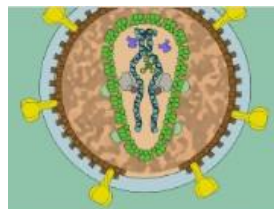


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Arnaud Didierlaurent is an immunologist, initially trained as an engineer in Biotechnology and with a PhD in cellular immunology from the University of Lausanne in 2003 (Jean-Pierre Kraehenbuhl). Arnaud specialized in innate immunity in the lab of Jürg Tschopp in Lausanne and at the Imperial College, London, where he worked as postdoctoral fellow from 2004 to 2007 on the long-term impact of viral infection on the lungs. He was also a research fellow in Ralph Steinman's lab at the Rockefeller University in New York. Arnaud then joined the R&D department of GlaxoSmithKline in 2008 in Belgium, where he held several leading positions in vaccine research and development. Initially head of a lab investigating the mode of action of adjuvant, Arnaud became in charge of the GSK Adjuvant System portfolio and thus directly involved in the licensure of several adjuvanted vaccines.



Arnaud's scientific contributions have consequently been focused on deciphering the interplay between innate immunity and pathogen/vaccine-specific adaptive response. With his experience in both academic and industrial settings, Arnaud has acquired a deep understanding of how vaccines are created, developed and deployed. He joined the University of Geneva in March 2020 to continue his work on translational vaccine research. He is acting since 2021 as the chairman of the WHO Technical Advisory Group who provides recommendations for the Emergency Use listing of COVID-19 vaccine candidates. Since February 2023, he is an associate professor and the co-director of the Center of Vaccinology at the Faculty of Medicine.