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EDUCATION

- 2008- **University of California, San Francisco Division of Geriatrics**
Clinical Geriatrics Fellow
- 2003-2008 **Emory University School of Medicine; Atlanta, GA**
Internal Medicine Residency: Expected completion: July 2006
- 1998-2002 **University of Essen School of Medicine; Essen, Germany**
Doctor of Medicine
- 04-12/2002 **Clinical rotation in the "Hospital Civil de Guadalajara", Mexico**
OB/GYN and surgery
- 1999-2000 **Fourth year of medical school at the University Miguel Hernandez in Alicante, Spain**
Doctor of Medicine
- 1996-1998 **Premedical education at the University of Bochum, Germany**

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2006 Resident Award by Southeast Center of Excellence In Geriatric Medicine.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2004-2005 **Assistant doctor in the Department for Acute Geriatrics at the Regional Hospital of Orleans (Centre Hospitalier Régional d'Orléans), France**
- 2003-2004 **Trainee doctor in the Department of Cardiology at the General Hospital of Wissembourg (Centre Hospitalier Général de Wissembourg), France**

RESEARCH

2001 **Vasoconstriction mediated by noradrenaline and sphingosylphosphorylcholine.**

University of Essen School of Medicine, Laboratory for Nephrology and Hypertension; Essen, Germany.

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PUBLICATIONS

C. Altmann, V. Steenpass, P. Czyborra, P. Hein, M. C. Michel.
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PRESENTATIONS

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