

## **Bios for ORAL presentations at ECIM 2015 - in alphabetical order according to surname**

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### **Alcantara, Dr. Joel**

Dr Alcantara practices in San Jose CA, USA and is the Research Director for the International Chiropractic Pediatric Association. His research interests are in examining the safety and efficacy in the chiropractic care of children, pregnant women and family wellness care.

### **von Ammon, Dr. Klaus**

Completed his medical studies in Hamburg, Marburg and Munich, Germany. From 1981-1996 he worked as a neurosurgeon at University Hospitals in Munich and Zurich, Switzerland. Having completed homeopathy training until 2001, he works at the Institute for Complementary Medicine IKOM, University of Bern, in the fields of clinical and epidemiological research, as well as in private homeopathic practice near Zurich.

### **Baars, Prof. Dr. Erik. W.**

MD, MSc, PhD. Louis Bolk Institute, Driebergen, The Netherlands. Medical doctor and epidemiologist Dr. Erik W. Baars worked for over 15 years in anthroposophic healthcare and is senior healthcare researcher at the Louis Bolk Instituut. Since 2007 he has been a professor of Anthroposophic Healthcare at the University of Applied Sciences Leiden. Erik Baars has more than 200 publications to his name.

### **Baccetti, Dr. Sonia**

Tuscan Network for Integrative Medicine; Directorate General for Citizenship Rights and Social Cohesion, Tuscany Region (Florence, Italy) MD, Expert degree in Acupuncture; Professor in Private Schools and University Masters of Acupuncture; Director of Traditional Chinese Medicine Centre - Local Health Unit of Florence; Director of Tuscan Network for Integrative Medicine - Directorate General for Citizenship Rights and Social Cohesion, Tuscany Region in Italy.

### **Berger, Mrs. Bettina**

Germany. No bios available.

### **Brandes, Dr. Vera**

Paracelsus Medical University, Austria.

### **Brinkhaus, Prof. Dr. Benno**

Charité Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany.

**Coakley, Dr. Amanda Bulette**

Is a Registered Nurse at Massachusetts General Hospital. She has a PhD in Nursing from Boston College and is a Fellow in the National Academy of Practice. She conducts research on Complementary Therapies such as Therapeutic Touch and Pet Therapy.

**Diop, Mr. Assane**

Pharmacie de L'Orangerie, Neuchâtel, Switzerland. Originally from Senegal, I live now between Senegal and Switzerland. I have an education in Biology and Pharmaceutical sciences. I work in the areas Pharmacognosy, Phytochemistry and pharmaceutical compounding. I'm studying in my PhD Interactions between Plants and drugs on TB treatment.

**Efferth, Dr. Thomas**

Germany. No bios available.

**Frei-Erb, Dr. Martin**

University Of Bern, Switzerland.

**Graz, Dr. Bertrand**

MD, MPH works for the CAM unit at Lausanne University. As such he is involved in the assessment of non-conventional practices. He has a doctorate in Medicine, a Master's in Public health / International health (John Hopkins University, Baltimore), and a Certificate in Tropical Medicine (Swiss Tropical Institute, Basel). He has developed several innovative methods for assessing complementary therapies and local traditional medicines, in China, Africa and Europe.

**Haller, Dr. Heidemarie**

Is working as a PhD student and research assistant at the Department of Internal and Integrative Medicine, Kliniken Essen Mitte, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany since 2010. In 2014 she started to additionally work at the Department of Senology, Kliniken Essen Mitte, Germany where she is responsible for clinical and health services research in the field of integrative oncology.

**Hitziger, Msc. Martin**

Is scientific assistant, project co-leader and PhD student at ETH Zurich's transdisciplinarity Lab. His current focus is on multimethod approaches to eliciting traditional fitomedicine and collaborative approaches for

integrative medicine in developing countries. His background is in environmental sciences (MSc. Univ. Bayreuth) and decision sciences (MSc. LSE London).

**Hohmann, Dr. Christoph-Daniel**

Was educated as naturopath (german „Heilpraktiker“) from 2002 to 2005. He continued his education with the study of human medicine at Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin from 2006 to 2012 which he completed with a degree as medical doctor in 2012. Since early 2013 he works as a research associate at the Charité Centre for Naturopathy (universitary outpatients) in the group of Prof. Michalsen.

**Hu, PhD. Xiao-Yang**

Is a PhD candidate at the London South Bank University. Her current study focusing on integrative treatment for musculoskeletal disorders is an integration of her background in acupuncture in TCM (China) and her master in musculoskeletal science (MSc. UCL).

