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Previously, he was professor of Molecular Dermatology and Immunology at Technische Universität München (TUM), Munich, Germany, since 2000 and vice-chair of the clinical Department of Dermatology and Allergy of TUM (chaired by Prof. Johannes Ring) since 2006. Prof. Ollert pioneered a relevant line of translational research allowing to fill important missing gaps between laboratory research and molecular diagnostic application for patients with insect venom allergy. He has served as chairperson of the Interest Group (IG) Allergy Diagnosis (IGAD) within the European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology (EAACI), when he initiated the Task Force on Molecular Allergology that published the world's first comprehensive Users' Guide on Molecular Allergology for allergy healthcare professionals with Prof. Ollert as senior author and editor in 2016. From 2019-2022, Prof. Ollert was member-at-large in the EAACI Executive Committee representing Western and Central Europe. For the term 2022-2024, he was elected as Vice-President Science and Member of the Board of Officers of EAACI. Prof. Ollert is a clinician scientist with board certifications and clinical specializations in Dermatology and in Allergology. Prof. Ollert has published more than 260 articles in scientific journals or text books, of which 255 are listed in PubMed\*#. During the national effort in Luxembourg against the COVID-19 pandemic, Prof. Ollert has been heading the diagnostic work package (WP04) of the COVID-19 Task Force Research Luxembourg, thus contributing to successful national pandemic management in Luxembourg, which outperformed all other European Union (EU) countries and the UK in economic aspects and COVID-excess mortality, as shown in an independent WHO study (Msemburi et al., 2023, Nature, 613, 130-137). Prof. Ollert is the recipient of the Erich Fuchs-Prize 2022, a lifetime achievement award of the Association of German Allergologists (AeDA) in recognition of individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to science and education in allergy and clinical immunology.

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