## Academic curriculum vitae – Monika Schmoll

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Austria **Nationality** 

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#### Summary of track record

Publications (books, reviews, articles in peer reviewed journals) 92 (Co-)Editor ship on books 4 Book chapters 12 Invited reviews 12 Total impact factor of publications (2020) >450

Total citations (Scopus/Google Scholar) 6169 (in 3653 articles)/9443

Average citation per item (Scopus/Google Scholar) 61.4/91.1 h-index (Scopus/Google Scholar) 36/41

### **Professional Experience**

2019, March	Chairperson of the concurrent session "Circadian rhythms and photobiology" at the 30 <sup>th</sup> Fungal Genetics Conference, Asilomar, Pacific Grove, CA, USA
2018, September 2017, March	Scientific committee member of the 10th ÖGMBT Annual Meeting 2018, Vienna, Austria Chairperson of plenary session "Sensing and Signaling: Perception of the Complex World in which Fungi Thrive or Survive" at the 29 <sup>th</sup> Fungal Genetics Conference, Asilomar, Pacific Grove, CA, USA
2016, Nov. <b>2015-2019 -</b>	Scientific committee member of the 14 <sup>th</sup> International Trichoderma Meeting, Nagpur, India Board member of the Austrian Association for Research Integrity ( <u>www.oeawi.at/en</u> ); since 2017 Vice Chair of the Board
2013, April	Promotion to Senior Scientist at AIT, Tulln
2013, March	Habilitation in the field of "Molecular genetics and genomics"
2012, Nov -	Group leader at the AIT (Austrian Institute of Technology), UFT Tulln
2011, July	Chairperson of the session "Fungal Genetics and Genomics" at the Annual World congress of Microbes, July 30 – August 1, Beijing, China
2008, SepOct.	Guest researcher with Prof. N. Louise Glass, Plant and Microbial Biology Department, University of California, Berkeley
2008, April	Chairperson of Symposium 6, Regulation of Gene Expression at the 9th European Conference on Fungal Genetics, Edinburgh, UK (together with Mark Caddick)
2007-2012	Group leader in the Research Area Gene Technology and Applied Biochemistry, Vienna University of Technology.
April 2006	Member of the local organizing committee for the 8th European Conference on Fungal Genetics (ECFG8), April 8 – 11, Vienna, Austria  Member of the local organizing committee for the First European <i>Neurospora</i> Meeting (Satellite Meeting of the ECFG8), April 8th, Vienna, Austria
2005, Sept.	Chairperson of this Meeting (together with L. Corrochano, University of Sevilla)  Guest researcher at the Dipartimento di Protezione delle Piante, University degli Studi di

2003, Sept.	Sassari, Sassari, Italy Guest researcher at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and University of Szeged, Microbiological Research Group, Szeged, Hungary Guest researcher at the Dipartimento di Biotecnologie, Cellulari Ed Ematologia, Sezione di Genetica Moleculare, Universita' di Roma "La Sapienzia", Italy
Education	
2003	Ph. D. (with distinction) at the Vienna University of Technology on "Regulation of cellulase expression and signal transduction in the filamentous fungus <i>Hypocrea jecorina</i>
1999	( <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> )"; date: march 25 <sup>th</sup> Master degree at the Vienna University of Technology; date: june 28 <sup>th</sup>
Fellowships	
2004 – 2006 2006, May - Dec	Postdoctoral fellow with FWF (Austrian Science Fund) -Project P17325-B12 as PI Project with industry partner BASF, Ludwigshafen, Germany "Production and secretion of heterologous proteins with <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> "

# Funding - current (total acquired funding sum since 2007 : 4 211 000 EUR)

Recent and ongoing	projects
2017 - 2021	<b>Project leader</b> NFB life sciences research project on "Chemical communication in fungi" (sum: 277 000 EUR)
2018 - 2022	<b>Project leader</b> with FWF stand alone project "Posttranscriptional regulation in <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> " (sum: 390252 EUR)
2019 - 2023	<b>Project leader</b> with FWF standalone project "Missing links in signal transduction in <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> " (sum 404 000EUR)
2021 – 2025	<b>Project leader</b> FFG BRIDGE Project "Disruptive production technology to debottleneck application of fungal organisms in agriculture" (sum 422.406 EUR; abandoned)
2021 – 2025	Project partner EU Marie Curie RISE project "Mycobiomics" (sum 32200 EUR; abandoned)

### Relevant industrial collaboration

Of the above mentioned sum, 240 000 EUR were contributed by one 2-year project and one short term project funded by industry in the field of enzyme biotechnology (partners and topic confidential due to contractual obligation).