**Huber, Dr. Roman**

University Medical Center, Germany.

**Hughes, Dr. MD. John**

Royal London Hospital for Integrated Medicine, UK.

**Hummelsberger, Dr. Med. Josef**

Is specialized in internal medicine since 1993 and Licensed Acupuncturist and Naturopath (BRD). He combines western medicine and TCM for more than 20 years in his clinic, and has contributed to several scientific trials like the ART-trials, ACUSAR, TCM in allergic rhinitis and books. He is teaching in the Societas medicinae sinensis, at universities and was appointed visiting professor in the Chengdu TCM university.

**Jurcău, Dr. MD. PhD. Ramona**

Romania. No bios available.

**Kessler, Dr. Christian**

Dr. Kessler is research coordinator at the Department for Integrative Medicine, Immanuel Hospital Berlin, Germany. His personal research focus is on Traditional Systems of Medicine, in particular Ayurveda and Yoga.

**Kraft, Prof. Dr. Karin**

University Medicine/Rostock, Germany.

**Kröz, Dr. Matthias**

Works as an internist and specialist in sleep medicine as a consultant in the department of internal medicine/oncology at Havelhöhe Hospital, Berlin, Research Institute Havelhöhe (FIH). He is Co-director of the FIH. His scientific works focuses i.a. on the evaluation of the anthroposophic medicine, cancer-related fatigue-syndrome and mistletoe research.

**Lauche, Dr. Romy**

Is a graduate psychologist and postdoctoral research fellow at the Department of Internal and Integrative Medicine, Kliniken Essen Mitte, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany and research fellow at the Australian Research Centre in Complementary and Integrative Medicine (ARCCIM), University of Technology in Sydney, Australia. Her main responsibilities include the conduct of research projects such as clinical trials and systematic reviews.

**Li, Dr. Shu-Ching**

Shu-Ching Li works as a doctor of Chinese Medicine and Acupuncturist, with a bachelor's degree in Chinese medicine in China's Medical University of Taiwan. She is a passionate doctor who dedicates her work on acupuncture, and she has written many articles in newspaper about the clinical use of traditional medicine.

**Lötzke, MSc. Désirée**

Institute of Integrative Medicine, University Witten/Herdecke. I studied sports science and public health. Since April 2014 I am working at the Chair for Theory of Medicine, Integrative and Anthroposophic Medicine. I deal with non-pharmacological interventions.

**Maizes, Dr. MD. Victoria**

Executive Director, Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine; Professor of Clinical Medicine, Family Medicine and Public Health, The University of Arizona (USA).

**Mathie, Dr. Robert**

Is Research Development Adviser at the British Homeopathic Association, Luton, UK. During 25 years in the university sector, Robert published some 100 peer-reviewed papers, review articles and book chapters. In his current position at the British Homeopathic Association, he has been encouraging and enabling homeopathic practitioners to improve the quantity and the quality of their research output. He has developed collaborations with university researchers and has led clinical data collection projects for Faculty

of Homeopathy doctors, dentists and vets in the UK. Research publications in homeopathy have been achieved in over 30 peer-reviewed papers and reviews. Since 2010, in a key initiative to identify reliable evidence in homeopathy, Robert has extended his work in analysing the research literature by means of a major, internationally collaborative, programme of systematic reviews of randomised controlled trials.

**McDermott, MSc. Clare**

Primary Care and Population Science, University Of Southampton, UK.

**Michalsen, MD. PhD. Andreas**

Germany. No bios available.

**O'Brien, Dr. Emma**

PhD founded of the award winning music therapy program at the Royal Melbourne Hospital in 1998 in cancer care, neurology, rehabilitation and environmental music. Emma is the Manager and Senior Clinician of the diverse program and in 2011 she was awarded the prestigious Victorian Public Healthcare Award for Enabling Person and Family Centred Care through her innovative therapeutic songwriting program. Emma also has a joint Executive Board appointment with The Institute for Creative Health, an Australian peak body that advocates for best practice for all arts and health programs across all settings, with The Institute being instrumental in the formulation and Government endorsement of the National Arts and Health Framework.

**Okan, Mrs. Ayse**

London Metropolitan University, UK.

**Ortiz, Dr. Miriam**

Is a research associate at the Integrative Medicine Research Unit of the Institute for Social Medicine, Epidemiology and Health Economics, Charité University Medicine Berlin. She is specialised in clinical studies (including RCT's) in the field of Integrative Medicine. As general practitioner she is working at the Institutes' Outpatient Clinic for Integrative Medicine.

