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Deepak Balak (born 1985) is a dermatologist with a drive to help advance and improve the quality of care for patients with a chronic immune-mediated inflammatory skin disease.

In 2010, he obtained his Doctor of Medicine (MD) and a Master of Sciences in Biomedical Sciences (MSc) at Leiden University in Leiden, the Netherlands. At Erasmus University in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, he completed both a dermatology residency training (2017) and a PhD-thesis on clinical drug development in psoriasis (2018). In 2019, he was a fellow of the International Psoriasis Council (IPC) with Professor Alice Gottlieb at the Mount Sinai Hospital in New York, USA.

Deepak currently works at the Department of Dermatology of the Leiden University Medical Center in Leiden, the Netherlands, combining clinical dermatology with teaching responsibilities and research activities. His clinical interests include patient-centered care and holistic management of psoriasis and atopic dermatitis. His scientific focus is centered on clinical drug development and translational medicine in chronic immune-mediated inflammatory skin diseases. He works closely with both patient and professional (inter)-national associations, and actively contributes to dermatology teaching by speaking and chairing at educational meetings.

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