



BART MORLION

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SUMMARY

- Bart Jan Morlion, born in Lommel, Belgium October 9th, 1963
- 1988: MD Doctor in de genees-, heel en verloskunde Katholieke Universiteit Leuven cum laude
- 1988-1993: Training Anaesthesiology, Intensive Care and Pain Management, Klinik für Anästhesiologie, operative Intensivmedizin und Schmerzmedizin, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany (Chairman: Prof. Dr. C. Puchstein)
- 1989: ECFMG Accreditation: US Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates
- 1994: DEAA Diplomate of the European Academy of Anaesthesiology
- 1993-1998: Staff member Klinik für Anästhesiologie und operative Intensivmedizin, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany
- 1992-1998: Clinical research: Immunomodulatory effects of parenteral lipids; Immunonutrition in intensive care; Clinical use opioids in non-cancer pain and postoperative pain
- 1995- 1998: Head of the clinical research unit of the department: „Leiter des Wissenschaftlichen Labors der Klinik“
- 1998-1999: Appointed Staff Member Department of Anaesthesiology (Adjunct-Kliniekhoofd) University Hospitals Leuven
- 1999-present: Director of the Multidisciplinary Pain Centre (MPC), now The Leuven Centre for Algology (Leuvens Algologisch Centrum), UZ Leuven
- 2000-present: teaching pain management Medical School KU Leuven
- 2005: Appointed as “Kliniekhoofd” (Senior Clinical Staff) University Hospitals Leuven
- 2004-present: Program Director of the Postgraduate Interuniversity Course Algology
- Member of several scientific organisations: IASP, BPS, APS, DGSS, BVAR,
- 2006-2012: President of the Belgian Pain Society (Belgian Chapter of the International Association of the Study of Pain)

- 2011-10-11: KU Leuven: Doctoral thesis in Biomedical Sciences entitled: Strategies to optimize the pharmacological management of chronic pain.
- 2012-2017: assistant professor KU Leuven
- 2017-2025: associate professor KU Leuven
- 2025-now; professor KU Leuven
- 2014- May 2017: Honorary Associate Professor, University of Groningen, The Netherlands
- 2017: European Diploma in Pain Medicine (EDPM)
- September 2017-2020 President of the European Pain Federation EFIC

CLINICAL RESEARCH

- Principal investigator in 31 national and international multicentre clinical trials (Phase II, III and IV) according to the principles of Good Clinical Practice (GCP) and the International Conference of Helsinki (ICH).
- GCP Certification: ICH-GCP E6(R2) Course completed with a score of 100% on 28/05/2025

TEACHING

- KU Leuven Medical School
 - 2000-present: Capita Selecta Master medicine (KU Leuven): Pain Management
 - 2011-present: Master Medicine (KU Leuven): Chronic Pain Management
 - 2011-present: Master Medicine (KU Leuven): Acute Pain Management
 - 2011-present: Master Dentistry (KU Leuven): Neurobiology of Orofacial Pain
 - 2014-present: Bachelor Medicine (KULAK) Pharmacology
 - 2016-present: Bachelor Medicine (KULAK and KU Leuven): Scientific methodology / Critical Appraisal of the Medical Literature / Evidence Based Medicine
 - 2001-present: Postgraduate teaching Anaesthesiology
 - 2014-present: Keuzevak Anesthesiologie (KU Leuven)
 - 2004-2014: Interuniversity Course in Algology
 - 2014-present: Program Director Postgraduate Studies in Algology/Pain Management (all Belgian medical faculties)
- 2007-present: International Nursing Course at the University College Leuven Limburg
- 2004-present: Teaching tenures in 4 University Colleges (KHBO Brugge; Katho Aalst; Katho, Gent; PHL, Hasselt)

- 2009-present: Lecturer in international Pain Schools, Virtual Summits and Refresher courses of the European Pain Federation EFIC
- Since 1992: over 550 national and international invited lectures

ORGANIZATION AND CHAIRING OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

- Chairman of the organizing committee of 6 annual meetings of the Belgian Pain Society (from 2006-2012)
- Chair of the organizing committee of the Interuniversity Course in Algology (6 editions)
- Co-chair of the Scientific Meeting of the Belgian Brain Council 2010
- Member of the organizing committee of 5 International Winter Symposia of the department of Anaesthesiology at the University Hospitals Leuven
- Organizer of 3 hands-on-workshops in interventional pain management
- Organizing and Scientific Committee “Pain in Europe”, September 6-9 Copenhagen, Denmark
- Organizing and Scientific Committee “Pain in Europe”, September 2019, Valencia, Spain
- Co-chair Virtual Summit on Pain Education of the European Pain Academy, November 2020 and 2021
- Co-Chair of the organizing committee of the Cancer Pain School of the European Pain Federation EFIC, Liverpool, UK, 4-7 October 2022
- Organization Committee, Refresher Courses for Physicians, 13th Congress of the European Pain Federation EFIC, 20-22 September 2023, Budapest, Hungary
- Chair, Global Pain Faculty, London, UK 23-24 November 2023
- Chair Masterclass Neuropathic Pain, 15 November 2023, Brussels

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2006-2014: Councillor of the European Federation of IASP Chapters (EFIC) representing Belgium
- 2009-2015: Chair of the Website committee of EFIC
- 2010-2016: Member of the Membership committee of the International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP)
- 2012-2018: Member of the Education committee of the International Association for the Study of Pain
- 2011-present: Member of the editorial committee “Nederlands Tijdschrift voor Pijnbestrijding”

