

Dr Johann Van Der Merwe



Dr Johann Van Der Merwe is a practicing GP/anaesthetist in Paarl, Western Cape. He matriculated in 1968 from Middelburg High school and enrolled at the University of Pretoria where he obtained his B.Sc in 1972 and an MB.ChB in 1978. Johann completed his internship at Pietersburg hospital in 1979 and spent the next 7 years in GP practice in Reivilo. In 1989 he was granted the Fellow of Faculty of Anaesthetists- F.F.A. (SA) degree at UCT. He went on to spend 2 years at UCT as an anaesthetist before going into private anaesthetic practice for 7 years. In 1993 he deregistered as a specialist and went back to GP practice while still doing anaesthetics. With a strong interest in doping in sport, Dr vd Merwe had a theory on the mechanism of

Creatine monohydrates androgenic effect, and needed to prove the theory by research. He therefore enrolled at the University of Stellenbosch for an M.Phil in Exercise Physiology and obtained the degree in 2006.