicine (MRCP) in 1995, before starting a career as a radiologist. Following qualification in Clinical Radiology (FRCR), he undertook a 4-year fellowship in GI-intervention and interventional endoscopy and was appointed as Head of Interventional Radiology at The Christie in 2005.

Professional Career

Over the next 15 years he developed the service into an internationally recognised reference centre for cancer procedures with close ties to leading manufacturers in the medical device industry. In 2019 upper GI endoscopy was fully integrated into the radiology department, facilitating a regional referral service for combined upper GI procedures.

As one of the national experts in GI stents, he is heavily involved in teaching and education through several international societies and has contributed to a number of national guidelines.

Hans-Ulrich holds a visiting professorship in the Department of Natural Sciences at the University of Chester and leads research projects into medical device failure with the Department of Materials at Manchester University in Manchester and the University of Chemistry and Technology in Prague.

To support this research Hans-Ulrich co-founded a not-for-profit company, Minnova Medical Foundation (www.minnova.uk), which consists of a team of medical and industry experts, who fundraise through consulting and educational activities.

Research Field

Corrosive failure of NiTiNOL stents
EEG-guidance for procedural sedation
Failure mechanisms of percutaneous drainage tubes

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