- 2014- 2017: President-elect of the European Pain Federation EFIC European Pain Federation EFIC
- 2017-2020: President of the European Pain Federation EFIC
- 2020- 2021: Member of the executive board as immediate past president of the European Pain Federation EFIC
- 2013-2015: Section-Editor European Journal of Pain
- 2016-Sept 2020: Deputy Editor European Journal of Pain
- Peer reviewing: European Journal of Pain; Expert Opinion in Pharmacotherapy; Pain; Pain Management; Pain Practice; Journal of Orofacial Pain; Neuromodulation; Current Medical Research & Opinion; Diabetologia; Pharmacology, Biochemistry and Behavior; European Journal of Paediatric Neurology; Health Policy; J. Nursing Studies; Tijdschrift voor Geneeskunde; Nederlands Tijdschrift voor Pijnbestrijding

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

• SUPERVISOR PHD

- PhD Eline Coppens MSc: The role of early childhood adversities in fibromyalgia: a multilevel approach
- PhD Linde Buntinx, MSc: Target engagement biomarkers for TRP channels
- PhD Project Eline Van der Gucht, MSc: Pain Education in cancer patients after breast surgery.
- PhD Project: Vincent Haenen, MPT, Persistent pain in cancer survivors: how to assess in a clinical practice.

• ASSESSOR AND JURY MEMBER PHD

- 2011 Dr. Pascal Habre, Leuven, Belgium
- 2009 Dr. Bart Vanderschueren, Leuven, Belgium
- 2013 Dr. N.H.L. Chua, Nijmegen, The Netherlands
- 2013 Dr. Maarten Moens, "Functional neuroimaging in patients with failed back surgery syndrome treated with spinal cord stimulation. Free University Brussels, Belgium
- 2017 Mathias Desmedt, "Quality improvement of regional anesthesia" KULAK, Belgium
- 2018 Anneleen Malfliet, "The neuroscience approach to chronic spinal pain" Free University of Brussels, Belgium
- 2018 Dr. Marlies Den Hollander "Expose or Protect? Acquisition and extinction of fear of movement-related pain in CRPS", University of Maastricht, The Netherlands
- 2023 Dorien Bamps: Target engagement biomarkers to bridge the translational gap haunting TRP channels

- 2024 Dr Stijn Keyaerts: Empowering employees with pain through mobile health
- 2025 Daan Remans: Neuromodulation for central post stroke pain and new approaches for treating brain lesions.
- 2025 Aurelia Scampi: Investigating the relationship between central sensitization and non-nociceptive processing
- 2025 Amber De Groote University of Antwerp: Exploring biomarkers for (persistent) pain following breast cancer treatment.

• INTERNAL ASSESSOR PHD

- 2011 Dr. Livia Dos Santos Corpas, KU Leuven, Belgium
- 2017 Phillippe De Vloo, KU Leuven, Belgium
- 2020 Jolien Hendrix: Stress intolerance in patients with chronic widespread pain: are epigenetic mechanisms the answer to this mystery?
- 2020 Stijn Keyaerts: Pain in the Working Population: Focus on Pain-related Cognitions and Impact of Absenteeism, Promotor Prof. L. Goderis
- 2020 Dorien Bamps Target Engagement Biomarkers to Bridge the Translational Gap Haunting TRP Channels” Prof. Jan De Hoon
- 2020 Steve Coppens Veilige modaliteiten in de anesthesie voor snel herstel in preoperatieve periode Promotor Prof. Steffen Rex
- 2021 Heleen Marynissen: Transient Receptor Potential (TRP) Channels in Chemotherapy-Induced Peripheral Neuropathy (CIPN) Translational research from bench to bedside Promotor Prof. Jan De Hoon

• SUPERVISOR MASTER THESIS OF OVER 46 CANDIDATES BETWEEN 2010-NOW

• ASSESSOR OF OVER 68 MASTER THESES IN MEDICINE, BIOMEDICINE, CLINICAL PHARMACY, HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT

ACADEMIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

Online link to the publication list: <http://lirias.kuleuven.be/cv?Username=U0044030>

BOOKS FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC

- Morlion, B., Janssen, K. (contr.) (2012). *Wanneer de pijn blijft*. Leuven: Acco. ISBN: 978 90 334 8657 9.
- Morlion B. (2020) *PIJN Beter leven met pijn*. Lannoo, Tielt ISBN: 978 94 014 58160
- Morlion B. (2025) *Grip op je pijn*. Lannoo, Tielt ISBN: 978 90 209 88468

PRESS COMMUNICATIONS

- 52 interviews and 8 extensive coverages on television and radio on the topic of pain and pain management: VRT Journaal; VTM-Nieuws; VRT Koppen; VTM Telefacts; VRT Hoezo?; Ook getest op mensen VRT; Horizon VRT, VRT Radio 1: Nieuwe Feiten, VRT Radio 1: Weet ik veel?; VRT Radio 2: De Madammen; VRT Radio 2 Wijs; ORFI-radio (Austria); Danish National Television; Vier Topdokters; Arte: VOX POP; RTL 4 (NL) Topdokters, VRT Pano
- Since 2000: more than 76 interviews in the public press, newspapers and magazines including De Standaard, De Morgen; Het Nieuwsblad; Het Laatste Nieuws; Le Soir; La Dernière Heure; La Libre Belgique; Knack; Weekend Knack; Libelle; Goed Gevoel; Plus Magazine; Artsenkrant; Knack Bodytalk; Metro; Reader's Digest Int.; The Guardian UK, De Tijd, Campuskrant, Paris Match (B), El Pais, Spain, Nursing (NL)