### Academic teaching and supervision

Since 2004	Principal advisor of 8 Bachelor students, 18 Master students, 12 PhD students and 4 Postdocs at TU Vienna and AIT
since 2013	Regular supervision of FEMtech internships (1-6 months, 4 Bachelor thesis, 8 Master thesis and 16 internships) for female "talents for science"
2004 - 2012	Various lab courses for undergraduate students (2 – 6 weeks) dealing with selected topics of the ongoing research projects
2004 - 2012	Lectures "Molecular physiology of fungi" and "Genetics and industrial genomics" Lab courses "Protein chemistry", "Biochemistry 2" and "Biotechnology 2" Participation in the educational program FIT "Frauen in die Technik", which intends to encourage young women to start a technical education
2009 - 2018	Participation in "Lange Nacht der Forschung" and "Open days" showing extraction of DNA from diverse vegetables using predominantly household materials and chemicals to pupils, students and the interested public
2009 - 2012 2020-	Member of the female junior faculty for the "AB-Tech" PhD-program Lecture and exercise "Writing and assessing scientific publications" (VU, 2.5 ECTS); Lecture on "Microbial signaling pathways in biotechnology" (VO, 1.5 ECTS)

#### Experience as a publisher (editorial functions) and functions in societies

2018 -	Editorial Board member of "Frontiers in Microbiology" and "Frontiers in Fungal Biology"
2015 -	Member of the EUROFUNG consortium
2015-2019	Board member of the Austrian Association for Research Integrity (www.oeawi.at/en)
	since 2017 Vice Chair of the board
2012 -	Member of the Editorial Board of "Applied and Environmental Microbiology", and "PLoS
	ONE"; Senior Editor of "Fungal Biology and Biotechnology"
2011	Management committee member of COST action FP0602 "Biotechnology for lignocellulose
	biorefineries"

#### Reviewer assignments for journals and funding bodies (selection)

Nature Communications	NSF, National Science Fund, USA
Applied and Environmental Microbiology	BSF, Israel Binational Science Foundation
Molecular Microbiology	STW, Technology Foundation, The Netherlands
BMC Genomics	EU project evaluations (incl. onsite reviews in Brussels)
PLoS Genetics, PLoS ONE	Genome BC (Canada)

### Continuing education (courses and trainings)

Project management (2 parts)	Bioinformatics with Galaxy (1 week trainings)
Privacy awareness and DSGVO	EU Project writing skills (FFG; different trainings – ERC
Controlling intense (1 d)	Advanced Grant, Marie Curie ITN, general training etc)
Difficult conversational situations training (3 d)	Business development training (tecnet, 2 parts)
Contract knowhow for non-jurists (2 d)	IP Protection (1 d)

#### **Awards**

APART fellowship of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW; 2007-2009)

Young group leader presentation ÖGMBT 2010 Science award of the state of Lower Austria 2013

Recognized as World Expert in Fungal Gene Expression Regulation (expertscape.com) 2021

### **International Collaborations (selection)**

Antonio di Pietro (University of Cordoba, Spain)	Chemotropic responses of <i>Trichoderma</i> to carbon sources and plants
Joseph Strauss (BOKU University, Austria)	Epigenetic regulation in Trichoderma reesei
Ting-Fang Wang (Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan)	Molecular mechanisms in sexual development of Trichoderma reesei
Scott E. Baker (Pacific Northwest National Laboratories, Richland, USA)	Sexual development and female sterility in <i>Trichoderma</i> reesei; Circadian rhythmicity in <i>Trichoderma</i>
Marc Stadler (HZI Braunschweig, Germany)	Secondary metabolite identification of <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> , production of secondary metabolites in fungi

