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Biography:

Daniel Tigges had his kidney cancer diagnosis in January 2020, at the age of 41. After a routine check-up at the family doctor, he was diagnosed with a metastatic tumour of about 15 cm in size, without any complaints. After several examinations and findings of other lesions, it was determined that the cause of his cancer was the VHL disease. He is probably the first in his family to have VHL.

Daniel quickly became a member of the German kidney cancer network “Das Lebenshaus” and was elected to the board. There, he would like to be the contact person for young affected people and patients with hereditary tumours in particular. He is also member of the German VHL organisation and helps with the exchange of information between both organisations.

After treatment and second opinion stations at the University Hospital in Cologne, Essen, Münster and Utrecht, Daniel has been taking part in a study on the new active substance Belzutifan (MK 6482) at the University Hospital in Maastricht, the Netherlands, since March 2021. The contact to the study abroad was made possible by information from the IKCC and Rachel Giles.

Professionally, Daniel is the managing partner of an emission testing laboratory for products (like construction products, furniture, mattresses, consumer goods) in Cologne. In this capacity, he also works at national and international level in expert committees and standardisation groups for product testing and legal principles.

Daniel is married and has two sons of age 11 and 14 (who are also affected by VHL).