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Cancer treatment in geriatric women-how to find the right balance?

Malignant diseases are increasing with age and people have an increasing life expectancy, therefore cancer treatment in the elderly (geriatric oncology) is a socio-medical matter with high relevance. Co-morbidities and impaired organ function have to be taken into consideration before choosing diagnostic and therapeutical options. Generally all surgical and pharmaceutical treatment modalities should be reflected for the elderly in order to realize an equivalent outcome compared to the younger patients. By presenting examples out of the gynecological oncology (breast cancer and genital cancer) it will be demonstrated how to come to the right adjustment of treatment for the elderly between “not too much” and “not too sparse”.

CV

Current Position:	Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology University Bonn Medical School, Bonn (Germany)
Academic Degree:	M.D., Full Professor
1965-1977	Elementary school and Highschool “Kaiser Friedrich Gymnasium” Heidelberg, Munich and Göttingen, Germany, School leaving exam and university entrance qualification
1978-1984	Study of medicine in Göttingen and Oldenburg with clinical work in Munich, Cologne and Berlin
1984	3 rd part of medical exam
1986	Experimental Thesis about the regulation of the pancreas and stomach secretion with special concern of the hormone cholecystokinin
1986	American Medical Examination (FMGEMS)
1985-1987	Laboratory doctor in the central institute of the German Armed Forces in Munich, specialisation in microbiology and clinical chemistry
1987-1991	Assistant Doctor at the “Frauenklinik rechts der Isar” of the Technical University München
Oktober 1991	Specialist in obstetrics and gynecology
1993-1998	Senior physican at the “Frauenklinik rechts der Isar” of the Technical University München

1995	Specialist in operative gynecology Assistant professor
1996-2001	Chairman of the oncology group "Malignant ovarian tumors" of the Munich Cancer Center
1998-2001	Leading Senior physician at the "Frauenklinik rechts der Isar" of the Technical University München, Germany
1998-2013	Member of the Ovarian Cancer Group of the German Society of Gynecology Oncology (AGO)
8/2001-2/2002	Leading Senior physician at the "Universitätsfrauenklinik Ulm" Germany
2/2002	Full Professor (C-4) and Chairman elect, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Bonn Medical School
since 2003	Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Bonn Medical School
2006	Specialist in Gynecologic Oncology
since 2008	Executive board member of the Comprehensive Cancer Center (CIO) Cologne/Bonn
2004-2012	Chairman of the Cancer Society of Bonn
since 2012	Co-President of the European Society of Gynaecology and Obstetrics (of French and German Language)
2013	Co-President of the Academic Conference of German speaking scientists in Gynaecology and Obstetrics, Cologne-Bonn
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