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Date of Birth: June 20, 1957

Place of Birth: Hochheim/Main, Germany

Citizenship: German (Swiss resident, permit C)



Married to Eva Altmann-Schaffner, two children (Sandrine 1993, Christoph 1996)

Educational Record

May 1976: Abitur
May 1983: Diploma in chemistry, Johannes-Gutenberg Universität Mainz
Dec. 1986: PhD in organic chemistry, University of Basel. "Summa cum laude"
Feb. 1987 - Aug. 1989: Postdoctoral studies, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, USA.
Sept. 1989 - Aug. 1990: Assistant Professor, Institute of Organic Chemistry, Uni Lausanne.

Professional Career

Sept. 1990: Research scientist, Central Research Laboratories (CRL) Ciba-Geigy AG, Basel.
Jan. 1995: Project and group leader
Jan. 1997 - Oct. 2000: Therapeutic Area Oncology, Novartis Pharma Research. Project leader.
Nov. 2000 - Dec. 2002: Novartis Pharma Senior Chemistry Expert
Head of the Scientific Chemistry Council
Global Research Management Board of Novartis Pharma Research
Jan. 2003 - June 2003: Global Head of Chemistry *ad interim*, Novartis Institutes of Biomedical Research
July 2003 – current: Professor for Pharmaceutical Sciences, ETH Zürich

Awards

December 1998 Novartis Leading Scientist Award
November 2004 Novartis Lecturer for Central Europe
July 2014 Paul Ehrlich Prize of the Société Chimie Thérapeutique

Board Membership

- Swiss Chemical Society (SCS) (2011-2013).
- Division of Medicinal Chemistry and Chemical Biology of the SCS (2000-current; president from 2011-2013)
- Scientific Advisory Boards, companies and research institutes: Novartis Institute for Tropical
- Diseases (*NITD*), Singapore (Chair); *Evolva AG*, Reinach, Switzerland; *Nextech Venture Ltd.*,
- Zürich, Switzerland; *Helmholtz Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences*, Saarbrücken, Germany;
- *Institute of Chemistry and Biochemistry of the Czech Academy of Sciences (IOCB)*, Prague, Czechia;
- *Leibniz Institute of Molecular Pharmacology*, Berlin, Germany.
- Scientific Advisory Boards, journals: *Chimia*, *Helvetica Chimica Acta*, *Journal of Medicinal*
- *Chemistry*, *Minireviews in Medicinal Chemistry*, *ChemBioChem* (2004-2010), *Chimia*
- Member of the Editorial Board of *ChemMedChem*.