

CURRICULUM VITAE (12.5.2025)

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Education

Graduate from high school	1985, Raahen lukio
Licenciate of Medicine	1991, University of Oulu (UO)
MD, PhD	1993, UO
Specialist in neurology	2000, UO
Title of docent in neurology	2005, UO
Special Competence in medical education	2011, The Finnish Medical Association
Special Competence in memory disorders	2016, The Finnish Medical Association
Multiprofessional leadership education (30ECT)	University of Oulu
eMBA (90 ECT)	2022, Aalto-University
National Defence Course	2025, The Finnish Defence Forces, National Defence University
Certified Board Member	2025, Finland Chamber of Commerce

Linguistic skills: Finnish – native, English – working skills, Swedish – functional, Deutsch– basics

Current position

Vice-rector (research & sustainability)	University of Helsinki (UH)	1.8.2023-
Professor of neurology (off duty),	Faculty of Medicine, UH	1.10.2022-

Previous professional appointments

Researcher (several part-time and full-time positions)		
	Faculty of medical biochemistry, UO	1987-1993
Resident neurology	Oulu University Hospital (OUH)	1993-2000
Clinical lecturer	Dept of Neurology, UO	2001-29.2.2012
Physician (neurology), part time, Oulu University Hospital		2001-29.2.2012
Local chief of education (part-time) Finnish Medical Society		
	Duodecim	1.1.2010-29.2.2012
Professor of neurology	Department of Neurology, University of Eastern Finland (UEF)	1.3.2012-31.12.2016
Senior physician	Kuopio University Hospital	1.3.2012-31.12.2016
Deputy Head of the Institute of Clinical Medicine UEF		15.11.2014-31.12.2016
Research Director	MRC, OUH	2017-28.2.2018
Dean	Faculty of Medicine, UO	1.11.2017-31.12.2021

Professor of neurology	UO	1.1.2017- 31.12.2022
Senior physician of neurology (part-time), OUH		1.11.2017- 31.12.2022
Dean	Faculty of Medicine, UH	1.1.2022-31.7.2023
Senior physician (neurology), Helsinki University Hospital		1.3.2023-31.7.2023

Memberships and positions of trust

Current:

Finnish Drug Discovery Center Ltd: member of the board 2023-

Executive of the Joint Authority for Helsinki and Uusimaa of the Helsinki University Hospital (HUCH): member of the board 2023-

The League of European Research Universities (LERU)

Research Policy Group: member 2023-, chair 2024-

Sustainability Policy Group: member of steering group 2024-

UNA Europa

Research Strategy Group: member 2023-

The Council of Rectors of Finnish Universities (Unifi) Research vice-rectors strategy group, chair 2025-

Previous:

Clinical Research Institute of HUCH, Member of the board 2023-2025

The Alzheimer Society of Finland (Muistiliitto), Chair of the federal council 2021-2024

Biomedicum foundation, Chair of the Board 2022-2024

Scientific Board of Dementia, European Federation of Neurological Sciences 2006-2024

Member of the board, Helsinki University Hospital 1.1.2022-31.7.2023

Finnish Brain Council (Suomen Aivot ry), Board 2021-2023

The Finnish Alzheimer's Disease Research Society, Board 2000-2022, secretary 2001-2009, vice chair 2010-2017, Chair 2018-2022

The Finnish Medical Foundation (Suomen Lääketieteensäätiö), member of the board 2013-2019, Chair 2018-2019

Finnish Brain Foundation, member of the advisory board 2010-, Chair of the Committee of Grants (neurology) 2012- 2014

Finnish Neurological Association 2001-, Chair of Education Committee 2010-2017

Finnish Medical Society Duodecim, Delegation and electoral committee member 2004-12

Finnish Medical Society Duodecim, the Committee of Grants, member 2007-2009, Chair of the Committee 2008-2009

