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I am a Consultant Rheumatologist at University Hospitals of Coventry & Warwickshire and an Honorary Clinical Lecturer at Warwick Medical School. I graduated from Nottingham University Medical School in 1999 and trained in Rheumatology in South London. I was a Clinical Lecturer at King's College London, then appointed Consultant Rheumatologist at King's College Hospital in 2012, before moving to UHCW in 2017.

I became interested in research as a Rheumatology Registrar in London, initially focussing on outcomes of treat to target for Rheumatoid Arthritis in routine practice. My PhD focussed on Immunopathological correlates of MRI and Power Doppler Ultrasound in Inflammatory Arthritis. On moving to Coventry, I became the Trust representative in the Arthritis Therapy Acceleration Programme; a collaboration between the Universities of Oxford and Birmingham and UHCW, which aims to drive cutting edge research across disciplines in inflammatory diseases. I have also co-created investigator led projects investigating comorbidities in inflammatory arthritis, and am part of the Neuromuscular Group of the Cochrane Collaboration. I run a specialist clinic for patients with Psoriatic Arthritis and much of my current research is investigating outcomes, comorbidities, imaging and treatment strategies for Psoriatic Arthritis.

My research journey has given me new skills in not just the laboratory, ultrasound and statistical analysis, but also project management and collaboration with wider teams. Involvement in multiple clinical trials has allowed patients to access novel therapies or treatment strategies years before they would otherwise reach the clinic. I also enjoy supervising students and colleagues through their own research projects.

