

Biosketch

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CURRENT AND PAST POSITIONS

Prof. Simone P. Niclou is the Vice-Rector for Research at the University of Luxembourg, where she leads the University's research strategy, research support, doctoral education, interdisciplinary research, and the strategic development of medicine and health. Previously, she was Director of the Department of Cancer Research at the Luxembourg Institute of Health (LIH), after leading a neuro-oncology research group at LIH since 2005. She also served as President of the Laboratoire National de Santé (2015-2019) and supervised the research agenda of Luxembourg's National Cancer Plan. Since 2014, she has been Adjunct Professor at the University of Bergen, Norway.

EDUCATION

Biology, University of Fribourg, Switzerland.

PhD in Cellular Biology, Friedrich Miescher Institute and University of Basel, Switzerland.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Neuroscience, University of Pennsylvania, USA.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Netherlands Institute of Neuroscience, Amsterdam, Netherlands.

AWARDS AND HONORS

FNR Best Publication Award (2007).

EANO Best Oral Presentation Award (2014).

FNR Award for Outstanding Scientific Achievements (2021).

Recipient of multiple competitive research grants, including two multi-institutional doctoral training units in cancer biology.

OTHER RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Prof. Niclou is an internationally recognized expert in neuro-oncology, with research focusing on the molecular heterogeneity, plasticity, and metabolism of malignant gliomas. She has authored more than 130 scientific publications, accumulating over 18,000 citations. She has served on the Executive Board and Educational Committee of the European Association for Neuro-Oncology (EANO), participated in the EORTC Brain Tumor Group and the ESMO Faculty on CNS Tumors, and held editorial roles for Neuro-Oncology and Neuro-Oncology Advances. She regularly serves on international evaluation committees and grant review panels and currently represents the University of Luxembourg within the European University Association (EUA) and The Guild of European Research-Intensive Universities.