

Dr. Jean-Pierre Michel, M.D.

Dr. Jean-Pierre Michel is a full Professor of Medicine at Geneva University Medical School and head of the geriatric ward – 124 acute care beds including an intensive care unit of 4 beds at the Geneva University Hospitals - Switzerland.

From 1987 to 2007, he chaired the Geneva Geriatric Institutions (440 beds with community and ambulatory networks) and set up the Academic Geriatric department of the Geneva Medical School and University Hospitals including 3 full professors of medicine and 13 other academic positions in geriatrics, biology of ageing, bone metabolism, gerodontology and palliative medicine.

Before joining Geneva, he served since 1977, as professor of internal medicine at Limoges University Medical School (France) and between 1983 and 1987 as chief of the Geriatric ward (300 beds including 24 acute care beds) at the University Hospitals of this medium size city.

He co-founded the Interdisciplinary Gerontology Centre (Geneva University) and the European Academy for Medicine of Aging (EAMA), who contributed to promote 42 professors of geriatric medicine, mainly in Europe. A few of his overseas students created the same kind of teaching activities based on the EAMA model in Central and South Americas - ALMA- and the Middle East – MEAMA, which are still very active and successful.

Currently he is honorary professor of medicine in Limoges University (F), at the Beijing University Hospital (CN), and adjunct professor at Mac Gill University (CA). Moreover he is Fellow of the Royal British College of Physicians of London (UK) and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow (UK).

In 2006, he got the International Ignatus NASCHER Prize “Life Long Achievement” (Austria) and in 2010, he was elected corresponding member of the French National Academy of Medicine.

After acting as academic director of the European Union Geriatric Medicine Society (EUGMS) he was elected President of the EUGMS (Elect between 2010 and 2012 and active 2012-2014).

He has authored about 400 scientific papers (including more than 200 peer review papers, original research papers and reviews). He is the author of numerous book chapters and co-editor of the Oxford Textbook of Geriatric Medicine - 2000 - and the International Textbook of Geriatrics - 2010.

Since 2010 he is the editor-in-chief of the EUGMS journal named European Geriatric Medicine (EGM).