

## Dr. Javier Garau



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Chair, Supporting Active Ageing Through Immunisation

Dr Javier Garau, the world leader in the study of adult immunization, is the former President of the European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (ESCMID), Associate Professor of Medicine at the University of Barcelona and former Head of the Department of Medicine at Hospital Universitari Mutua de Terrassa, Barcelona. His research includes community-acquired bacterial infections, antibiotic resistance and new antimicrobials.

Dr Garau has authored over 200 publications in the field of clinical microbiology and infectious diseases. He is an American Board of Internal Medicine and American Board of Infectious Diseases diplomat and an active member of numerous medical committees, professional societies and editorial boards of peer-reviewed journals. Dr Garau served as the president of La Sociedad Espanola de Enfermedades Infecciosas y Microbiologia Clinica from 1990 to 1992 and as vice-president of the Spanish Society of Chemotherapy from 1988 to 1990. He also served as the ESCMID education officer.

## Professor Serhat Ünal



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Professor Ünal is previous Dean of the School of Medicine and Chair of Department of Medicine at Hacettepe University in Ankara, Turkey. He previously served as a Fellow in Infectious Diseases at the New England Deaconess Hospital and Harvard Medical School in Boston, MA. His main areas of interest are hospital infection control, antimicrobial resistance in gram positive cocci, adult vaccination, and HIV infection.

Professor Ünal has published 140 international articles and 150 international abstracts. He was honored with the Non-Governmental Organizations Women Health Commission Millennium Award in HIV/AIDS in 2002 and the Centenary Medal of the Polish Society of Internal Medicine in 2008. Prof. Ünal is President of the Turkish Society of Internal Medicine, Executive Board, member of European Federation of Internal Medicine and the Chair of Adult Vaccination Study Group of the same organization.

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Dr. O.P. Sharma (MD, F.R.C.P., F.I.C.N., F.I.A.M.S., F.C.G.P., F.I.A.C.M., F.G.S.I., F.I.M.S.A), the General Secretary of the Geriatric Society of India, is a leading pioneer in the study of Geriatrics within India. Among his contributions to the field, he is responsible for authoring “Geriatric Care in India,” the first textbook on the subject to be written from an Indian perspective and for serving as editor of the foundational report “Indian Guidelines for Vaccination in Older Adults”

In addition, Dr. O.P. Sharma has vast experience in organising conferences on Geriatrics at the Regional, National and International levels. He is the Course-Director cum Editor of "PG Diploma Certificate Course on Geriatrics" of IMA AKN Sinha Institute and Course Writer of "PG Distance Education Course on Geriatrics" of IGNOU. Besides being a Founder Fellow of Indian College of Physicians, Geriatric Society of India and International College of Nutrition, he is also a Fellow of IMA College of General Practitioners, IMA Academy of Medical Specialities, International Academy of Medical Specialities, Indian Academy of Clinical Medicine and Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh. He has delivered several orations and received many awards. Dr. Sharma is a life member of twenty-three Scientific Associations.