

ACR Master for Gerd-Rüdiger Burmester

The award ceremony took place at opening night of the ACR annual meeting on Saturday, 9 November 2019 in Atlanta, Georgia. ACR President Paula Marchetta presented the award to Professor Burmester in front of over 2,000 individuals from across the international rheumatology community.

Each year, the ACR recognises its members' outstanding contributions to the field of rheumatology through an awards programme: Recognition as a Master of the American College of Rheumatology is one of the highest honours that ACR bestows. The designation of Master is conferred on ACR members who have made outstanding contributions to the ACR itself and to the field of rheumatology through scholarly achievement and/or service to their patients, students, and profession.

Professor Burmester was President of EULAR between 2015 and 2017 and is currently the EULAR International Liaison Officer, leading advocacy efforts for rheumatology in Europe. Director of the Department of Rheumatology and Clinical Immunology at the Charité hospital in Berlin, Germany, he serves on several editorial boards, including the Journal of Rheumatology and Clinical Rheumatology. He is also the Associate Editor of the EULAR Journal, the Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases. Professor Burmester was previously President of the German Society for Rheumatology and is currently the President of the Board of Trustees of FOREUM, Foundation for Research in Rheumatology.

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