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Academia

- 1991 - 1995 Studies in biology (diploma), University of Groningen
1995 - 1999 Doctorate (PhD), Universities of Leiden and Utrecht (Prof. Daha, Prof. van der Winkel)
2009 Habilitation (apoptosis driven infections) and appointment as private lecturer for infection immunology, University Clinic Ulm

Career

- 2000 - 2007 Postdoc, Medical Microbiology and Hygiene, Lübeck (Prof. Solbach)
2005 - 2007 Working group leader, Atto-Lab GmbH, Lübeck
2007 - 2011 Working group leader, Medical Microbiology and Hygiene, Ulm (Prof. Stenger)
since 5/2011 Head of department for immunology, Paul-Ehrlich Institute, Federal Institute for Vaccines and Biomedical Drugs, Langen, director and professor
since 8/2014 University-Professor (W2), University Mainz, Experimental infection immunology

Awards and Memberships

- 2007 Certified Medical Immunobiologist (Dutch Research Association) (SMBWO)
2008 - 2012 Executive board member of European COST action: Life or death of protozoan parasites.
since 2008 Speaker of the Working Group Infection Immunology of the German Society of Immunology (DGFI) and the German Society for Hygiene and Microbiology (DGHM)
2010 - 2015 Project coordinator of the research programme: Infection Biology of

- Macrophages, University of Ulm, sponsored by the Carl-Zeiss foundation
- since 2011 Executive board member of the Research Center for Immune Therapy (FZI),
Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

Selected Publications

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Crauwels P, Bohn R, Thomas M, Gottwalt S, Jäckel F, Krämer S, Bank E, Tenzer S, Walther P, Bastian M, **van Zandbergen G** (2015): Apoptotic-like Leishmania exploit the host's autophagy machinery to reduce T-cell 1 mediated parasite elimination. *Autophagy* 11: 285-297.