

# *Theses*

Many students made their PhD, MD, master or diploma thesis during the last two decades. They have been or are still part of our team and we very much appreciate their contributions.


**Ongoing work**

**Finished Habilitation**

**Finished Doctoral Theses**

**Finished Master and Diploma Theses**


## Ongoing Work


<b>Title:</b>	<b>Longitudinal investigation of risk factors in patients with kidney diseases</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Gisela Sturm</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	3/2008 -	

### Main publication:

1. Sturm G, Lamina C, Zitt E, Lhotta K, Lins F, Freistätter O, Neyer U, Kronenberg F: Sex-specific association of time-varying hemoglobin values with mortality in incident dialysis patients. *Nephrology, Dialysis, Transplantation* 25:2715-2722, 2010.

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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Expression of Afamin in cell culture and animal models</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Susanne Olscher</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	11/2007 -	

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Bioinformatic-based quality assurance in epidemiological studies</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Hansi Weißensteiner</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	Günther Specht und <a href="#">Anita Kloss-Brandstätter</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	2/2009 -	

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Bioinformatic algorithms and database solutions for efficient data-mining in order to discover the genetic basis of complex diseases</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Sebastian Schönherr</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	Günther Specht und <a href="#">Anita Kloss-Brandstätter</a>
<b>Time:</b>	2/2009 -



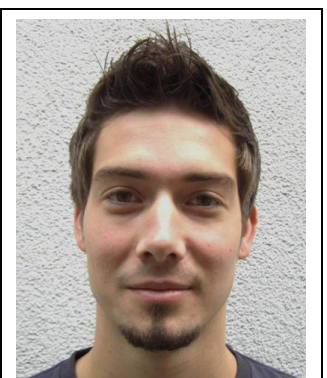
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Software solutions for high-throughput detection and analysis of Copy Number Variation</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Lukas Forer</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	Günther Specht und <a href="#">Anita Kloss-Brandstätter</a>
<b>Time:</b>	4/2010 -





<b>Title:</b>	<b>Association of relative telomere length with cardiovascular diseases, cancer and kidney disease</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Julia Raschenberger</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Anita Kloss-Brandstätter</a> and <a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>
<b>Time:</b>	05/2010 -



<b>Title:</b>	<b>Charakterisierung des Plasmaproteins Afamin</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Jeremias Hagen</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	Bachelor thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	07/2010 -




<b>Title:</b>	<b>Afamin, ein Vitamin E-Bindungsprotein, ist signifikant erhöht bei Frauen mit polyzystischem Ovarialsyndrom</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Elisabeth Morandell</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD diploma thesis	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a> (together with Ludwig Wildt, Univ. Clinic for Gynecological Endocrinology and Reproductive Medicine)	
<b>Time:</b>	06/2010 -	

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Afamin in Obesity</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Andreas Melmer</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a> and Christoph Ebenbichler (Univ. Clinic of Internal Medicine)	
<b>Time:</b>	10/2010 -	

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## *Finished Habilitation*


<b>Title:</b>	<b>Genetic ancestry and the genetic epidemiology of complex disease</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Anita Kloss-Brandstätter</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	Habilitation in Human Genetics	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	until 11/2010	

## Main publications:

1. Brandstätter A, Zimmermann B, Wagner J, Goebel T, Roeck AM, Salas A, Carracedo A, Parson W: Timing and deciphering mitochondrial DNA macro-haplogroup R0 variability in Central Europe and Middle East. *BMC Evolutionary Biology* 8:191, 2008. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
  2. Zimmermann B, Bodner M, Amory S, Fendt L, Röck A, Horst D, Horst B, Sanguansermisri T, Parson W, Brandstätter A: Forensic and phylogeographic characterization of mtDNA lineages from northern Thailand (Chiang Mai). *International Journal of Legal Medicine* 123:495-501, 2009 [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
  3. Schoenherr S, Weissensteiner H, Coassin S, Specht G, Kronenberg F, Brandstätter A: eCOMPAGT - efficient Combination and Management of Phenotypes and Genotypes for Genetic Epidemiology. *BMC Bioinformatics* 10:139, 2009. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
  4. Weissensteiner H\*, Schönherr S\*, Specht G, Kronenberg F, Brandstätter A: eCOMPAGT integrates mtDNA: import, validation and export of mitochondrial DNA profiles for population genetics, tumour dynamics and genotype-phenotype association studies. *BMC Bioinformatics* 11:122, 2010. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
  5. Brandstätter A, Kiechl S, Kollerits B, Hunt SC, Heid IM, Coassin S, Willeit J, Adams TD, Illig T, Hopkins PN, Kronenberg F: Sex-specific association of the putative fructose transporter *SLC2A9* variants with uric acid levels is modified by BMI. *Diabetes care* 31:1662-1667, 2008. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
  6. Brandstätter A, Lamina C, Kiechl S, Hunt SC, Coassin S, Paulweber B, Kramer F, Summerer M, Willeit J, Kedenko L, Adams TD, Kronenberg F: Sex and age interaction with genetic association of atherogenic uric acid concentrations. *Atherosclerosis* 210:474-478, 2010. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
  7. Brandstätter A, Lingenhel A, Zwiauer K, Strobl W, Kronenberg F: Decrease of Lp(a) during weight reduction in obese children is modified by the apo(a) kringle-IV copy number variation. *International Journal of Obesity* 33:1136-1142, 2009. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
  8. Ehrlenbach S, Willeit P, Kiechl S, Willeit J, Reindl M, Schanda K, Kronenberg F, Brandstätter A: Influences on the reduction of relative telomere length over ten years in the population-based Bruneck Study: introduction of a well-controlled high-throughput assay. *International Journal of Epidemiology* 38:1725-1734, 2009. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
- \* Authors contributed equally


