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# Dr. KLEIN

Season 1 - 12 x 45'



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# 01 – The Synopsis

## DR. KLEIN – A FAMILY SERIES 2.0

**Season 1 – 12 x 45' HD**

**Season 2 – in Production**

Dr. Valerie Klein is a highly regarded pediatrician at the children's hospital in Stuttgart. But despite her professional success, her life is anything but easy: her daughter is in the middle of puberty, her son doesn't want to grow anymore, her father has dementia ... Valerie's life-saver is her husband, who lovingly takes care of the household and family. Valerie had to learn early on to fight against discrimination (she is 1,32 m tall).

Within the hospital, she is best friends with head physician Dr. Eisner and down-to-earth anesthetist Dr. Luna Haller. The most difficult person to contend with is the arrogant head physician Dr. Lang, who is convinced that he didn't get the job of senior physician because he is "healthy, normal and heterosexual".

Hard but rewarding times await Valerie and her young patients!



## 02 – The Episodes



### EPISODE 1 – Coming Home

Pediatrician Dr. Klein just started her new job at the children's hospital in Stuttgart. The new team has to get used to each other and to their new medical director who has a tendency to save on everything she can.

On Valerie's first day, there's no time for introductions. Within the first hour that she's in the hospital, an emergency occurs and she's called on duty. Soon, she finds herself arguing with Dr. Lang, who's been at the hospital for a long time already. He wants to remove the patient's spleen whereas newcomer Dr. Klein wants to wait for a suitable donor. Unfortunately, it is out of the question that Leon's parents donate. Suddenly Leon's life is at a risk if a donor can't be found at once.

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### EPISODE 2 – Islands

Nine-year-old Judith Thaller is severely injured after falling from a fence. She urgently needs a blood transfusion, but her parents, who belong to a special religious community that forbids medical interventions like these, reject the treatment. Dr. Klein gives the girl a transfusion anyway, and saves her life. The result: Judith's parents disown their daughter.

Meanwhile, the entire hospital has learned that Dr. Klein's daughter Pam got into a fight with another girl. Nurse Nanny is working on her plan to get Dr. Lang to marry her. And Valerie finds a mysterious photo in her father's drawer, which could shake up her entire family.



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### EPISODE 3 – A New Life

Sometimes everything comes together at once: While Valerie is still wondering who the woman in her father's picture could possibly be, the idea of throwing a secret surprise birthday party for her daughter Pam totally fails to please the capricious teen.

At the hospital: Dr. Lang has to inform his patient Iris Born that her unborn child is suffering from dwarfism. Upon running into Valerie after this diagnosis, she has a nervous breakdown and wants a late abortion. Dr. Klein accuses Dr. Lang of having advised his patient from only one point of view. Prof. Magnus Eisner orders both Dr. Lang and Dr. Klein to treat Iris Born together. While Dr. Luna Haller and Dr. Jonas Müller are being drawn to one another, nurse Nanny wants to become friends with Dr. Lang's mother ...

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### EPISODE 4 – Hopes

Now that Holger Klein has finally finished his book, it looks like he'll have to travel a lot after its publication. Who'll take care of Peter Wagner?

At work, Valerie is stumped by the life-threatening illness of little Hanna. Back at home, Valerie makes a hurtful remark to her husband about taking care of her father. Holger realizes that his wife never really believed he would finish the book ... Tension mounts when Magnus Eisner refuses to apply for an adoption. This is very important to Patrick. Grit Lang makes it clear to her son Bernd that it's time to marry – if he wants to inherit her estate ... Nanny has now become friends with Grit – which also doesn't suit Dr. Lang.



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### EPISODE 5 – Jealousy

Holger's book is rejected by the publishing house – a major blow for him, since he had hoped to break out of the house-husband mold. He lets his temper out on Valerie at a bad moment, since she just happens to run into Mark Schneider, a small person and friend from her old dance school. Today he's the millionaire owner of a pretzel-baker's chain. Mark's nephew Ole, a bored rich kid, has to be treated at the clinic where he is assigned to Nico Spengler's room.

Ole immediately has an aversion to Nico, who, however, refuses to be treated unfairly by Ole. Then Ole finds out that Nico has leukemia and that no therapy works anymore ... Patrick is delighted that Magnus is seriously considering an adoption. But there's more to Magnus' change of mind than there seems.

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### EPISODE 6 – Tension

Max Klein is worried about his parents, and the tension is getting unbearable ever since the pretzel maker Mark Schneider buried Valerie's car beneath rose petals. Holger thinks that Valerie is falling for the baker and his millions. He feels useless anyway after his book was turned down.

