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Place of birth Knittelfeld, Austria

Nationality Austria

Family status Married, 3 children (Dominik born 1994, Theresa born 1997, Hannah born 1999)

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Research interest human placenta, dual placental perfusion system, PlaZentaTox, materno-fetal lipid

axis, (patho)physiology of the placenta, neonatal lipoproteins, bioactive lipids and

enzymes, inflammatory disorders in pregnancy

Career History

2003-2005 PostDoc at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Medical University of Graz

2005-2009 Scientific Assistant at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology (Prof. Dr. U. Lang,

Medical University of Graz), set- up and development of the ex vivo dual human

placental perfusion laboratory.

2013-Present Associate Professor at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Medical

University of Graz

Top 5 Ivited Scientific Talks

2015 Seminar, Tübingen, Germany – Mütterliche-neonatale Lipidachse und

Plazentafunktion

2015 SLIMP & LASRI, Mar del Plata, Argentina – Fetal HDL in gestational diabetes mellitus

(GDM) affects feto-placental endothelial barrier integrity: Relationship with HDL-

Associated S1P-apo complex

2016 22th Annual Conference of the Scandinavian Society for Atherosclerosis, Humlebaek,

Denmark. - LpPLA2 in Gestational Diabetes Mellitus - A protective system for

placenta and fetus?

Top 5 Honors and Awards

2014 Young Investigator Award on the 2nd World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology,

Hepatology and Nutrition, Paris, France

Top 5 Carrer-Related Activities and Memberships

2014 – 2017 Vicedean for Doctoral studies

2010	Member of the international PhD Program Molecular Fundamentals Of Inflammatio		
	(MOLIN)		
2012	Deputy speaker of the international doctoral PhD program Molecular Medicine		
	(MOLMED)		
2009	Member of the Medical University of Graz focusgroup: Lipid and lipid-associated		
	diseases		
2007	Biobank agent at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology		
2000	Deputy leader of the Clinical Obstetric Research Unit and Academical Network Graz-		
	Klagenfurt		

Invited referee for > 19 scientific journals and > 10 international funding organizations

Top 5 International Cooperations

Amgen, Pfizer, Roche, TEVA

Top 5 Funds obtained during last five years

Funding organization	Research topic of the project	Funding in kEuro	Funding period	
Austrian National Bank (OeNB-Jubiläumsfond)	Fetal HDL stimulates endothelial NO synthase in an SR-BI dependent manner and its significance for vasodilatation in normal and diabetic pregnancies	75	2011-16	
Roche	Transfer of Trastuzumab across the placental barrier	30	2015-17	
Amgen	Ex-vivo Dual Placental Perfusion of Denosumab	170	2016-	
Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG)	Placenta Perfusion Studio -PlaZentaTox	689	2014-19	

PHD students (since 2011)

Name of PhD student	Sex	Thesis Titel	Start	End
Ilaria Del Gaudio	f	The Role of (S1P)-HDL on endothelial Barrier Function	10/2015	ongoing
		in Gestational Diabetes Mellitus		
Michael Gruber	m	Nanoparticles at the human placental barrier	10/2015	ongoing
Carolin Besenböck	f	The role of Lipoprotein-assaociated phospholipase A2	10/2012	ongoing
		in diabetic pregnancy in placenta and fetus		
Birgit Hirschmugl	f	Maternal-to-fetal transfer of fatty acids across the	10/2012	ongoing
		human placenta		
Ivana Sreckovic		Functionality of fetal high-density lipoprotein particles:	10/2011	2013
	f	Heterogeneity and relationship to Gestation Diabetes		
		Mellitus		