

## *Curriculum vitae*

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### Personal Data

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### Current Positions, Employment, and Faculty Appointments

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**since 2015 Full professor (§98) for Medical Biochemistry**  
Danube University Krems, Krems, Austria

**since 2010 Vice-Rector for Research**  
Danube University Krems, Krems, Austria

**2013-2019 Head, Christian Doppler Laboratory**  
Innovative Therapy Approaches in Sepsis [www.sepsisresearch.at](http://www.sepsisresearch.at)

**since 2015 Head, Center for Biomedical Technology**  
Danube University Krems, Krems, Austria

**since July 2018 Head, Department for Biomedical Research**  
Danube University Krems, Krems, Austria

### Education

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**1985 - 1990 University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (Biotechnology),**  
Vienna, Austria

**1990 Graduation (Dipl.-Ing.),** with distinction

**1990 - 1993 Doctoral thesis**  
Institute for Chemistry, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences,  
Vienna, Austria

**1993 Promotion (Dr. rer. nat. techn.),** with distinction

**2008 Habilitation (venia docendi) for Biochemistry**  
University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria

### Academic and Professional Career

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**1991 - 1994 Researcher**  
Institute for Chemistry, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences,  
Vienna, Austria (Glycobiology, with Prof. Leopold März)

**Oct 1992 Advanced Course on Glycoconjugates**, Federal European Biochemical Societies (FEBS), Lille, France

**1994 - 1996 Post-doctoral Training**

Institute for Tumor Biology and Cancer Research, Medical University Vienna, Austria (with Prof. Dr. Ulrike Wintersberger)

**1996 - 1999 Maternity leave**

**1999 - 2008 Group Leader Biochemistry**, Center for Biomedical Technology, Danube University Krems (with Prof. Dr. Dieter Falkenhagen)

## Research Interests

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- Blood-biomaterial interface and blood compatibility
- Extracorporeal therapies
- Extracellular vesicles (characterization and functional studies in inflammation and coagulation)
- Pathophysiology of sepsis [www.sepsisresearch.at](http://www.sepsisresearch.at)
- Advanced pathogen detection in blood stream infection

## Honors and Awards

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- Member, Leibniz-Sozietät der Wissenschaften zu Berlin (since 2021)
- Science2Business Award (2017)
- Liese Prokop Award (2005)
- Young Investigator Award, European Society for Artificial Organs (2000)
- Anton Kurir Award, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna (1994)

## Reviewing Activities & Board Memberships

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**Supervisory Board** Vienna Biocenter Core Facilities (VBCF)

**Board** Complexity Science Hub [www.csh.ac.at](http://www.csh.ac.at)

**Reviewer for funding** Österreichische Nationalbank

**organizations** Research Executive Agency EU FP7 PEOPLE: International Incoming, Outgoing, and Intra-European Fellowships  
Romanian Council for Research and Development  
Polish-Norwegian Research Programme  
South Moravian Programme for Distinguished Researchers  
National Research Foundation Singapore  
Dutch Research Council

**Reviewer for journals** Acta Biomaterialia  
Biomacromolecules

Biomaterials  
Blood Purification  
Cellulose  
Chemical Reviews  
Frontiers in Immunology  
International Journal of Artificial Organs  
Journal of Bioactive and Compatible Polymers  
Journal of Biomaterials Science, Polymer Edition  
Journal of Chromatography A  
Journal of Nanosciences and Nanotechnology  
Journal of Nanotechnology  
Nature Communications  
Scientific Reports (Editorial Board Member)  
Therapeutic Apheresis and Dialysis  
Transfusion and Apheresis Science

### **Memberships in Professional Societies**

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- ESAO** European Society for Artificial Organs (Board Member, President Elect)  
[www.esao.org](http://www.esao.org)
- ISEV** International Society for Extracellular Vesicles
- ÖGMBT** Austrian Association of Molecular Life Sciences and Biotechnology (Board Member and Vice President) [www.oegmbt.at](http://www.oegmbt.at)
- DSG** Deutsche Sepsis-Gesellschaft
- ESS** European Shock Society
- ASEV** Austrian Society for Extracellular Vesicles (Founding Member and Vice President, [www.asev.at](http://www.asev.at))

### **Organisation of Conferences**

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- Scientific Advisory Board, Conference of the European Society for Artificial Organs (since 2007)
- Annual meeting of the ÖGMBT, Vienna, (2010)
- ASAIO-ESAO Winter School, Semmering (2011, 2012)
- ESAO Summer School on Biomaterials, Krems (2011)
- Symposium Extracellular Vesicles in Inflammation (2015, 2016, 2019, 2021)
- BionanoMed (2016, 2017)
- Annual Meeting of the ESAO (2016, 2017)

- ESAO Winter School (2018-2020)

## Peer-Reviewed Articles

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Almeria C, Weiss R, Roy M, Tripisciano C, Kasper C, Weber V, Egger D (2019) Hypoxia conditioned mesenchymal stem cell-derived extracellular vesicles induce increased vascular tube formation in vitro. *Front Bioeng Biotechnol* 7:292

Fendl B, Weiss R, Eichhorn T, Spittler A, Fischer MB, Weber V (2019) Storage of human whole blood, but not isolated monocytes, preserves the distribution of monocyte subsets. *Biochem Biophys Res Commun* 517(4):709-714

Pilecky M, Schildberger A, Knabl L, Orth-Höller D, Weber V (2019) Influence of antibiotic treatment on the detection of *S. aureus* in whole blood following pathogen enrichment. *BMC Microbiol* 19(1):180

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