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Professional Data

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Professional Development and Status

School, Medical Training

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| 1971-1978 | Study Medicine
Justus-Liebig-Universität, Gießen |
| 1978 | Medical Exam
Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen |
| 1978 | Approbation |
| 1978 -1980 | Surgical Pathology , Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen
Prof. Dr. J. Kracht |
| 1980 | Dissertation and Doctoral Degree at Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen
Prof. Dr. Ch. Müller-Eckhardt
<i>Immungenetische und -serologische Untersuchungen zum Vorkommen des Antigen HLA-B12 auf menschlichen Thrombozyten</i> |
| 1980 -1982 | DFG-Grant/Postdoctoral Training
Professor Dr. Charles Heidelberger
Dept Basic Research at LAC/USC Cancer Center, Los Angeles/USA
Carcinogenesis, 5-FU Development, Drug Testing |
| 1982 -1987 | Surgical Training
Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen |

- 1987- 12/01 **Department General Surgery
University Hospital Ulm**
Director: Prof. Dr. H.G. Beger
- 1989 **Qualifying Exam „Surgeon“**
- 1991-12/01 **Senior Surgeon**
Department General Surgery, University of Ulm
- 1994 **Habilitation/Thesis at University of Ulm**
Chemosensitivity Testing for Optimization of Regional Chemotherapy of solid Tumors; Basic Research and Clinical Application
- 1994 **Venia Legendi**
- 1995 **Qualification as „Visceral Surgeon“**
- 1996-2000 **Deputy Director and Management of Ulm Cancer Center**
- 2001 **Professor of Surgery, Univ.Ulm**
- 1998-12/01 **Director Surgical Oncology**
Department General- and Visceral Surgery, University Hospital Ulm
- 1999-12/01 **Deputy Director**
Department General- and Visceral Surgery, University Hospital Ulm
- 1999-12/01 **Head Senior Surgeon and Board of Directors**
Surgical Center, University Hospital Ulm
- since 2002 **Director**
Surgical Center and
Asklepios Tumortreatment Center Rhein/Main (ATC)
Asklepios Paulinen Klinik, Wiesbaden
- 2003 **Doctor honoris causa, Univ.Yangzhou, China**

Personalia

- Board of Directors and Chief Secretary, Visceral Surgical Cooperation for Surgical Oncology, German Society of Surgery (CAO-V)
- Board of Directors Colon- and Rectal cancer Group CAO-V
- Board of Directors Convent Leading Hospital Surgeons, Germany (KLK)
- Head Working Group "Quality/Case Load Colon- and Rectal Cancer KLK"
- Cofounder and President International Colon and Rectal Cancer Club (ICRCC)
- President, Board of Directors, Cancer Society Hessen (Hessische Krebsgesellschaft e. V.)
- Board of Directors Cancer Society Baden-Württemberg eV. (-12/2001)
- Member German S3-Guide Line Committees Colon-and Rectal Cancer, and Pancreatic Cancer
- Member Structural Commission for Bowel Cancer Centers, German Cancer Society

- Organization/Coorganization of many national/international meetings
- Guest surgeon at many international universities
- Visiting Professor Tel Aviv University and Nanjing University

Memberships

- European Society of Surgical Oncology (ESSO)
- American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)
- German Society for Digestive Diseases (DGVS)
- International Colorectal Cancer Club (ICRCC)
- German Society of Surgery (DGC)
- German Society of General and Visceral Surgery (DGAV)
- German Cancer Society (DKG)
- Konvent Leading Hospital Surgeons (KLK)
- International Society for Regional Cancer Therapy (ISRCT)
- Visceral Surgical Society for Oncology (CAO-V)
- CAO-V Group Peritoneal Disease
- CAO-V Group Colon Cancer
- Working Group Regional Tumorthrapy (ART)
- Cancer Society Hessen

Other Memberships

- Member Charles Heidelberger Group und des Charles Heidelberger Award Committee: J.S. Bertram (Honolulu, USA), P.V. Danenberg (Los Angeles, USA), E. Huberman (Argonne, USA), P. Jones (Los Angeles, USA), K.H. Link (Ulm), E. Mihich (Buffalo, USA), J. Kubota (Yokohama, Japan), T. Kuroki (Tokyo, Japan)
- International Advisory Board of International Conferences on Anti-Cancer Treatment (ICACT, Paris, Universities Paris/SOMPS and MD Anderson Cancer Centers)
- Member of the International Scientific Advisory Community. 4th International Conference of the Asian Clinical Oncology Society (ACOS) 1999
- Honorary member Chilean Society of Surgery
- Krementz Award Committee, ICRCT 91/93/95/97
- Contemporary Member consensus conference Multimodal Treatment of Colon and Rectal Cancer
- Board Member of Milan Consensus Conference on Peritoneal Carcinosis Treatment Programs 2007
- Editorial Boards "Langenbeck's Archives of Surgery", "Clinical Colorectal Cancer", "J Gastrointestinal Surgery", "Onkologie (contemp.)"
- Speaker Medical Board Asklepios Surgical Departments (more than 80 Hospitals)

AWARDS

June 1989 **Edward Krementz Award** for best scientific presentation, IV. ICRCT 1989
 K.H. Link, L. Staib, H.G. Beger: *Influence of exposure concentration and -time (CxT) in drug toxicity to HT29 colorectal carcinoma cells*

