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### **Coordinator**

03/16 - 02/19

10/11 - 09/16

03/12 - 02/15

**BMBF Network** "PRECiSe", 8 national partners, € 2.7 Mio funding.

**Virtual Helmholtz Institute** „Resistance to Apoptosis and Therapy in Leukemia“, 13 national and 2 international partners, € 3.7 Mio funding ([www.leukemia-net.de](http://www.leukemia-net.de))

**BMBF Network** "CancerEpiSys", 9 national partners, € 3.0 Mio funding ([www.cancerepisys.org](http://www.cancerepisys.org))

### **Group Leader**

2007 - current

09/06 - current

10/06 - current

02/11

**Head of the Cooperation Unit** "Mechanisms of Leukemogenesis", University Ulm, DKFZ Heidelberg ([www.mertens-lab.de](http://www.mertens-lab.de))

**Head of a Research Group**, University Hospital Ulm. (4 PostDocs, 1 PhD student, 2 Technicians)

Focus: Epigenetics and Microenvironment

**Junior Group Leader** at the DKFZ in Heidelberg. (2 PhD Students)

Focus: Signaling Kinetics

**Venia Legendi** in Molecular Medicine, Faculty of Medicine

### **Postdoc**

08/01 - 10/06

03/02 - 06/02

**Head of a Project Group at the DKFZ**

**Diploma in Tropical and Public Medicine** at the Charité and Humboldt University, Berlin

### **Dissertation**

06/99 - 05/02

Characterization of Candidate Tumor Suppressor Genes in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia, Dept. **Prof. Peter Lichter, DKFZ, Heidelberg, "magna cum laude"** (1.0)

### **Work as Scientist**

10/96 - 05/99

05/96 - 09/96

06/96

Functional analyses of cell-cycle associated phosphatase cdc25B with tetracyclin-inducible expression, dept. **Prof. Harald zur Hausen, DKFZ, Heidelberg.**

Completion of the INRA project at the dept. of Developmental Biology, Tübingen.

Gene expression analyses of *GNOM*-mutants using filter-DNA-arrays at the **Laboratoire de Biologie Cellulaire (INRA), Paris**

### **Diploma thesis**

07/95 - 03/96

Identification and characterization of *GNOM*-dependent expressed genes using Differential Display at the dept. Of **Developmental Genetics**, Prof. Gerd Jürgens, Tübingen, grade „**Very Good**“ (best grade).

### **Studies**

10/94 - 06/95	<b>Diploma</b> in organic chemistry, biochemistry and microbiology, grade 1.5.
07/93 - 01/94	Practical studies (isolation of biologically active metabolic intermediates of herbal medicine) at the H.E.J. Research Institute of Chemistry, <b>Karachi, Pakistan</b>
10/90 - 10/94	Study of <b>Biochemistry</b> at the Institute for Physiological Chemistry, Tübingen
05/89	<b>Abitur</b> at the Bischof-Neumann-School, Königstein, <b>Grade 1.0</b> (best grade)
1976 - 1989	Visit of <b>schools</b> in <b>Germany, France and South Africa</b>

### **Prize**

06/02	<b>Scientific Prize</b> of the Franziska-Kolb-Foundation for Leukemia Research
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### **Patent**

2005	International Patent P 617 PCT / EZ, „ <b>Diagnosis and therapy of cell proliferative disorders characterized by resistance to TRAIL induced apoptosis</b> “, Joos S., Lichter P., Mertens D., Pscherer A., Wolf S.
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### **Continued Education (selection)**

Since 2012	Trainer of <b>Advanced Skills for Scientists</b> (courses at Universities, Helmholtz- and Max-Planck institutes; <a href="http://www.scientistsneedmore.de">www.scientistsneedmore.de</a> )
2012	<b>Tutor Training</b> of the Helmholtz Research Skills Development Course
2010	<b>Science management and marketing</b> , TU Berlin
2010	Central European Course “ <b>Methodology of Clinical Trials</b> in Oncology”
2010	Junior <b>Professional Management</b> , Center for Science and Research Management, ZWM Speyer
2010	<b>Introduction to Statistical Analysis</b> and Programming in R, EMBL
2009	Cesar Tutorial Methodological <b>Aspects in Clinical Trials</b>
2008	Course on <b>Project Management</b> (RH Human Resources)
2007	Basics of <b>Strategic Planning</b> (RH Human Resources)
2006	How to: <b>Performance interviews</b> with target agreement, team dynamics (RH Human Resources)

### **Publications**

67 Publications in peer reviewed journals, cumulative Impact Factor 559.162, cited 2226 times, H-index 27 evaluated 12/2016 according to Thomson and Reuters using 64/67 publications, full list under <http://www.researcherid.com/rid/F-4681-2011>.

### **Third Party Funding**

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, European Union, Helmholtz, Deutsche Krebshilfe, Deutsche José Carreras Leukämienstiftung, Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung.  
Total cumulative funding since 2007: 4.836 Mio €

**Reviewer and Peer**

for international journals:

- *American Journal of Pathology*
- *Annals in Oncology*
- *American Journal of Hematology*
- *Blood*
- *BMC Medical Genomics*
- *British Journal of Hematology*
- *Cancer Science*
- *Cellular Oncology*
- *Clinical Cancer Research*
- *Epigenomics*
- *Experimental Hematology*
- *Genes, Chromosomes and Cancer*
- *Haematologica*
- *International Journal of Cancer*
- *Journal of Clinical Oncology*
- *Journal of Clinical Pathology*
- *Journal of Pathology*
- *Leukemia*
- *Leukemia & Lymphoma*
- *Leukemia Research*
- *Molecular Medicine*
- *Nature Cell Biology*
- *Oncogene*
- *PLoS ONE*
- *PNAS*
- *RNA*

For grant funding bodies (selection)

- *CLL Global Research Foundation*
- *Deutsche Jose Carreras Leukämie Stiftung*
- *Kay Kendall Leukemia Fund UK*
- *INRA / CNRS*
- *Deutsche Krebshilfe*
- *Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften*
- *Paracelsus Medizinische Privatuniversität*
- *Scottish Government Research Committee*

Supervision of external PhD students

- Member of the selection committee of the International PhD Program of the DKFZ
- Member of the selection committee of the International Graduate School in Molecular Medicine, University of Ulm
- External Member of 8 PhD Thesis Advisory Committees