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Promotion of Zhihong Yang to Full Professor at the University of Fribourg, Switzerland



Zhihong Yang, Chair of Integrative Physiology at the Department of Medicine, University of Fribourg

Zhihong Yang studied medicine at Wuhan Tongji Medical University in China. From 1987 to 1992, he was a postgraduate fellow in vascular research at the University of Basel in the Centre for Education and Research. He then moved with Thomas F. Lüscher, MD, to the University of Berne and was research associate in a research division of the Department of Cardiology from 1993 to 1996. In 1997 he moved to the Institute of Physiology as research group leader in cardiovascular research, a division of the Department of Cardiology at the University Hospital in Zurich under the directorship of Thomas Lüscher. He became lecturer (Privatdozent) at the Medical Faculty of the University of Zurich in 2000.

His work mainly focused on the role of endothelial mediators, in particular nitric oxide, in human blood vessels, bypass graft disease and other cardiovascular diseases. Dr Yang has published widely and is frequently cited in the scientific literature. On the basis of his accomplishments, he was nominated as Associate Professor at the Institute of Physiology of the University of Fribourg, Switzerland in June 2000. In November 2016 he was promoted to Full Professor and Chair of Integrative Physiology at the Department of Medicine, University of Fribourg.

Dr Yang remains highly productive in science and has recently extensively investigated the

role of the arginase-II gene in ageing, cardiovascular diseases, and metabolic diseases such as insulin resistance, chronic renal diseases and liver diseases associated with diet-induced obesity and with ageing.

The editorial team of “Cardiovascular Medicine” congratulates Dr Zhihong Yang on his promotion.

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