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Dr. Ryll holds a medical degree from the Free University of Berlin, Germany, and a PhD in Biomedical Sciences from University College London, UK.

After losing her husband to Melanoma, she founded the Melanoma Patient Network Europe and developed a special interest in patient-centric clinical research, innovative trial designs and novel drug development concepts as well as pragmatic solutions on how to ensure access to innovative treatments in situations of both high unmet need as well as high uncertainty.

Between 2015 and 2018, Dr. Ryll chaired the ESMO-PAWG, the first time this position was held by a non-oncologist and was instrumental behind the development of the advocacy track at annual ESMO conferences and joined the Horizon Europe Mission Board for Cancer in 2019.

Dr. Ryll is involved in numerous initiatives promoting evidence-based advocacy. She is fascinated by the enormous potential and capacity of patient networks to both educate and support patients as well as to capture data at the primary data source, the patients themselves, to generate evidence at a granularity level non-accessible to outsiders.