

Curriculum Vitae

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Main Research Interests

My laboratory has a long-standing interest in understanding signaling pathways involved in hematopoiesis, leukemogenesis and NK biology, particularly the role of JAK-STAT signaling in cancer and NK cells. In addition, we have been pioneering recent work on role of the cell cycle kinase CDK6 as transcriptional regulator. We use a broad range of methods and technologies to tackle these questions, ranging from cell and molecular biology techniques using murine and human cells, mouse genetics, leukemia models as well as primary clinical patient material. Hence, we not only perform basic research, but also translational medicine within the field of comparative molecular medicine.

Scientific Education & Career History:

2010	Head of Institute of Pharmacology and Toxicology, Veterinary University of Vienna
2007	Professor for „Signal transduction and molecular targeted therapies“ at the Medical University of Vienna
2002	Medical specialist for Pharmacology and Toxicology – “Facharzt “
2001	Venia Docendi of Pharmacology and Toxicology (Titel: “Signaling pathways involved in growth and transformation”) Extraordinary University Professor for Pharmacology and Toxicology
1998 – 2000	Postdoctoral fellowship, Dept. Biochemistry, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Labor von Prof. James N. Ihle, Memphis, TN
1996 – 1998	Erwin-Schrödinger-Stipendium/postdoctoral fellowship of the FWF, Dept. Tumor Cell Biology, Labor Prof. Charles J. Sherr, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Memphis, TN
1996	Short term fellowship of three months at the laboratory of James Roberts, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle, USA
1992 – 1996	Research Associate, Institute of Pharmacology at the University of Vienna
1992	Doctor’s degree (MD)
1991 – 1992	Voluntary dissertation at the Vienna General Hospital: “Characterization and in vitro sensitivity testing of a tumor of unknown origin”
1989 - 1992	Scholarship for extraordinarily success (“Leistungsstipendium”)
1984 - 1992	Study of Medicine at the University of Vienna

Experience in Scientific Management and Organization & Student Supervision

2014 – 2017	PI for the Translational Training Program in Hematology (TRTH) organized by EHA and the American Society of Hematology (ASH)
2017	Co-organizer EMBO meeting: Cell death, inflammation and cancer, Obergurgl

Austria

Supervision of Doctoral (PhD) Thesis Students (past five years – 17 since 2002)

Wolfgang Warsch - PhD Student 2008-2012

“JAK2-STAT5 signaling in BCR-ABL+ leukemia“

Eva Maria Putz - PhD Student 2007-2013

“IFNAR1 & STAT1-S727 in NK cell functions“

Angelika Berger - PhD Student 2009-2015

“Stat5 upstream kinases”

Ruth Scheicher - PhD Student 2010-2015

“The role of Cdk6 and JunB in Erythropoiesis and Leukemogenesis”

Dagmar Gotthardt - PhD Student 2011-2016

“The Role of Stat3 in NK cell development and function”

Florian Bellutti - PhD Student 2012-2016

“CDK6 in hematopoietic stem cell homeostasis”

Eva Grundschober - PhD Student 2012-ongoing

“JAK2/STAT5 in leukemogenesis”

Ingeborg Menzl - PhD Student 2013-ongoing

“Linking cell cycle kinases to STAT”

Leo Edlinger - PhD Student 2013-ongoing

“STAT5 transcription factors and serine phosphorylation”

Sofie Nebenführ - PhD Student 2016-ongoing

“CDK6 and its interactors”

Daniela Prinz - PhD Student 2016-ongoing

“NKG2D in tumor surveillance”

Invited Conference Lectures (5 recent selected)

- 2017.-Second AACR Conference on Hematologic Malignancies: Translating Discoveries to Novel Therapies, Boston, MA, USA
- 2016 - Keystone Symposia Colorado, USA
- 2016 - Kloster Seeon Meeting PCCC, Seeon, GER
- 2016 - Symposium: Translational Immunology, From Target to Therapy, Würzburg, GER
- 2016 - Dotan Hematological conference, Tel Aviv, ISR
- 2014 - Plenary speaker PCM2014 Meeting of Paracoccidioides & Mycoses, Brasilia, BRA
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Honors & Awards