### Invited Keynote lectures at international conferences and selected invited talks

M. Schmoll (2020) How *Trichoderma reesei* interacts with its environment – carbon sensing, chemical communication and epigenetics. Invited keynote lecture; 16<sup>th</sup> International Workshop of Trichoderma and Gliocladium (TG2020), March, Guanajuato, Mexico (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic)

M. Schmoll (2019) **Understanding signal transduction and gene regulation to optimize enzyme production in** *Trichoderma reesei*; invited talk at the IV International Congress of Science, Technology and Innovation and Annual Meeting of Scientific Initiation of UNIPAR (Universidade Paranaense), Oct. 24th, Umuarama, Paraná, Brazil

- M. Schmoll (2019) **Sexual development and plant sensing in** *Trichoderma reesei* how a fungus optimizes adaptation to its habitat; invited seminar talk at at the Institute of Molecular Biology, Sept. 27th , Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan
- M. Schmoll (2019) **Understanding the life of** *Trichoderma reesei*; invited seminar talk at Novozymes, Davis, CA, USA, March 18th
- M. Schmoll (2018) *Trichoderma reesei* a biotechnological workhorse from the fermentor to the **environment and back**; invited talk at the International Workshop on Multifunctional Agriculture Management and Utilization of Bioresources, Nov. 18 20; Northwest A&F University Yangling, Shaanxi, China
- M. Schmoll (2017) **Sensing of plants, microbes and nutrients by** *Trichoderma*; Keynote at the Special Symposium on "Microbial Antagonists and their role in biological control of plant diseases", October 5-7, Anand (Gujarat), India
- M. Schmoll (2017) Environmental signaling in *Trichoderma reesei* and its relevance for industrial applications; invited talk at Dupont, March 9th, Palo Alto, CA, USA
- M. Schmoll (2014) Environmental signaling in *Trichoderma reesei* and its use for bioprocess optimization; invited keynote lecture; 13<sup>th</sup> International Workshop of Trichoderma and Gliocladium (TG2014), October 19 23, Shanghai, China
- M. Schmoll (2012) **Environmental sensing and its regulation in** *Trichoderma reesei* (*Hypocrea jecorina*), invited Keynote Lecture at the 12<sup>th</sup> International *Trichoderma* and *Gliocladium* Workshop, August 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, Christchurch, New Zealand.

### Achievements relevant beyond my own research field

- 1. Has shown regulation of cellulase gene expression by light and photoreceptors in *T. reesei*.
- 2. Has achieved sexual development under laboratory conditions for *T. reesei*, which had been considered asexual for decades.
- 3. Has discovered and characterized the novel class of h-type peptide pheromone precursors in fungi, which harbour characteristics of a-type and alpha-type peptide pheromone precursors and assume a-type function in *T. reesei*.
- 4. Has introduced posttranscriptional regulation of cellulase gene expression in *T. reesei* in contrast to the previous dogma that cellulases are regulated exclusively at the transcriptional level.
- 5. Has elucidated the function of fungal class XIII G-protein coupled receptors to be in glucose sensing, which is essential for posttranscriptional regulation of enzyme expression.
- 6. Has shown that due to an amino acid shift in the photoreceptor ENV1 *T. reesei* integrates stress response with light signaling and that this function is conserved in Hypocreales, in contrast to other fungilike *Neurospora crassa*.
- 7. Has shown that the uptake of sulphate is dependent on the light status upon growth on cellulose, but not glucose and that it is essential for growth in light.
- 8. Has discovered that chemical communication between fungi beyond pheromone response changes upon recognition of a mating partner and is required for successful sexual development.
- 9. Has shown that the functions of the heterotrimeric G-protein pathway in fungi are dependent on light.
- 10. Has shown that carbon catabolite repression influences secondary metabolite production in a light dependent manner and hence constitutes a link between carbon and secondary metabolism in fungi.