

## **Biography: Haner Direskeneli**

Haner Direskeneli, MD is a Professor of Rheumatology and is currently the Chief of Vasculitis Clinic and Division of Rheumatology, Department of Medicine in Marmara University, School of Medicine, Istanbul, Turkey.

He graduated from Istanbul University, had residency trainings in Internal Medicine/ Rheumatology in Marmara University and fellowships in Lupus Research Unit, St. Thomas' Hospital (1992) and Department of Oral Immunology in UMDS, London UK (1992-1993).

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