The very heavy Jimmy has been admitted to the clinic after bingeing on birthday cake. His equally heavy parents feel that Valerie and the other doctors are humiliating them. Dr. Lang, meanwhile, notices that Nanny means more to him than he wants to admit. Luna Haller invites Jonas Müller to dinner, but doesn't show up again. Patrick and Magnus are still squabbling about the divorce. But this time Patrick has enough and moves in – with the Kleins!



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### EPISODE 7 – Dead Ends

Magnus is furious with Valerie and feels she is disloyal for giving “asylum” to Patrick. Her own marriage is in a dead end, and Mark Schneider is not about to give up his battle for Valerie. Holger decides to speak directly with his rival.

Meanwhile Valerie has found out that her father must have had an affair with a woman who then bore him a child ...

14-year-old Janny has been taken to the clinic after an attempted suicide. The teen is going through her coming-out and faces massive attacks of bullying. Jonas Müller is certain that Luna is stealing narcotics in the clinic. Is she an addict? Is she dealing? He tries to speak to Luna, but she can't tell him the truth.

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### EPISODE 8 – Setbacks

Nico Spengler, who is being treated for leukemia, has had a relapse. Dr. Lang cannot accept that the boy – in Valerie's words – is immune to further therapeutic measures. While Nico's father flees from this terrible certainty, Nico's mother still clings to tiny bit of hope that Dr. Lang has instilled within her. Nico, in turn, simply wants to be able to die.

Head physician Magnus is suffering from Patrick's break-up. In addition, Magnus has found out that Pamela Klein, Valerie's daughter, is getting drunk more and more often with her new clique. Luna Haller and Jonas Müller finally have a violent argument because of the stolen narcotics. With his memory fading ever faster, Valerie's father has left home and found refuge in a brothel.

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### EPISODE 9 – Intoxication

Magnus Eisner wants to let the drunken Pam and her friend Alina spend the night at his flat, but Alina falls down the stairs and has to be taken to the hospital. Pam, in turn, shows symptoms of alcohol poisoning ... The doctors find various illegal substances in Alina's body. But where do they come from? Valerie is horrified. Could Pam be on drugs?

Ever since Holger has been helping out in Patrick's restaurant, he has been spending less time at home. Valerie's father has also wandered off without his medication. In delirium, he thinks that Max Klein is his own son. Jonas has found out that Luna was stealing medication for the withdrawal of her drug-addicted brother Till. Grit would like Nanny to help care for the guests at her vernissage – but she's not happy when Nanny uses her "hands-on" charm with the male guests...

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### EPISODE 10 – Perfect World

Holger, Patrick and Valerie's sister are beaten up by right-wing radicals when they leave a gay bar. Among them is Hans Schmidt, the ringleader whom they run into again at the clinic, where Holger's injuries are being cared for.

While Holger is being urged by his family to file charges against Schmidt, Holger withdraws increasingly into his own world. Valerie knows that he's under shock and tries to help. Patrick is also shocked since his parents are coming to visit and he doesn't want to provoke unnecessary discussions. He wants Magnus to play perfect couple again with him.

Nanny is possibly pregnant; is it Dr. Lang's child or that of her one-night-stand?



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### EPISODE 11 – Shadows

Bastian Schwarz would be a perfect donor for stem cells for his fatally ill brother, but in the last minute, in the OP, he cancels the operation! His parents are desperate, but Bastian seems to enjoy the attention that he, instead of his brother, is getting.

For the moment, peace reigns in the Klein household. To help Pam in math, Holger hires the underwear model Daniel as tutor. Holger assumes that Daniel is gay, and thus immune to the pubescent Pam. Then he finds out Daniel is bisexual ...

Patrick's mother has left her husband and is temporarily living with Magnus, who surprisingly seems to be enjoying this situation. Grit is euphoric over Nanny's pregnancy. She does not suspect anything about Nanny's doubts as to whether Bernd is really the father. Bernd, however, has long known that he cannot be the father.

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### EPISODE 12 – Fun and Games are over

Valerie's search for the truth about her family yields results she would rather not know ... Seven-year-old Anno has been taken to the clinic after suffering a dizzy spell while climbing a tree. Why does the little boy insist so vehemently on being called Anna?

Luna Haller deplores her mistakes and wants to apologize to Jonas, who thinks her attentions are covering something up. Magnus finds out that Patrick has met another man. Is everything over now? Finally, Dr. Lang cannot get used to the idea of raising a child that is not his. Then Nanny tells him what really happened during her one-night stand. The cherry on the cake is when Grit wants to discuss her son's wedding with Nanny...

