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Academic Appointments

Professor of Paediatric Epilepsy & Consultant in Paediatric Neurology, King's Health Partners 2009 -
Research Scientist and Assoc Research Scientist, Columbia University Medical Center 2003 - 2009

Education And Qualifications

Postdoctoral Fellow in Statistical Genetics Columbia University, New York 2000-2003
Neurosciences (PhD), University College London, UK 1995-1998
Epidemiology (MSc), London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK 1994-1995
Membership of the UK Royal College of Physicians (MRCP Paediatrics) 1991
Doctor of Medicine (MB BChir), Cambridge University, UK 1985-1988
Natural Sciences (BA Honours), Corpus Christi College, Cambridge University, UK 1982-1985

Active Grant Support

European Research Commission, €14,000,000, Mechanisms of Epileptogenesis (Co-I) 2013-2018
Psychiatry Research Trust, £126,000, Clinical Research Training Fellowship (Supervisor) 2013-2015
Waterloo Foundation, £305,000, Programme on Idiopathic Focal Epilepsy (PI) 2013-2015
Medical Research Council, £2,043,889, Brain Networks in Epilepsy: (Co-I) 2013-2017
Medical Research Council, £251,485, Clinical Research Training Fellowship (Supervisor) 2013-2015
Biomedical Research Centre for Mental Health, £1,402,802, Biomarkers and Genomics (Co-I) 2012-2017

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