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**Position:** Full Professor (W3) for Microbiology

### **Academic education including academic degrees**

1991 – 1996 Diploma in Biology, Julius Maximilian University of Würzburg

### **Scientific graduation**

1997 – 2001 Dr. rer. nat. in Molecular Microbiology, University of Groningen, NL,  
supervisor: Prof. W.N. Konings

### **Employment**

Since 2014 Full Professor (W3) for Microbiology (Molecular Biology of Archaea)  
Faculty of Biology, University of Freiburg

2008 – 2014 Max Planck Research Group leader (free floater), Max Planck Institute  
for terrestrial Microbiology, Marburg, Germany

2006 – 2008 VIDI laureate (Postdoctoral researcher), University of Groningen, NL

2003 – 2006 VENI laureate (Postdoctoral researcher), University of Groningen, NL

### **Other activities, awards and honours**

2022 Organizer of the EMBO workshop “Molecular Biology of Archaea”

Since 2021 Dean of the Faculty of Biology

2019 – 2021 Vice Dean of the Faculty of Biology

2019 Elected EMBO member

Since 2019 Chief Editor of the “Biology of Archaea” section in Frontiers in Biology

2019 Member of the Senate of the University of Freiburg

2018-2020 Speaker of the Archaea Fachgruppe in the VAAM

Since 2018 Editorial Board of FEMS Microbiology Reviews

2016 Elected into EAM (European Academy of Microbiology)

Since 2016 Member of Board of the Wissenschaftliche Gesellschaft Freiburg

2013 – 2018 ERC starting grant

2012 Chair of the Gordon Research Conference on Archaea (USA)

2012 Organizer of the international “Molecular Biology of Archaea”  
Conference at the MPI Marburg

2012 Forschungspreis of the VAAM (Association of general and applied  
Microbiology)

2010 Co-Chair of the Gordon Research Conference on Archaea

1998 – 2000 Marie Curie fellowship (TMR), long term