



Figure S1. Perceived prioritization of men and women employees stratified by the proportion of women and men in top positions.

Question 1

What is the numerical ratio of women to men in your rheumatology workplace?

(Please answer only those levels for which you are able to give an answer).

At the level of physicians in further training and comparable positions (in clinics or branches)

- more men than women
- balanced
- more women than men

At the level of specialists, senior physicians, physicians in private practice or comparable positions (in hospitals or private practice)

- more men than women
- balanced

- more women than men

At the level of chief physician, head of medical department or comparable positions (hospital only)

- more men than women
- balanced
- more women than men

Question 2

Are there any employees in your direct medical work environment who work part-time?

- No
- Yes, only women
- Yes, more women than men
- Yes, equal number of women and men
- Yes, more men than women
- Yes, only men
- I don't know/can't judge

Question 3

In your rheumatology workplace, do you experience that men are given preference over women for equal performance with regard to...?

Advancement opportunities

- Men are not preferred at all
- Men are preferred rather little
- Men tend to be preferred more
- Men are strongly preferred
- I don't know/can't judge

Staffing of positions

- Men are not preferred at all
- Men are preferred rather little
- Men are preferred more
- Men are strongly preferred
- I don't know/can't judge

Salary

- Men are not preferred at all
- Men are preferred rather little

- Men are preferred more
- Men are strongly preferred
- I don't know/can't judge

Allocation of research projects

- Men are not preferred at all
- Men are preferred rather little
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In your rheumatology workplace, do you experience that women are given preference over men for equal performance with regard to...?

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- Women are strongly preferred
- I don't know/can't judge

Staffing of positions

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- Women tend to be preferred less
- Women tend to be preferred more
- Men are strongly preferred
- I don't know/can't judge

Salary

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Allocation of research projects

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- Women are strongly preferred
- I don't know/can't judge

Question 5

In your opinion, do full-time and part-time employees have the same opportunities for advancement in your workplace?

- Yes
- no
- I don't know/can't say

Women who work part-time have the same opportunities for advancement as women who work full-time.

- Yes
- Yes No
- I don't know/can't say

Men who work part-time have the same opportunities for advancement as men who work full-time

- Yes
- No I don't know/can't say
- I don't know/can't say

Question 6

Are meetings and internal training sessions at your workplace organized in such a way that part-time employees can also attend during working hours?

- Yes, always
- Yes, most of the time
- Yes, sometimes
- Never

Question 7

In your opinion, are activities needed to ensure equal opportunities for women and men in your work environment?

- Yes, definitely
- Rather yes
- Rather no
- No, definitely not

- I don't know/can't judge

Question 8

If you answered "rather no" or "no" to the previous question: Why not?

(answer as free text)

Question 9

Which of the following measures exist at your workplace explicitly on the topic of equal treatment and equal opportunities?

Flexibility measures (e.g. part-time models, home office, extra parental leave)

Support for the care of family members

Support for career planning (by superiors, etc.)

Mentoring

Networks

Coaching

Job sharing

Seminars on role distribution/expectations to raise awareness of gender stereotypes

Promotion of gender-neutral language

Gender-neutral evaluation and hiring processes

Emphasis on female role models

Target agreements for quotas for women

Explicit statements by management on equal opportunities

Equal Opportunity Officer

- Measure exists and is actively offered

- Measure exists, but is only introduced/implemented on request

- Measure exists in theory

- Measure does not exist

- I don't know/can't judge

Question 10

In your opinion, what activities would be important when it comes to ensuring gender equality in your work environment? (Answer as free text)

Question 11

Do you have any other comments about gender equality in your workplace that you would like to share? (Answer as free text)

Part II: Question 12

In the German Society for Rheumatology (DGRh) In your opinion, is there equal opportunity between women and men when filling positions in the committees of the DGRh?

- Yes, definitely
- Rather yes
- Rather no
- No, definitely not
- I don't know/can't judge

Question 13

In your opinion, should the DGRh ensure balance when filling positions on its committees, for example by introducing a quota for women?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know/can't judge

Question 14

If yes, how high do you think such a quota for women should be?

- 50%
- 30%
- other

Question 15

If you answered "other": Which women's quota do you propose? (Answer as free text)

Question 16

Do you think an equal opportunity commission in rheumatology would be useful?

- Yes, definitely
- No, it is not necessary
- I am undecided
- I cannot judge

Question 17

What would you like to see from the Equal Opportunities Commission of the DGRh? (Answer as free text)

Question 18

In your opinion, should the DGRh develop an equal opportunities concept to ensure equal opportunities in the professional society?

- Yes, this is a good idea

- No, not necessary
- Don't know / no answer

Question 19

Do you have any other comments on gender equality in the DGRh that you would like to share?
(Answer as free text)

Question 20

I am

- Female
- Male
- diverse

Question 21

I am a DGRh member

- Yes
- No