



Prof. Christoph C. Zielinski, M.D.

Professor Zielinski born in Wieliczka, Poland, on May 20, 1952, is a Medical Oncologist and Professor of Medical Oncology and Clinical Immunology.

He currently serves as President of the Central European Cooperative Oncology Group (CECOG; www.cecog.org), Medical Director of the Central European Cancer Center and of the Wiener Privatklinik (www.wpk.at) in Vienna, Austria, and serves as founding Editor-in-Chief of the internet-only journal of the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO) “ESMO Open – Cancer Horizons” (esmoopen.bmj.com) which has recently received its initial impact factor of 5.329.

As President of the Central European Cooperative Oncology Group (CECOG), he has held this position from 1999 until today with CECOG having conducted a series of practice changing clinical studies and been engaged in major educational activities via its Academy in 23 countries of Central and Southeastern Europe.

Professor Zielinski completed his medical training at the University Hospital Vienna and began his career with a position as a research fellow at the Cancer Research Center at Tufts University, Boston, USA. Prof. Zielinski became full Professor of Medical Oncology and Clinical Immunology in 1992.

From 2004 to 2017 he was chairman of the Department of Medicine I and its Clinical Division of Oncology and from 2010 to 2018 Director of the Comprehensive Cancer Center of the Medical University Vienna – General Hospital. From 2017 until 2020 he has held the position of a Director of the Vienna Cancer Center of the Vienna Hospital Association and the Medical University Vienna, Austria.

His recent clinical research activities cover a wide range of cancer therapies, with particular focus on clinical studies in breast and lung cancer including the development of concepts related to immuno-oncology and targeted drugs. He has published more than 586 original papers and reviews in peer-review journals and many books.

The impact factor of scientific publications exceeds 3500 with citation numbers exceeding 23.000. Prof. Zielinski’s h-Index is 72.

In 2013, Professor Zielinski received a “Dr. h.c.” degree from Titu Maiorescu University in Bucharest and has received several high medals acknowledging his achievements from the Republic of Romania, the Republic of Austria and the City of Vienna.

Professor Zielinski is a member of the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO) where he served on the Executive Board and as Chair of the Fellowships and Awards Committee from 2014-2017 and is

currently member of the ESMO Council. He was Local Officer of the ESMO Annual Meeting 2012 and the ECC Meeting 2015. Prof. Zielinski is a Honorary Member of the Polish Society for Clinical Oncology and also member of the Austrian Society for Hematology and Oncology, the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO), the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) and the Chinese Society for Clinical Oncology (CSCO).