- Februar 1993 **ICACG Poster Awards**
4th International Congress on Anti-Cancer Chemotherapy, Paris
M. Hummel, D. Kindler, K.H. Link, M. Büchler: *In vitro treatment studies on two newly established pancreatic carcinoma cell lines PMH 2/89 and PMH 3/89*
- September 1991 **Poster Award Mittelrheinischer Chirurgen**
78. Meeting Society Mittelrheinischer Chirurgen, Luxemburg
L. Staib, K.H. Link, M. Büchler: *Immunmodulation des Pankreas- und Kolonkarzinoms in vitro: Wirksamkeit von spezifischen monoklonalen Antikörpern und GM-CSF.*
- November 2000 **Research and Development Award 2000**
Cancer Society Baden-Württemberg e.V., Stuttgart
Arbeitsgruppe Psychosoziale Versorgung von Patienten mit gastrointestinalen Tumoren:
Therapieentscheidung in der Onkologie: Mitwirkung von Patienten am Entscheidungsprozess in Abhängigkeit vom Therapieansatz und Verlauf

Decision making in oncology: Inclusion of the patient's wishes.
- December 2000 **"Best Paper of the Year" in the highly rated Journal "Cancer"**
- April 2001 **Schouder Award Lecture, Sackler School of Medicine, Tel Aviv University**
- November 2003 **Oscar Schubert Award and Lecture, Swedish Society of Surgery/Stockholm**

International Work

- 1980-1982 **Prof. Dr. C. Heidelberger** at USC Los Angeles, USA
DFG-Grant:
Postdoctoral work on mutagenesis/carcinogenesis with cellcultures and nude mice
- Juli 1984 **Prof. Dr. D. Morton, Dr. D. Kern** at John Wayne Cancer Center/UCLA USA
Prof. Dr. P. Danenberg at USC Cancer Center Los Angeles, USA
Concentration-Response Studies with Fluoropyrimidines and the H3-Thymidin-Soft Agar Assay.
- 1995 **Prof.P.Sugarbaker** at Washington Hospital Cancer Center
Peritonectomy/Hyperthermic Abdominal Perfusion
- März 1998 **Prof. Dr. S. Fujimoto**, Direktor Dept.Surgery, Social Insurance Funabashi, Central Hospital, Funabashi, Tokyo, Japan
Gastrectomy with hyperthermic peritoneal perfusion
Prof. Dr. T. Mori, Direktor Dept. GI/Colorectal Surgery, Metropolitan Komagome Hospital, Tokyo, Japan
Anterior rectum resection with lateral plexuspreserving lymphnode dissection
Prof. Dr. O. Ishikawa, Dept. Surgical Oncology, Osaka Medical Center for Cancer and Cardiovascular Disease, Osaka, Japan
Pancreatic cancer surgery

August 1999 Sept. 1999	Prof. Dr. H. Bismuth , Hepatobiliary Center, Hospital Paul Brousse, Universität Paris, Frankreich <i>Liver resection and transplantation, multimodal therapy of liver tumors</i>
Oktober 2000	Prof. Dr. Ji , Surgical University Hospital Nanjing, Southeast University, Nanjing, China German-Chinese Surgical Week Scientific exchange and operations
December 2003	Prof. Dr. Ji , Surgical University and Rich Hospital Nantong, Yanzhou University, China. Scientific and management exchanges

Major Achievements

1. Clinically: Prolongation of survival and cure rates in patients with colon-, rectal, and pancreatic cancer. Downstaging and curative resection of primarily nonresectable liver tumors. Improvement of response and, potentially, survival by individualizing chemotherapy using PCR techniques and cell cultures. Foundation and leadership of the national interdisciplinary working group "Forschungsgruppe Onkologie Gastrointestinale Tumoren (FOGT)"; conduction of the 2 largest German trials on multimodal therapy in colon and rectal cancer. Major contributions to "Quality control in colon and rectal cancer surgery".
2. Professionally: Nationally and internationally active and recognized as Surgical Oncologist and Visceral Surgeon. More than 140 chairmanships; memberships in organizing and selection committees in national/international Scientific Meetings. Organization of workshops and regular international meetings (BIC) on pancreatic surgery and colorectal surgery.
3. Communication: Organisation of national- and international meetings with participation of most renowned researchers in their fields: Colon- and Rectal Cancer, Pancreatic Cancer, Gastrointestinal Cancers, Liver Tumors and other visceral diseases.
4. Publications: More than 300 publications, numerous in nationally/internationally journals of high impact (Ann Surg, Arch Surg, Lancet, Cancer Research, Clinical Cancer Research, Cancer, Langenbeck's Arch Surg, World J Surgery, Eur J Surg Oncol, Chirurg, etc.). Edition/Coedition of 5 Books.
5. Presentations: More than 450 presentations, many of them in highly recognized national/international meetings; numerous review talks on Oncologic or Visceral Surgical Topics.

6. Surgery: More than 7500 visceral surgical procedures. Surgical training with one of the nationally (z.B.Fokusliste) and internationally most renowned pancreatic/visceral surgeon (Prof.Dr.H.G.Beger).
7. Recommended Member Focusliste (German List of Excellence in Oncological Treatment) for Surgery of Colon- and Rectal Cancer, and of Pancreatic Cancer.
8. Managment: Cancer Center, University Hospital-Surgical Department and Center; Surgical Center and ATC at APK in Wiesbaden, Large Bowel Cancer Center ATC Wiesbaden.