**Ostermann, Prof. Dr. Thomas**

Witten/Herdecke University, Germany.

**Qu, Dr. Fan**

Is an Associate Professor and PhD Supervisor at Women's Hospital, School of Medicine, Zhejiang University, China. As PI, he has been awarded more than 10 grants in the last five years, published over 50 peer-

reviewed papers and has filed 10 patents. He was awarded the second rank of National Scientific and Technological Prize of China (2011), Outstanding Young Investigator of Integrative Medicine (2012), Academic Award of Natural Science of Zhejiang Province (2012). Dr QU was a WP10 member in the EU FP7 GP-TCM project and is now Co-Chair of PTIG, GP-TCM RA and he also serves as Vice-President of Acupuncture Research Committee, Zhejiang Acupuncture Association, China.

**Raphael, MA. Hilly**

Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust, UK.

**Ridder, Prof. Dr. Hanne Mette**

MA-MT, PhD, Professor, Director of the Doctoral Programme in Music Therapy, Department of Communication and Psychology, Aalborg University. President of the European Music Therapy Confederation (EMTC), advisory editorial board member for the Nordic Journal of Music Therapy, Approaches: Music Therapy & Special Music Education, and Music & Medicine. Approved clinical music therapy supervisor.

**Rossi, Dr. Elio Giovanni**

Homeopathic Clinic Of Campo Di Marte Hospital, Italy.

**Sanfi, PhD. Ilan**

Aarhus University Hospital, Denmark.

**Saverino, Daniele**

Italy. No bios available.

**Seifert, Mr. Georg**

Germany. No bios available.

**Selvan, Dr. Senthamil**

Serves as Research Director of Vivekananda Yoga Research Foundation in CA. Since 2010, Dr. Selvan has been deeply interested in Yoga Therapy research due to his own experience in reversing certain disorders including diabetes, hypertension, and sleep apnea through the practice of Yoga without medication. To further establish quality Yoga research, he has founded Yoga Research International in US with its activities in Europe and in other parts of the world. He is Council of Yoga Accreditation International (CYAI) certified Yoga Instructor, and further obtained training in Yoga therapy modules for various disorders including,

asthma, hypertension, diabetes and arthritis. He has recently published a review on “Irritable Bowel Syndrome: Yoga as Remedial Therapy” (Evidence-Based Complementary and Alternative Medicine, vol. 2015, Article ID 398156, 2015).

**Stock-Schröer, Dr. Beate**

The author is scientific advisor in the Carstens-Foundation for more than 15 years. As a biologist, her main focus is on the scientific support of medical students during their doctoral studies in the field of naturopathy and complementary therapies. There are several seminars and workshops for students and scientists she provides within foundation’s funding program.

**Stöckigt, Dr. Barbara**

Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany.

**Sundberg, MD. Tobias**

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**Taw, Dr. Malcolm**

UCLA Center For East-West Medicine, US.

**Teut, MD. Michael**

Is a general practitioner, researcher at Institute for Social Medicine and Outpatient Department for Integrative Medicine, Charité Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany.

**Trapani, Dr. Gianfranco**

Società Medicina Bioterapica SMB Italia, Italy.

**Wang, Mrs. Zhi-Jie**

Has graduated from Heilongjiang University of Chinese Medicine. She is now a TCM teaching assistant at School of Health and Social Care in London South Bank University.

**Weidenhammer, PhD. Wolfgang**

Is trained as psychologist, PhD in Human Biology (University Munich) and Philosophy (Dept. Psychology, University Koblenz-Landau). Various positions as research assistant since 1979, academic researcher at

Division of Medical Psychology, Psychiatric University Hospital Erlangen, bio-statistician at a private Contract Research Organization. Since 1994 academic researcher at the Competence Centre for Complementary Medicine and Naturopathy (leader: Prof D Melchart), University hospital 'Klinikum rechts der Isar', Techn Univ Munich.

**Weissenstein, Dr. Ulrike**

Studies of biology (genetics) and doctoral thesis at the Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany. Post-Doctoral scientist in preclinical research of Sandoz Pharma AG, Basel, Switzerland. Since 2005 senior research scientist of the Hiscia Institute (Iscaidor AG, Arlesheim, Switzerland) with hands-on research experience in tumor biology/immunology and integrative oncology.

**Winther, Prof. Kaj**

University Of Copenhagen, Denmark.