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Academic Appointments:

- 1999-2000 Assistant Professor of Hygiene, Free University Berlin
2001-2007 Head, Associate-Professor of Hospital Epidemiology, Division of Hospital Epidemiology, Institute of Medical Microbiology and Hospital Epidemiology, Hannover Medical School, Hannover
2008 - Head Institute of Hygiene and Environmental Medicine, Charité - University Medicine Berlin

Professional Societies

- Society of Health Care Epidemiology of America
European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Hygiene und Mikrobiologie
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Infektiologie

Awards:

- 2003 Main Award Deutsche Gesellschaft für Hygiene und Mikrobiologie
2006 Schülke-Hygiene-Preis
2013 WHO Hand Hygiene Award
2015 Robert Koch-Award for Hospital Hygiene and Infection Prevention

Committee Assignments and Administration:

- 1996- Coordinator of the German Nosocomial Infection Surveillance System (KISS) with ongoing data from about 800 German hospitals www.nrz-hygiene.de
1999- Coordinator of the scientific outbreak database www.outbreak-database.com
2003-2008 Chairman of the Working group Allgemeine und Krankenhaushygiene der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Hygiene und Mikrobiologie
2006-2010 Vice president Deutschen Gesellschaft für Hygiene und Mikrobiologie
2002- Editorial board of "Infect Control and Hosp Epidemiol"
2008- Coordination of the national hand hygiene campaign www.aktion-sauberehaende.de
2010- EU project PROHIBIT (Lead D.Pittet) work package 3
2011- EU project R-Gnosis (Lead M. Bonten) work package 5
2013 DZIF-study: Improvement of antibiotic use in the community
2014 InfectControl2020 Project leader RAI (Rational antibiotic use by information and communication)

Major research interest:

Surveillance and epidemiology of nosocomial infections and antimicrobial resistance, Evidence based infection control measures