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Professor Dr Diamant Thaçi graduated in 1989 with a medical degree from the University of Pristina, Kosovo, and remained in Pristina until 1992, specialising in dermatology and venerology, before taking up a post in the Department of Dermatology and Venerology at Johann Wolfgang Goethe University in Frankfurt, Germany. After the residency he become a board certified dermatologist and venereologist in 1995 and from 1997, Dr Thaçi has held the roles of Senior Consulting Specialist in Dermatology, Director of Clinical Research, Head of Photodermatology division. He was Associate Professor of Dermatology, Venereology and Allergology at the Goethe University in Frankfurt/Main Germany and since 2013 full Professor and Head of interdisciplinary comprehensive center for chronic inflammatory diseases.

Dr Thaçi's research experience covers work in immunology laboratory and also all stages of clinical drug development from Phase I *in vitro* studies to Phase IV post-marketing studies. He has been involved in numerous investigator-driven trials, and acted as main investigator on several national and international multicentre trials. Between 2002 and 2013 these included over 200 studies in psoriasis. In addition to his clinical commitments, Dr Thaçi also lectures on

scoring systems in dermatology and is involved in the training of study personnel and publishing numerous articles and book chapters in dermatology. Dr Thaçi has been a recipient of the Theodor-Stern Foundation Award for excellent clinical research. He is an active member of GRAPPA (Group for Research and Assessment of Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis) as well as member of IPC (International Psoriasis Council).

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