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## 03 – The Characters – Main Cast



### DR. VALERIE („VALLY“) KLEIN

**Senior Physician, 38 (played by Christine Urspruch)**

Dr. Valerie Klein is 1,32 meters tall. That said, she has learned that she must draw attention to herself if she doesn't want to be overlooked. However, being underestimated can also be an advantage, and she readily makes use of it.

At the clinic Valerie has to fight to establish her authority. It is part of her duties to convince the parents of little children that she has the right approach for the treatment of the child, that she is an outstanding surgeon and that she is in the ideal position to save the life of a child. Some parents react skeptically towards her. But children and youths are also sometimes confused that their doctor is smaller than they themselves. But Valerie succeeds time and again to help everyone take the right decision.

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### NANNY ABEL

**Nurse, 32 (played by Nora Huetz)**

Nanny Abel is young and sexy and thus exactly Dr. Lang's type. While she believes that she can sleep her way up the career ladder and that the head physician is an attractive catch, he wouldn't ever even dream of marrying her. But even if Nanny isn't the brightest light around, she might be clever enough to get Dr. Lang where she wants him.

Nanny's sexy attire clearly disturbs head nurse Gundula, and she keeps telling Nanny to dress more appropriately. Nanny is also a pain in the neck to Dr Klein, since she apparently lets herself be exploited by Dr. Lang. So many decades of emancipation down the drain? Underestimated by all, Nanny turns out to be much more clever than one thinks.

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### DR. BERND LANG

**Head Physician, 45 (played by Simon Licht)**

Dr. Bernd Lang is unmistakably on the warpath against Dr. Klein, since the cynic desperately wanted the post of chief physician. That he was skipped over is something that he cannot bear because of his vanity and ambitiousness. What hits him harder, however, is the one they've put in charge: a short woman! The daughter of the former clinic director! A good friend of the present chief physician! If this isn't nepotism!

Having assumed that he would become the acting head physician, Dr. Lang has incurred many debts and hasn't told his mother about this yet. To her, he has made a great career so far. But it also hurts financially, since he should give back the sports car he bought – but doesn't have the courage to do so. Nanny Abel, who would like to become Mrs. Lang, couldn't think of a better way of putting him under pressure.

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### GUNDULA PIEPER

**Head Nurse, 55 (played by Martina Eitner-Acheampong)**

For Gundula Pieper, the hospital is her one and all, and the well-being of the children is the focal point of her life. She is beloved for this. Within her ward, however, she runs a tight ship. She considers herself on a par with the doctors. She won't take bull from no one. She has a genuine Rubens figure but doesn't suffer under it; after all, a real woman shouldn't be just skin and bones. Though she loves sports and is very active, this doesn't seem to leave any traces on her figure. She has to reprimand Dr. Lang every now and then when he takes advantage of her nurses. She highly esteems Prof. Dr. Magnus Eisner, however, and he would be her dream man if he were available.

The only man whom she had truly loved was Prof. Peter Wagner, Valerie's father. But so long he was married she always respected this. Or was there perhaps something more?

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### PROF. DR. MAGNUS EISNER

**Chief Physician, 52 (played by Miroslav Nemec)**

Prof. Dr. Magnus Eisner hired Valerie because she asked him if he would. Fortunately, he was looking for a senior physician. But he also knows that she is a very special doctor and predestined to work with children. Both have known each other for years now, and are really good friends. Magnus is a boss who is respected and liked by all. Except maybe Dr. Lang who had speculated on Valerie's job. Magnus is always ready to protect Valerie. She doesn't always like this and has the feeling that she has to fight for her authority with him, too.





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### DR. LUNA HALLER

**Anesthetist, 39 (played by Clelia Sarto)**

Dr. Luna Haller is an easy-going, no-nonsense woman who becomes a permanent target for Dr. Lang's chauvinist viewpoints which just roll off of her.

She's overjoyed that Valerie is her new boss. The two doctors get along with each other from the start, and love to share their Dr-Lang stories. She secretly feels attracted to Jonas Müller, however, but doesn't know what he feels for her.



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### DR. JONAS MÜLLER

**Assistant physician, 29 (played by Michael Klammer)**

Dr. Jonas Müller is the ward's good-looker. Unfortunately, he seems to lack the gene to exploit his looks... The male virgin, at the same time a hopeless romantic, always ends up with the wrong woman. At the last second, his dates go awry. But he still believes in the one big love which is going to overwhelm him too some day. Valerie would like to pair him off with Luna ...

As a baby Jonas was adopted by a Swabian couple. He doesn't know his birth parents, which makes him feel without roots. He is good-natured and eager to learn, which Nanny Abel loves to exploit. He plays music and would much rather become a rock star ... One can often find him sitting at a child's bedside playing something on the guitar. He believes that music can also heal!

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