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BIO

Dr. Pulli is a dual fellowship trained diagnostic and interventional neuroradiologist with a focus on vascular disorders of the brain, head, neck, and spine. He is a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Radiology, Neuroradiology Division.

Having grown up in Austria, Dr. Pulli moved to the US after completing medical school in Innsbruck, Austria. He completed post-doctoral research training in stroke imaging in the Division of Neuroradiology at the Massachusetts General Hospital, as well as in experimental molecular imaging techniques of neuroinflammatory disorders at the Center for Systems Biology of Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School.

He completed residency training in Radiology and fellowship training in Diagnostic Neuroradiology at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. He then completed a second fellowship in interventional neuroradiology/neurointerventional surgery at Stanford University School of Medicine.

After having graduated from fellowship, Dr. Pulli then spent more than a year practicing Interventional Neuroradiology at Pacific Neuroscience Institute in Los Angeles. He employs state-of-the-art minimally invasive endovascular and percutaneous surgical techniques to treat patients with brain aneurysms, arteriovenous malformations, dural arteriovenous fistulas, carotid artery stenosis, acute stroke, chronic subdural hematoma, idiopathic intracranial hypertension, vascular tumors, and chronic back pain.

His research focuses on advanced imaging techniques for acute ischemic stroke and other neurovascular diseases. He has authored more than 40 peer-reviewed publications and received scientific grants from institutions such as the Radiological Society of North America and the Ernst Schering Foundation. In addition, he has made invited presentations to his peers at meetings of organizations such as the American Society of Neuroradiology, Radiological Society of North American, European Congress of Radiology, and Western Neuroradiological Society.

He is a member of the Society of Neurointerventional Surgery.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Neurointerventional Surgery
- Interventional Neuroradiology
- Aneurysm, Brain
- Intracranial Arteriovenous Malformations
- Dural Arteriovenous Fistula
- Carotid Stenosis
- Acute Stroke
- Thrombectomy
- Embolization, Therapeutic
- Intracranial Atheroscleroses
- Hypertension, Idiopathic Intracranial
- Chronic Subdural Hematoma
- Neuroradiology

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Clinical Assistant Professor, Radiology
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PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Fellowship, Stanford University Interventional Neuroradiology Fellowship , CA (2021)
- Board Certification: Diagnostic Radiology, American Board of Radiology (2019)
- Fellowship: Massachusetts General Hospital Neuroradiology Fellowship (2019) MA
- Residency: Massachusetts General Hospital Radiology Residency (2018) MA
- Internship: MetroWest Medical Center Transitional Year (2014) MA
- Medical Education: Medical University Innsbruck (2009) Austria

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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- **Intraoperative Neuromonitoring for Cerebral Arteriovenous Malformation Embolization: A Propensity-Score Matched Retrospective Database Study.** *Cureus*
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