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CURRICULUM VITAE

1978-1984: Medical studies at the Leopold-Franzens University, Innsbruck
1990- General Practitioner
1994- Clinical Investigator (Diploma of the Austrian Medical Association)
1995- Specialist in Internal Medicine
1998- Sub-Specialist in Rheumatology
2000 Habilitation in Internal Medicine

Postgraduate Training

1984-1985: Institute of Medical Psychology, Innsbruck University
1985: Trainee at the Institute of Medical Biology, Innsbruck University
1985 - 1988: Residency in Biochemical and Clinical Pharmacology, Innsbruck University
1988 - 1990: Residency in Family Medicine, LKH Innsbruck and Natters
1991 - 1992: Residency in Internal Medicine, Hospital of Rheumatology, Sozialversicherungsanstalt der Bauern, Badgastein
1992 - 1995: Residency at the Department of Internal Medicine, Innsbruck University
1992 - 1996: Member of the research group in the Laboratory of Bone Marrow and Stem Cell Culture
1996 - 1997: Research Fellow at the Division of Rheumatology, Mayo Clinic and Foundation, Rochester (MN, USA)
2000, 2008: Visiting Professor at Rheumatology Clinic Bad Bramstedt (Prof.Dr.W. Gross)

Academic Positions at Medical University of Innsbruck (and Graz)

1997-2006 Staff member of the Department of Internal Medicine
1999- Head of a research group for rheumatic diseases, sponsored by the Austrian Research Fund, the Austrian Science Fund, the Austrian Academy of Science, the Ministry of Health, EU-Permides project and the Austrian Society of Rheumatology
2000- Associate Professorship at the Department of Internal Medicine

2006-2009 Head of the Department of Internal Medicine at the General Hospital of the Elizabethinen Klagenfurt as a Teaching Department of the University of Graz

Teaching

Teaching for soldiers of the Austrian Army and paramedics 1992-1995

Students' teaching, mentoring of students to perform their MD-theses, MD-diplomas and PhD-work

Lectures at accredited postgraduate training events

Organisation of rheumatologic sonography courses since 2008

Scientific interests

Pathophysiological focus

Characteristics and role of pro-inflammatory, early-aged CD28- T helper cells in immune-mediated diseases (human studies)

Role of Toll like receptors in spondyloarthritis (mouse model and human studies)

Clinical focus

Development of diagnostic algorithms for rheumatic diseases

Epidemiological studies in rheumatology (with IT-solution like SolutionX project)

Imaging in rheumatology

Publications

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Editorial work

Assoc.Editor of Rheumatol International since 2015

Member of Editorial boards and reviewer for several peer-reviewed rheumatological journals and funding institutions

Memberships in Medical Associations

International Society for Behcet's Disease

European Vasculitis Society (EUVAS)

Assessment of SpondyloArthritis International Society (ASAS)

Mayo Alumni Association and its German-speaking chapter, Philipp Hench Society

Austrian Society for Rheumatology, Austrian Society for Immunology and Allergology

German Society for Rheumatology