- 2003 – 2005 - Award for Innovative Interdisciplinary Cancer Research, Vienna Fund
- 2004 - Billroth-Award of the Austrian Medical Association
- 2005 - Novartis Prize for Medicine
- 2006 - Alois Sonnleitner Prize of the Austrian Academy of Science (ÖAW)
- 2008 - Großer zentraleuropäischer Preis des Fonds der Stadt Wien für innovative interdisziplinäre Krebsforschung
- 2016 - ERC advanced grant

Most Member of Reviewing Panels, Editorial Boards, Scientific Organizations:

2000 – date Ad hoc referee for scientific journals and funding agencies including Nature, Blood, JCI

2006 – date European Academy of Sciences - Member

2012 – 2015 Member of the European Hematology Association (EHA) Fellowships and Grants Committee

2013 – 2018	Elected Member of the Supervisory Board of the Medical University of Vienna “Unirat”
2014 – date	Austrian delegate for EMBO/EMBL
2015 – date	Editorial Board Member for Blood
2015 – 2019	Member of the EHA Board
since 2016	Elected as Chair of the Senate of the University for Veterinary Medicine Vienna
2016	Elected as Corresponding Member of the Austrian Academy of Science

Important Research Funding (covering last 5 years)

- 2008-2014, WWTF - FACS typing for therapy response - 654 k€
- 2008-2016, FWF – Jak-Stat Signaling in Leukemia – 1.100 k€
- 2012-2017, FWF – Uncoupling CDK6 from p16INK4A – 455 k€
- 2012-2020, FWF - Doctoral program Inflammation and Immunity - 600 k€
- 2013-2020, FWF - Myeloproliferative Neoplasien – 800 k€
- 2016-2019, FWF - CDK8 in NK cells - 450 k€
- 2016-2020, ERC-advanced grant - CDK6 in leukemia – 2.500 k€
- 2017-2020, FWF - JAK-STAT signaling - 400 k€

Key International Collaborators (selection of 5 with joint publications since 2012)

- **Tony Green** University Cambridge, UK arg1000@cam.ac.uk
- **Stefan Fröhling** Nationales Centrum für Tumorerkrankungen Heidelberg, GER stefan.froehling@nct-heidelberg.de
- **Marcos Malumbres** Centro National de Investigaciones Oncológicas ,Madrid, ESP malumbres@cnio.es
- **Todd Fehniger** Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, USA tfehnige@wustl.edu
- **Andreas Diefenbach** Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, GER diefenbach@uni-mainz.de

List of Publications (2012 - 2017)

Overall, has published more than **110** publications with a cumulative IF of around yx . Based on Google Scholar the publications received more than **xy** citations, with a current life-time Hirsch **h Index** of zzzz

