

St Anthony's Hospital

Personal Profile

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After my degree in human biology in England, I studied medicine at the University of Heidelberg, also gaining practical experience in London, Montreal and Lausanne. I was then accepted into the German orthopaedic training programme, and wanting to gain more international experience I was accepted as the first German registrar on the advanced orthopaedic training programme in Australia where I spent almost 2 years. After that I returned to Germany and finished my orthopaedic training in 1998.

In January 1999 I was offered my first consultancy and was also appointed acting director of the department by the end of that year. I then changed to the university teaching hospital in Lubeck, Germany, as a consultant in order to help and set up the new department of Trauma, Joint and Spinal Surgery. I also dealt with a lot of sports injuries and arthroscopic procedures which is my second line of interest.

As I had a main interest in spinal surgery I did a travelling AO fellowship in 2001 in Newcastle upon Tyne and in Oxford. In August 2004 was appointed consultant orthopaedic surgeon at the Mayday University Hospital in Croydon, specialising in spinal procedures.

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