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Academic Training

- 1990-96 Study of Biochemistry at the University of Hannover, the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover and the Hannover Medical School
- 1995-96 Center for Molecular Biology Heidelberg (ZMBH), University of Heidelberg, Germany (Diploma Thesis)

1998-00	German Cancer Re	esearch Center,	Heidelberg, (Germany ((PhD ⁻	Thesis)

Academic Degrees

2000 PhD thesis (Dr. rer. nat., Summa cum laude) "Das Zwei-Signalwege-Modell des Todesrezeptors CD95: Implikationen für das Verständnis der Immunantwort" at the German Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg (Prof. Peter H. Krammer); graduation via University of Hannover
2006 Habilitation and *venia legendi* for Molecular Medicine, Heinrich-Heine-University, Düsseldorf, Germany

Academic and research appointments

- 2001-03 Postdoctoral researcher in the Laboratory of Immunobiology, Dana-Farber Cancer Research Center, Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA
- 2003-08 Group leader at the Institute of Molecular Medicine, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany
- 2008-09 Group leader at the Institute for Medical Microbiology and Hospital Hygiene, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany
- 2009-20 Professor (W2) at the Institute of Molecular and Clinical Immunology at the Medical Faculty, Ottovon-Guericke-University Magdeburg; Co-Appointment as head of the Research Group Systemsoriented Immunology and Inflammation Research (SIME) at the HZI, Braunschweig
- Since 2013 Spokesman of the Research Focus Group "Signaltransduction" of the German Society for Immunology (DGfI)
- 2013-16 Member of the scientific council of the Signal Transduction Society
- Since 2014 Coordinator of the MGK854 within CRC854, Magdeburg (together with Prof. Dunja Bruder)
- 2017-19 Vice President of the Signal Transduction Society
- 2017-20 Member of the supervisory board of the Helmholtz Center for Infection Research
- Since 2018 Member of the selection committee of the Georges-Köhler-Award of the German Society for Immunology (DGfI)
- Since 2020 President of the Signal Transduction Society
- Since 2020 Chair (W3 Professor) of the Dept. of Molecular Immunology, Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany

Awards & honors

2001-02	Emmy-Noether stipend by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
2011	STS/CCS Science Award by the Signal Transduction Society