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Research/Clinical Interest:

Conservative and surgical treatment of congenital and acquired chest wall deformities.

Frank-Martin Haecker, MD, FEAPU, is a German and Swiss Board Certified Pediatric surgeon, who specializes in the conservative and surgical treatment of chest wall deformities as well as in Pediatric urology. He is a Professor of Pediatric Surgery at the University of Basel (Switzerland).

He received his medical degree at the University of Tuebingen (Germany) after receiving bachelor degrees in musicology at the University of Freiburg (Germany). Dr. Haecker served as a junior staff member at the Department of Pediatric Surgery at the University Hospital of Tuebingen and at the Department of General Surgery at the Hospital of Baden-Baden (Germany). In 2000, Dr. Haecker became Attending Surgeon at the Department of Pediatric Surgery at the University Children's Hospital of Basel (UKBB, Switzerland). In 2005, he started with a specialised outpatient clinic for Pediatric urology. Furthermore, in 2007 Dr. Haecker started a specialized outpatient clinic for chest wall deformities. Under his leadership, the pectus program at his previous positions in Basel as well as in St. Gallen (both Switzerland) could be established as a



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center of excellence for chest wall diseases, mentoring the world's largest series of pectus excavatum patients treated conservatively using the vacuum bell. From October 2018 to December 2020, Prof. Haecker served as consultant pediatric surgeon at American Hospital Dubai, where he started with a new pectus program in UAE.

In 2008 Dr. Haecker became an Assistant Professor of Pediatric Surgery at the University of Basel (Switzerland). In the same year, he was graduated as Fellow of the European Association of Pediatric Urology (FEAPU). Since 2014 he is Professor of Pediatric Surgery.

From 2014 to 2016, he was senior consultant with focus on chest wall deformities at the Department of Pediatric Surgery at the University Hospital of Freiburg (Germany). Furthermore, he served as a senior consultant at the department of thoracic surgery at the hospital of Aarau (Switzerland) as well as a senior consultant at the Department of Pediatric Surgery in Loerrach/Germany.

Professor Haecker is a member of several national and international professional societies (Swiss and German society of Pediatric surgery, German society of general surgery, ESPU, EUPSA, IPEG, UAE Pediatric Surgery Group). He is a founding member of the CWIG (Chest Wall International Group), member of the executive committee, CWIG president from 2018 to 2021 and currently past-president of CWIG.

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