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**Academia**

2004 Habilitation in neurology

2004 Specialist for CSF analysis

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1997 Approbation as physician

1996 Doctorate (Dr. med.) at the Institute of Pharmacology (Prof. Dr. F. v. Bruchhausen), FU Berlin

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1994-1996 Extensive course in molecular neurobiology at the university of Hamburg

1987-1993 Studies of human medicine, FU Berlin, Université de Paris XI (France), Université de Lausanne (Switzerland), Brown University (USA)

**Career**

since 2012 Professor of neurology, university medicine of the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

2005-2012 Neurologist at the University Hospital Düsseldorf

2004-2005 Neurologist at the Teaching Hospital Hamburg

2002-2003 Scholarship holder in tje neuological intensive care unit at the University Hospital Hamburg

1999-2004 Leading scientist at the Institute for Clinical Neurobiology Hamburg

1997-1998 Postdoc at the Institute for Clinical Neurobiology Hamburg

**Awards**

2010 Ellison Foundation scholarship „Biology of Aging“

2004 Dr. Martini-Preis

2002 Arthur Kling, M.D. award for entrepreneurial science

1991 Bourse d’etat, Université de Paris XI

**Memberships**

* German Society of Neurology
* Neuroscience Society
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**Selected Publications**

Droby A, Panagoulias M, Albrecht P, Reuter E, Duning T, Hildebrandt A, Wiendl H, Zipp F, **Methner A**. (2015) A novel automated segmentation method for retinal layers in OCT images proves retinal degeneration after optic neuritis. *Br J Ophthalmol*. Aug 25

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