1. Hantschel O, Warsch W, Eckelhart E, Kaupe I, Grebien F, Wagner KU, Superti-Furga G, **Sexl V**. BCR-ABL uncouples canonical JAK2-STAT5 signaling in chronic myeloid leukemia. **Nat Chem Biol.** 2012 Jan 29;8(3):285-93. doi: 10.1038/nchembio.775.
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3. Putz EM, Schuster C, **Sexl V**. Bcl-2: Live and let die. **Oncolimmunology.** 2012 Aug 1;1(5):749-750.
4. Kernbauer E, Maier V, Stoiber D, Strobl B, Schneckenleithner C, **Sexl V**, Reichtart U, Reizis B, Kalinke U, Jamieson A, Müller M, Decker T. Conditional Stat1 Ablation Reveals the Importance of Interferon Signaling for Immunity to *Listeria monocytogenes* Infection. **PLoS Pathog.** 2012;8(6):e1002763. doi: 10.1371/journal.ppat.1002763. Epub 2012 Jun 14.
5. Hassler MR, Klisaroska A, Kollmann K, Steiner I, Bilban M, Schiefer AI, **Sexl V**, Egger G. Antineoplastic activity of the DNA methyltransferase inhibitor 5-aza-2'-deoxycytidine in anaplastic large cell lymphoma. **Biochimie.** 2012 Nov;94(11):2297-307. doi: 10.1016/j.biochi.2012.05.029. Epub 2012 Jun 9.
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7. Mizutani T, Neugebauer N, Putz EM, Moritz N, Simma O, Zebedin-Brandl E, Gotthardt D, Warsch W, Eckelhart E, Kantner HP, Kalinke U, Lienenklaus S, Weiss S, Strobl B, Müller M **Sexl V**, Stoiber D. Conditional IFNAR1 ablation reveals distinct requirements of type I IFN signaling for NK cell maturation and tumor surveillance. **Oncolimmunology.** 2012 Oct 1;1(7):1027-1037.
8. Laimer D, Dolznig H, Kollmann K, Vesely PW, Schleiderer M, Merkel O, Schiefer AI, Hassler MR, Heider S, Amenitsch L, Thallinger C, Staber PB, Simonitsch-Klupp I, Artaker M, Lagger S, Turner SD, Pileri S, Piccaluga PP, Valent P, Messana K, Landra I, Weichhart T, Knapp S, Shehata M, Todaro M, **Sexl V**, Höfler G, Piva R, Medico E, Ruggeri BA, Cheng M, Eferl R, Egger G, Penninger JM, Jaeger U, Moriggl R, Inghirami G, Kenner L. PDGFR blockade is a rational and effective therapy for NPM-ALK-driven lymphomas. **Nat Med.** 2012 Nov;18(11):1699-704. doi: 10.1038/nm.2966. Epub 2012 Oct 14.
9. Warsch W, Grundschober E, Berger A, Gille L, Cerny-Reiterer S, Tigan AS, Hoelbl-Kovacic A, Valent P, Moriggl R, **Sexl V**. STAT5 triggers BCR-ABL1 mutation by mediating ROS production in chronic myeloid leukaemia. **Oncotarget.** 2012 Dec;3(12):1669-87
10. Prchal-Murphy M, Putz EM, Freissmuth M, **Sexl V**, Zebedin-Brandl E. Targeting P13K δ : One man's meat is another man's poison. **Oncolimmunology.** 2013 Jan 1;2(1):e22272.
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12. Huang J, Das SK, Jha P, Al Zoughbi W, Scher S, Claudel T, **Sexl V**, Vesely P, Birner-Gruenberger R, Kratky D, Trauner M, Hoefler G. The PPAR α agonist fenofibrate suppresses B-cell lymphoma in mice by modulating lipid metabolism. **Biochim Biophys Acta.** 2013 Oct;1831(10):1555-65. doi: 10.1016/j.bbapap.2013.04.012. Epub 2013 Apr 26.
13. Koromilas, AE; **Sexl, V**. The tumor suppressor function of STAT1 in breast cancer. **JAKSTAT.** 2013 Apr 1;2(2):e23353

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16. Putz EM, Gotthardt D, Hoermann G, Csiszar A, Wirth S, Berger A, Straka E, Rigler D, Wallner B, Jamieson AM, Pickl WF, Zebedin-Brandl EM, Müller M, Decker T, **Sexl V**. CDK8-mediated STAT1-S727 phosphorylation restrains NK cell cytotoxicity and tumor surveillance. **Cell Rep**. 2013 Aug 15;4(3):437-44. doi: 10.1016/j.celrep.2013.07.012. Epub 2013 Aug 8.
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19. Kollmann K, **Sexl V**. CDK6 and p16INK4A in lymphoid malignancies. **Oncotarget**. 2013 Nov;4(11):1858-9.
20. Richter K, Perriard G, Behrendt R, Schwendener R, **Sexl V**, Dunn R, Kamanaka M, Flavell R, Roers A, Oxenius A. Macrophage an T Cell Produced IL-10 Promotes Viral Chronicity. **PLoS Pathog**. 2013;9(11):e1003735. doi: 10.1371/journal.ppat.1003735. Epub 2013 Nov 7.
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- Mayerhofer M. CD52 is a molecular target in advanced systemic mastocytosis. **FASEB J.** 2014 Aug;28(8):3540-51. doi: 10.1096/fj.14-250894. Epub 2014 Apr 23.
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