Medical Convention of Northern Finland, Board 2004-2012

Finnish MS-federation Rehabilitation unit, Board 2004-2008, Chair 2006-2008

Current Care Guidelines; Multiple Sclerosis 2010-2020, Chair 2013-2020

Finnish Medical Society Duodecim, Committee of Äyräpää Grant 2012-16, 2020-2022

Finnish national and governmental steered actions

National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health, neurology consultant, 2013-2017

Ministry of social and health affairs, member of the monitoring group of National Memory Programme 2012–2020, 2013-2015

The Biobank of Eastern Finland, member of the monitoring group 2013-2016
 The Biobank of Northern Finland Borealis, member of the steering group 2017-2021
 Member of the steering groups/boards of Finnish national Cancer Center (FICAN) and NeuroCenter Finland 2017-2021, and Biobank FINBB cooperative (debuty) 2017-2021, 2023-2024
 FinnGen- project, Member of the steering group 2017- 2018

Research activities

Leader of a research group (FinFTD, Finnish Frontotemporal dementia network) and Early onset dementia, University of Oulu (2002-2022) and UEF (2012-2016)
 International collaboration in GENFI and FRONTIERS networks.
 Participated in several international EU-funded research projects (PredictAD, PredictND, DARE@it)

Supervised Doctoral thesis 23 Helena Leppänen University of Arts 2006, Johanna Krüger UO 2010, Anna-Lotta Kaivorinne UO 2012, Hanna-Mari Pesonen UO 2015, Anna Junttila UEF 2015, Eino Solje UEF 2016, Riikka Rytty UO 2016, Olga Krökki UO 2016, Tiina Laiterä UEF 2017, Noora Suhonen UO 2017, Fanni Haapalinna UEF 2018, Kasper Katisko UEF 2018, Stina Leskelä UEF 2020, Antti Cajanus UEF 2020, Ilkka Rauma TUNI 2022, Laura Luukkainen UO 2023, Paula Widgren UO 2023, Marja Niiranen UEF 2024, Anna-Leena Heikkinen UO 2024, Timo Tuovinen UO 2024, Ville Korhonen UEF 2024, Helmi Soppela UEF 2024, Sami Heikkinen UEF 2025,

Clinical drug trials

Participation as investigator in several clinical drug trials (Multiple sclerosis, Alzheimer) 1999-2017

Main grants

EVO/VTR grants from Kuopio University Hospital 2012-2016	135 000€
EVO/VTR grants from Oulu University Hospital 2017-2022	210 000€
Academy of Finland 2018-2022	460 000€
Joint program of neurodegenerative diseases (JPND EU-finding) 2022-2024	75 000€

Teaching-related positions of trust

Special Competence in medical education (2011)
 The National Graduate School of Clinical Investigation (CLIGS), Board 2006-12, Chair 2010-12
 Finnish Neurological Association, member of Education Committee 2008-2012, Chair 2010-2012
 European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) (Representative of Finnish Neurological Association) 2010-2013

Honours

Lecturer of the year 2009 and 2012, Medical Guild, University of Oulu
 Finnish Medical Association, gold honour medal 2012
 Tuula Pirttilä award, Kuopio 2012
 The Alzheimer Society of Finland, silver honour medal 2019
 Laimi Leidenius Award, Finnish Medical Society Duodecim, 2025

Other academic merits

Official reviewer of PhD theses 12

Official reviewer of Docentur in Neurology 4

Official opponent of Dissertation 9

Grant reviews: Finnish Medical Foundation (2007-2009), Finnish Brain Foundation (2012-2014), Instrumentarium Foundation (2012-)

Professorship review; Wallenberg Center for Molecular and Translational Medicine at Gothenburg University (2016, 2017)

Editorial Board of ISRN Geriatrics 2012-, Frontiers in Neurology 2019-, JAD 2018-

Scientific referee in several journals 2005-

Organizer of international scientific conferences: Kuopio Alzheimer Symposium 2015, 2018, 2022; FinFTD Symposiums 2019, 2022 Kuopio, Finland

Scientific and societal impact of research

Google scholar H-index 49, Citations 15810. List of publications includes 189 international, 35 national, 7 review, 14 chapters in textbook, edited book 1.