

Curriculum vitae

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Current Positions, Employment, and Faculty Appointments

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

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

since 2013 Head, Christian Doppler Laboratory
Innovative Therapy Approaches in Sepsis 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

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

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

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

Awards

- Anton Kurir Award, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna (1994)
- Young Investigator Award, European Society for Artificial Organs (2000)
- Liese Prokop Award (2005)
- Science2Business Award (2017)

Reviewing Activities & Board Memberships

Supervisory Board Vienna Biocenter Core Facilities (VBCF)

Board Complexity Science Hub www.csh.ac.at

Reviewer for funding Österreichische Nationalbank

organizations Independent expert for the Research Executive Agency of the EU, FP7
PEOPLE International Incoming and Outgoing, Intra-European Fellowships
Romanian Council for Research and Development
Polish-Norwegian Research Programme
South Moravian Programme for Distinguished Researchers

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

- ESAO** European Society for Artificial Organs (Board Member) 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.ac.at
- DSG** Deutsche Sepsis-Gesellschaft
- ESS** European Shock Society
- ASEV** Austrian Society for Extracellular Vesicles (Founding Member and Vice President, www.asev.at)

Organisation of Conferences

- 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)
- BionanoMed (2016, 2017)
- Annual Meeting of the ESAO (2016, 2017)
- ESAO Winter School (2018, 2019)

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Fendl B, Eichhorn T, Weiss R, Tripisciano C, Spittler A, Fischer MB, Weber V (2018) Differential interaction of platelet-derived extracellular vesicles with circulating immune cells: roles of TAM receptors, CD11b, and phosphatidylserine. *Frontiers in Immunology* 9:2797

Pilecky M, Schildberger A, Orth-Höller D, Weber V (2018) Pathogen enrichment from whole blood for diagnostic and therapeutic applications: prospects and limitations. *Diagnostic Microbiology and Infectious Disease* <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.diagmicrobio.2018.11.015> (in press)

Théry C, Witwer KW, Weber V, et al. (2018) Minimal information for studies of extracellular vesicles 2018 (MISEV2018): a position statement of the International Society for Extracellular Vesicles and update of the MISEV2014 guidelines. *Journal of Extracellular Vesicles* 7:1, Article ID 1535750.

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Gubensek J, Strobl K, Harm S, Weiss R, Eichhorn T, Buturovic-Ponikvar J, Weber V, Hartmann J (2018) Influence of citrate concentration on the activation of blood cells in an in vitro dialysis setup. *PLoS One* 13(6):e0199204.

Weiss R, Gröger M, Rauscher S, Fendl B, Eichhorn T, Fischer MB, Spittler A, Weber V (2018) Differential interaction of platelet-derived extracellular vesicles with leukocyte subsets in human whole blood. *Sci Rep* 8(1):6598.

Mushahary D, Spittler A, Kasper C, Weber V, Charwart V (2018) Isolation, cultivation, and characterization of human mesenchymal stem cells. *Cytometry A* 93(1):19-31.

Eichhorn T, Hartmann J, Harm S, Linsberger I, König F, Valicek G, Miestinger G, Hörmann C, Weber V (2017) Clearance of selected cytokines with continuous veno-venous hemodialysis using Ultraflux EMiC2 versus Ultraflux AV1000S. *Blood Purif* 44:260-266.

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Weber V, Groth T (2017) Materials, surfaces, and systems for extracorporeal therapies and beyond. *Int J Artif Organs* 40(1):1-3.

Eichhorn T, Fischer MB, Weber V (2017) Mechanisms of endothelial activation in sepsis and cell culture models to study the heterogeneous host response. *Int J Artif Organs* 40(1):9-14.

Semak V, Fischer MB, Weber V (2017) Biomimetic principles to develop blood compatible surfaces. *Int J Artif Organs* 40(1):22-30.

Strobl K, Harm S, Weber V, Hartmann J (2017) The role of ionized calcium and magnesium in regional citrate anticoagulation and its impact on inflammatory parameters. *Int J Artif Organs* 40(1):15-21.

Weiss R, Eichhorn T, Spittler A, Mičušík M, Fischer MB, Weber V (2017) Release and cellular origin of extracellular vesicles during circulation of whole blood over adsorbent polymers for lipid apheresis. *J Biomed Mater Res B* 105(3):636-646.

Weiss R, Fischer MB, Weber V (2017) The impact of citrate concentration on adhesion of platelets and leukocytes to adsorbents in whole blood lipid apheresis. *J Clin Apher* 32(6):375-383.

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