

Christian Müller MD appointed to *European Heart Journal* editorial team

New Associate Editor leading a young team brings research and innovative ideas to *European Heart Journal*

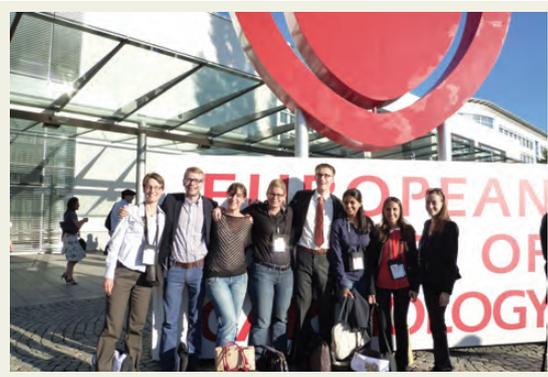


Dr Christian Müller is a clinical cardiologist at the University Hospital Basel, Switzerland. He is professor of cardiology, internal medicine, and intensive care medicine at Basel University and head of the division of cardiovascular outcome research.

After graduation from Munich University, Germany, Christian started his cardiology training and research activities at the Herz-Zentrum Bad Krozingen (chair: Prof. Roskamm). Working in the research groups of Prof. Frey (Herz-Zentrum Bad Krozingen, Germany) and Prof. Hodgson (Cleveland University, USA) his research areas were cardiac modulations by the autonomous nervous system, the optimization of peri-procedural medical management in interventional cardiology and intravascular ultrasound guidance of coronary angioplasty and stenting. Valuable friendship and close scientific cooperation with Dr Achim Büttner and Dr Thomas Zeller allowed Christian to broaden his clinical and scientific scope.

Christian Müller continued his clinical training in internal medicine, intensive care medicine, and cardiology at the University Hospital Basel in Switzerland (chair: Prof. Perruchoud). With the support of the Swiss National Science Foundation, the Swiss Heart Foundation and Basel University, he was able to establish his own research group in Basel to contribute to improving the early diagnosis and management of acute heart failure and acute myocardial infarction. Important scientific milestones of this work include the publication of the first results of the BASEL (*New England Journal of Medicine* 2004) and APACE study (*New England Journal of Medicine* 2009). Since 2004 Christian is a professor at Basel University. In 2011 he was promoted to 'Extraordinarius'.

In research as well as life in general, Christian particularly enjoys building, maintaining, and leading winning teams of highly motivated and goal-oriented friends.



Research team at ESC Congress



C. Müller with research team on River Rhine, Basel

Current research topics of his group of young and bright clinical researchers include the best possible clinical incorporation of high-sensitivity cardiac troponins as well as other novel biomarkers into clinical care, rapid rule-in and rule-out strategies for acute myocardial infarction, the initial diagnosis and management of patients with acute dyspnoea, the evaluation and clinical implementation of aggressive vasodilator therapy in acute heart failure, novel strategies to detect exercise-induced myocardial ischaemia, and the management of patients with syncope. These studies are conducted with an international network of friends and colleagues.

Together with Profs Alex Mebazaa and Salvatore di Somma in Rome, Christian has founded the GREAT network, www.greatnetwork.org which is dedicated to advancing research in acute cardiovascular conditions. Christian is also Secretary of the Acute Cardiovascular Care Association in the European Society of Cardiology.

In the last two decades, Christian has mentored many young clinical researchers, of which >20 have achieved first authorships on important scientific publications in all major cardiovascular journals.



Cardiology soccer team University Hospital Basel with Chairman Prof. Stefan Osswald

He also very much enjoys spending time with his lovely daughters (5 and 7 years of age), playing football and tennis, swimming in the river Rhine, skiing, dancing, and travelling.

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