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Physicist

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Personal details

Year of birth: 1962
Place of birth: Arad, Romania
Residence: Göttingen
Nationality: German

Education and training

1981 – 1984 Study of physics in Heidelberg (degree: Diploma)
1990/1996 Doctorate and habilitation at the University of Heidelberg, Germany

Professional / Scientific career

1991 – 1993 Postdoctoral researcher, EMBL, Light Microscopy Group, Heidelberg, Germany
1993 – 1996 Postdoctoral researcher, Department of Medical Physics, University of Turku (Finland)
1994 Scanning Optical Microscopy Group, Department of Engineering Science, Oxford (UK)
Since 2002 Scientific member and director at the Max Planck Institute for Multidisciplinary Sciences, Göttingen, Germany
Head of the department „NanoBiophotonik“
2003 – 2017 Adjunct professor, Faculty of Physics at the University of Heidelberg, Germany
Since 2004 Honorary professor for experimental physics at the University of Göttingen, Germany
2011/2012 Co-founder and shareholder of abberior GmbH and abberior Instruments GmbH, Göttingen, Germany
2014 Nobel Prize in Chemistry

Focal activities and experience

- Research and development
- Corporate development
- Sustainability