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EDUCATION

University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland

2006 - 10

Ph.D. in Law (Awarded: June 2010)

Thesis: *Le don d'organes entre gratuité et modèles de récompense: quels instruments étatiques face à la pénurie d'organes?*

Translation: *Organ donation between the prohibition of organ sales and a system of rewarded gifting: what kind of state incentives in the context of organ scarcity?*

Advisor: Prof. C. Müller

Magna Cum Laude.

University of Cambridge, UK

2005 - 06

LL.M.

University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland

2001 - 05

Licence en Droit (First Degree in Law)

Magna Cum Laude.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland

2020 - present: Assistant professor (tenure-track) at the Faculty of Law

Tel Aviv University, Israel

2018 - 2023: Adjunct lecturer at the Buchmann Faculty of Law

Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel

2017 - 2021: Adjunct lecturer at the Feinberg Graduate School

Tel Aviv University, Israel

2013 - 2016: Postdoc at the Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics

Advisor: Prof. A. Gross

AWARDS

Swiss National Science Foundation,
Eccellenza professorial fellowship
2020

“Nexans” Prize, Young scholars’ award,
Switzerland
2017

US Law and Society Association,
Travel award
2016

Swiss National Science Foundation,
Postdoc mobility fellowship
2013

“Paul-René Rosset” Prize (University),
Best Ph.D. thesis in law
2012

“Professor Walther Hug” Prize
(National), Best Ph.D. thesis in law
2011

Swiss National Science Foundation,
Fellowship for prospective researchers
2008

LANGUAGES

German: Native proficiency
French: Bilingual proficiency
English: Bilingual proficiency
Hebrew: Good knowledge

University of California, Santa Barbara, USA

2015: Visiting scholar in Global & International Studies

Advisor: Prof. E. Darian-Smith

McGill University, Canada

2011 - 2012: Postdoc at the Faculty of Law

Advisors: Prof. A. Campbell and L. Khoury

RESEARCH FUNDING

Agency	Years	Amount	Title
European Parliament Research Service	2022	€ 6k	Le droit à la santé, une perspective de droit comparé - Suisse
Swiss National Science Foundation	2020-25	CHF 1,9M (~ \$ 2M)	The Increasing Weight of Regulation: The Role(s) of Law as a Public Health Tool in the Prevention State
The Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Tel Aviv University	2013-14	\$ 25k (declined)	Between individual rights and collective interests: what access to healthcare in a sustainable healthcare system?
Swiss National Science Foundation	2013-16	CHF 94k (~ \$ 100k)	Entre droits individuels et intérêts collectifs: Quel accès aux soins dans un système de santé durable?
Cegla Center for Interdisciplinary Research of the Law, Tel Aviv University	2012-13	\$ 3k	A public policy based on incentives to address the organ shortage: theoretical underpinnings and ethico-legal implications
Swiss National Science Foundation	2008-09	CHF 38k (~ \$ 40k)	Le principe de la gratuité du don et l'interdiction du commerce en matière de transplantation d'organes d'origine humaine

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

Durabilité et santé, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland (national conference, co-organizer) 2024.

Nouvelles technologies dans la santé : entre innovations et sécurité des patient-es, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland (national conference, co-organizer) 2023.

Health Data and Health Data Spaces: Actors, Narratives, and Surveillance, Workshop, Universities of Neuchâtel and Lausanne, Switzerland (international conference, co-organizer) 2023.

Familles et professions de la santé: de la naissance à la mort, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland (national conference, co-organizer) 2022.

Le droit de la santé à l'épreuve d'une pandémie, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland (international conference, co-organizer) 2021.

Quelle médecine, à quel prix et pour qui? L'Etat de droit au carrefour des logiques scientifique, économique et sociale, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland (national conference, co-organizer) 2017.

Re-conceptualizing families? Interdisciplinary and comparative perspectives on assisted reproductive technologies as a vehicle between tradition and modernity, Tel Aviv University, Israel (international conference, co-organizer) 2016.

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES

Women's access to healthcare, Master of Advanced Studies in Health Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2023 - present

Equity & Non-discrimination in health, Master of Advanced Studies in Health Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2023 - present

Law & Infectious disease control, Master of Advanced Studies in Health Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2022 - present

Law & Public health: 101, Swiss School of Public Health, 2021- present

Public health law, Faculty of Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2021 - present

Pharmaceutical law, Faculty of Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2021 - present

Right to health, Master of Advanced Studies in Health Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2020 - present

Health and human rights, Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University, 2018 - 2023

Research integrity and ethics, Weizmann Institute of Science, 2017 - 2021

Negotiation basics and case simulation inspired by the Harvard Negotiation Project, Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University, 2020, 2019, 2018

"Mock trial" judge, Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, Israel 2018, 2019; Canada 2012

Patients' rights, Master of Advanced Studies in Health Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2013, 2011, 2010

Organ donation: legal and ethical aspects, McGill University, 2012

Legislative methods, types of conflict resolution and judicial proceedings, Faculty of Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007

Case studies in contract law, Faculty of Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2008, 2007

Contract negotiation: "Program on Negotiation at Harvard Law School", Faculty of Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2007

Simulation of a "Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot", Faculty of Law, University of Neuchâtel, 2006

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2024 -present Member, National Advisory Commission on Biomedical Ethics, Switzerland
- 2022 - present Expert contributor for *Bulletin des médecins suisses*, Switzerland
- 2022 - present Co-Convener, Ph.D. Program *Health, Medicine, and Society*, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland
- 2021 - present Foundation Board Member, Swiss School of Public Health, Switzerland
- 2021 - present Co-director, Health Law Institute, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland
- 2021 - present Member, Ethics committee of Swiss Transplant, Switzerland's organ procurement organization
- 2020 - present SSPH+ Faculty member (Swiss School of Public Health), Switzerland
- 2008 - 12 Observer position, Ethics committee of Quebec-Transplant, Organ procurement organization in the province of Quebec, Canada
- 2002 - 05 Parliament member and member of the parliamentary naturalization committee, Municipality of Köniz, Switzerland (a municipality with over 40,000 inhabitants)
- 1999 - 2000 Parliament member, Youth parliament of the municipality of Köniz, Switzerland