

## Guest Editors

Francesco Bonella

Francesco Bonella is Associate Professor of Medicine and Head of the Division for Interstitial and Rare Lung Disease, Department of Pneumology, at the Ruhrlandlinik University Hospital (Essen, Germany). He received his undergraduate training and his MD from the University of Verona (Verona, Italy), and completed his PhD in ILD at the University of Essen under the guidance of Professor Ulrich Costabel.



His research interests include sarcoidosis, IPF, autoimmune ILD, and pulmonary alveolar proteinosis, with a special focus on biomarkers, genetic predisposition and the application of BAL. He has acted as an investigator for major clinical trials in IPF, sarcoidosis and pulmonary alveolar proteinosis.

Francesco founded EuPAPNet, the European Network for pulmonary alveolar proteinosis, and is a member of the Steering Committee of ERN-LUNG: the European Reference Network on rare respiratory diseases. He has been actively involved in the European Respiratory Society (ERS) since 2014 and was Chair of the Rare DPLD/ILD Group. Francesco is involved in a range of patient advocacy initiatives and chaired the Scientific Advisory Board of the European Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis and Related Disorders Federation (EUIPPF) in 2013–2019. He has been an Executive Committee member of the World Association for Sarcoidosis and Other Granulomatous Disorders (WASOG) since 2016.

Francesco is the recipient of several honours and awards, including the Sarcoidosis Research Prize presented by the German Sarcoidosis Association. He is a member of the editorial boards of the *European Respiratory Journal* and *Chest*, and is Associate Editor of *Respirology*.

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Daniel completed his undergraduate studies at The Ohio State University (Columbus, OH, USA) and received his medical degree from the Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine at Ohio University (Athens, OH, USA). After completing post-graduate training in the Cleveland Clinic Health System, he joined the Departments of Pulmonary and Critical Care in the Respiratory Institute, as well as Inflammation and Immunity in the Lerner Research Institute.

#### Dominique Israël-Biet



Dominique Israël-Biet is Professor Emeritus of pulmonary medicine of the Université de Paris (Paris, France).

Dominique graduated from the Faculté de Médecine Cochin-Port Royal, Université Paris V René Descartes (Paris), and obtained a PhD in Immunology at the Institut Pasteur (Paris).

She was trained in pulmonary medicine under the guidance of Professor Jacques Chrétien. As Associate Professor of Clinical Immunology then Professor of Pulmonary Medicine, she worked in the Department of Lung Diseases at the University hospital Laënnec (Paris), which Professor Chrétien directed, and was responsible for both the clinical sector and the BAL laboratory. She then moved to the University Georges Pompidou hospital (Paris), and became the Head of the Center for Rare Pulmonary Diseases.

Dominique's research interests mainly focus on sarcoidosis and ILDs and she has actively participated as an investigator in clinical trials in these fields.

Dominique was a member of the ERS Task Force on Bronchoalveolar Lavage and the ERS Task Force on The Treatment of Sarcoidosis.

She is actively involved in WASOG. As an elected member of its Executive Committee since 2011, she co-organised the WASOG International Conference in Paris in 2013 with Professor Dominique Valeyre. She is currently the General Secretary of WASOG.

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