

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

1977 – 1984	Grammar School, Preschool (Lincroft and Oakhurst, New Jersey, USA)
1985 – 1993	High school (Kantonsschule Sargans, St. Gallen, Switzerland)
1993 – 1999	Bachelor and Master of Medicine (University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland)
2000	Doctoral Thesis: <i>"Assessment of Postoperative Sequelae on Children after Adenotonsillectomy and Adenoidectomy."</i> (Prof. Dr. med. Fisch and Prof. Dr. med. Holzmann, Department of Otorhinolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, University Hospital Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland)

Professional Activities and Career

01/2000 – 02/2001	Residency in Internal Medicine (Department of Internal Medicine, Spital Davos, Davos, Switzerland)
03/2001 – 12/2001	Residency in Ophthalmology (Department of Ophthalmology, Cantonal Hospital Aarau, Aarau, Switzerland)
01/2002 – 06/2002	Residency in Otorhinolaryngology (Department of Otorhinolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, Cantonal Hospital St. Gallen, St. Gallen, Switzerland)
07/2002 – 02/2006	Residency in Ophthalmology (Department of Ophthalmology, University Hospital Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland)
08/2005 – 11/2005	Anterior Segment Surgical Fellowship (Department of Ophthalmology, Institute Oftalmo Salud, Lima, Peru)
03/2006 – 07/2007	Consultant in General Ophthalmology (Department of Ophthalmology, University Hospital Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland)
07/2007 – 06/2008	Clinical and Research Fellowship in Anterior Segment Disorders (Save Sight Institute and Sydney Eye Hospital, Sydney, Australia)
08/2008 – 07/2010	Consultant in Anterior Segment Disorders (Department of Ophthalmology, University Hospital Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland)
07/2010 – 09/2013	Consultant and Head of the Cornea Department and Eye-banking (Department of Ophthalmology, University Hospital Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland)
2011 – today	Honorary Reseacher
10/2013 – 2018	Senior Consultant in Anterior Segment Disorders (Vista Diagnostics, Zurich, Switzerland)
11/2013 – today	Medical Director St. Lucy foundation

05/2014 – today	Co-Owner and Co-Director Augenpraxis Centerpassage (Wettingen, Switzerland)
04/2020 – today	Co-Owner and Co-Director Augenklinik Wettingen (formerly known as Augenpraxis Centerpassage, Wettingen, Switzerland)
07/2020 – today	Co-Owner and Co-Director Chirurgie Wettingen (Wettingen, Switzerland)
05/2021	Scientific Co-leader and Founder of Update Refresher for Swiss Ophthalmologists 1 for FOMF (Zurich, Switzerland)
11/2021 – today	Co-Owner and Co-Director Augenklinik Baden (Baden, Switzerland)
01/2022 – today	Acquisition, Co-Owner and Co-Director Augenpraxis Etzelmatt (formerly known as Praxis Dr. von Büren, Wettingen, Switzerland)
05/2022	Scientific Co-Founder of the ophthalmology conference hosted by FOMF: Update Refresher for Swiss Ophthalmologists (Zurich, Switzerland)
04/2023	SIWF status C1 and D2 (enables the teaching of residents and surgical fellows within the private practice setting)
05/2023	Scientific Co-Chair of the Update Refresher in Ophthalmology
10/2023 – today	Founder and scientific Chair of the yearly conference “Ophtha Skills Day” for Swiss Ophthalmologists hosted by the Augenklinik Baden, Wettingen (Baden, Switzerland)
12/2025 – today	Co-CMO and Co-Owner Ärztegemeinschaft Gutblick AG

Memberships

Since 2005	FMH Swiss Medical Association
Since 2021	European Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery
Since 2014	Swiss Society of Ophthalmology

Certifications

09/1996	United States Medical Licensing Examination Step 1 (Geneva, Switzerland)
2000	Advanced Cardiac Life Support (Zurich, Switzerland)
2001	Standardized Ocular Ultrasound Course (Vienna, Austria)
2002	Standardized Ocular Ultrasound Course (Bern, Switzerland)
2003	Schober refraction course (Munich, Germany)
2003	Ocular Laser Course (Greifswald, Germany)
03/2003	Basic Science Examination, Optics and Refraction (International Council of Ophthalmology)
2006	Microsurgical Suture Technique Course (Las Vegas, USA)
2006	Microsurgical Anterior and Posterior Segment Course (Regensburg, Germany)
05/2005	Fellow of the European Board of Ophthalmology (Paris, France)
05/2005	FMH Ophthalmology (Bern, Switzerland)
10/2009	United States Medical Licensing Examination Step 2 (Geneva, Switzerland)
01/2009	FMH Ophthalmology (Bern, Switzerland)
10/2011	Venia legendi (University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland)
2011	Certification for Implantable Collamer Lenses – Artisan- (Zurich, Switzerland)
2011	Leadership Course (Zurich, Switzerland)
2015	Certification for Femtolaser-assisted Cataract Surgery (Zurich, Switzerland)

Publications

Please see web site www.augenklinik-wettingen.ch

Publications PD Dr. med. Martina Knecht-Boesch

Original Papers

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3. Treatment of traumatic corneal abrasions: a three-arm, prospective, randomized study.
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4. [Methotrexate treatment in severe chronic ocular graft versus host disease (GvHD)].
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5. Cognitive performance in high-altitude climbers: a comparative study of saccadic eye movements and neuropsychological tests.
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6. Periodic breathing during ascent to extreme altitude quantified by spectral analysis of the respiratory volume signal.
Garde A, Giraldo BF, Jane R, Latshang TD, Turk AJ, Hess T, Bosch MM, Barthelmes D, Hefti JP, Maggiorini M, Hefti U, Merz TM, Schoch OD, Bloch KE.

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7. High altitude retinal hemorrhages--an update.
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10. Interdisciplinary endoscopic assisted surgery of a patient with a complete transorbital intracranial impalement through the dominant hemisphere.
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12. The ocular pulse amplitude at different intraocular pressure: a prospective study.
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 14. Use of intraoperative fourier-domain anterior segment optical coherence tomography during descemet stripping endothelial keratoplasty.
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 15. Nocturnal periodic breathing during acclimatization at very high altitude at Mount Muztagh Ata (7,546 m).
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 18. Changes of coagulation parameters during high altitude expedition.
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N Engl J Med. 2003 Sep 11;349(11):1094-6. doi:
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Medical book chapters

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