

Prof. Dr. Susan Armijo-Olivo

Dr. Armijo-Olivo comes from Chile, where she completed her Bachelor of Sciences in physiotherapy at the Pontifical University Catholic of Chile. She performed her MScPT and a PhD in Rehabilitation Sciences from the University of Alberta, Canada. She also performed two postdoctoral fellowships: one in evidence-based practice, clinical epidemiology, and knowledge synthesis and another in musculoskeletal disorders. She is an adjunct Professor in the Faculties of Rehabilitation Medicine and Medicine and Dentistry at the University of Alberta. Dr. Armijo-Olivo is currently a Professor at the University of Applied Sciences Osnabrück, Germany and teaches in the field of clinical reasoning, research methods, statistics, and systematic reviews. Dr. Armijo-Olivo is the lead of the S-TEAM (STrengthening Evidence-based Physiotherapy And Musculoskeletal care) research program, which has the overarching goal of Promoting and integrating research into initiatives that seek, develop, and support improvement of the health care system in the area of physiotherapy and specifically in Musculoskeletal (MSK) disorders. Dr. Armijo-Olivo is interested in optimize and validate methods used to synthesize research, and to conduct high quality clinical research particularly in the area of allied health professions. Her major field of research is diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of patients with musculoskeletal pain especially orofacial pain, temporomandibular disorders, cranio-cervical disorders along with physical therapy evidence-based practice, knowledge synthesis, and knowledge translation in health research areas. Within these areas, she has published numerous articles and book chapters recognized internationally. She has received very prestigious awards within the University of Alberta and from the **Canadian government** such as the Canadian Institute of Health Research (CIHR) Sir Frederick Banting and Dr Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarship, and "the Sir Frederick Banting Fellowship." She collaborates with international research groups in the area of musculoskeletal disorders and pain and clinical epidemiology from different International Universities and countries. She has strong links with Researchers from Canada, UK, Spain, Belgium, Italy, and South America.