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## Finished Doctoral Theses

<b>Title:</b>	In-depth characterization for genetic variants in lipoprotein metabolism	
<b>Name:</b>	Stefan Coassin	
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	05/2007 - 02/2011	

**Main publications:**

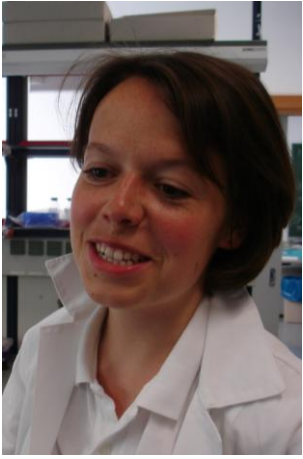
1. Coassin S, Brandstätter A, Kronenberg F: An optimized procedure for the design and evaluation of Ecotilling assays. *BMC Genomics* 9:510, 2008. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. Coassin S, Brandstätter A, Kronenberg F: Lost in the space of bioinformatic tools: a constantly updated survival guide for genetic epidemiology. The GenEpi Toolbox. *Atherosclerosis* 209:321-335, 2010. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
3. Coassin S, Schweiger M, Kloss-Brandstätter A, Lamina C, Haun M, Erhart G, Paulweber B, Rahman Y, Olpin S, Wolinski H, Cornaciu I, Zechner R, Zimmermann R, Kronenberg F: Investigation and functional characterization of rare genetic variants in the adipose triglyceride lipase in a large healthy working population. *PLoS Genetics* 6:e1001239, 2010. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Genetic epidemiological investigations of candidate genes and intermediate phenotypes involved in lipoprotein metabolism and cardiovascular disease</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Barbara Kollerits</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	05/2005 - 02/2009	

**Main publications:**


1. Kollerits B, Coassin S, Beckmann ND, Teumer A, Kiechl S, Döring A, Kavousi M, Hunt SC, Lamina C, Paulweber B, Kutalik Z, Nauck M, Van Duijn CM, Heid IM, Willeit J, Brandstätter A, Adams TD, Mooser V, Aulchenko YS, Völzke H, Kronenberg F: Genetic evidence for a role of adiponutrin in the metabolism of apolipoprotein B-containing lipoproteins. *Human Molecular Genetics* 18:4669-4676, 2009. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. Kollerits B, Coassin S, Kiechl S, Hunt SC, Paulweber B, Willeit J, Brandstätter A, Lamina C, Adams TD, Kronenberg F: A common variant in the adiponutrin gene influences liver enzyme levels. *Journal of Medical Genetics* 47:116-119, 2010. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
3. Lingenhel A\*, Kollerits B\*, Schwaiger JP, Hunt SC, Gress R, Hopkins PN, Schoenborn V, Heid IM, Kronenberg F: Serum bilirubin levels, UGT1A1 polymorphisms and risk for coronary artery disease. *Experimental Gerontology* 43:1102-1107, 2008. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
4. Kollerits B\*, Auinger M\*, Reisig V, Kästenbauer T, Lingenhel A, Irsigler K, Prager R, Kronenberg F: Lipoprotein(a) as a predictor of cardiovascular disease in a prospectively followed cohort of patients with type 1 diabetes. *Diabetes Care* 29:1661-1663, 2006. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

\* Authors contributed equally

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Prospective investigation of CardioVascular and cerebrovascular risk factors in patients with Intermittent Claudication: The CAVASIC Study</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Barbara Rantner</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis (part-time besides clinical duties)	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	09/2002 - 03/2009	

**Main publications:**

1. [Rantner B](#), Kollerits B, Anderwald-Stadler M, Klein-Weigel P, Gruber I, Gehringer A, Haak M, Schnapka-Köpf M, Fraedrich G, Kronenberg F: Association between the UGT1A1 TA-repeat polymorphism and bilirubin concentrations in patients with intermittent claudication: results from the CAVASIC Study. *Clinical Chemistry* 54:851-857, 2008. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. Lamina C, Meisinger C, Heid IM, Löwel H, [Rantner B](#), Koenig W, Kronenberg F, for the KORA Study Group: Association of ankle-brachial index and plaques in the carotid and femoral arteries with cardiovascular events and total mortality in a population-based study with 13-years of follow-up. *European Heart Journal* 27:2580-2587, 2006. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
3. Kollerits B, Heinrich J, Pichler M, [Rantner B](#), Klein-Weigel P, Wölke G, Brasche S, Strube G, Kronenberg F: Intermittent claudication in the Erfurt Male Cohort (ERFORT) Study: Its determinants and the impact on mortality. A population-based prospective cohort study with 30 years of follow-up. *Atherosclerosis* 198:214-222, 2008. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Genetic-Epidemiological Investigations on Lipid Metabolism: Candidate Gene Approach versus Genome-Wide Association Studies</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Eva Boes</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD / PhD thesis (part-time)	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	01/2004 - 03/2009	

**Main publications:**

1. [Boes E](#), Kollerits B, Heid IM, Hunt SC, Pichler M, Paulweber B, Coassin S, Adams TD, Hopkins PN, Lingenhel A, Wagner SA, Kronenberg F: *INSIG2* polymorphism is neither associated with body mass index nor with phenotypes of lipoprotein metabolism. *Obesity* 16:827-833, 2008. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. Heid IM, [Boes E](#), Müller AM, Kollerits B, Lamina C, Coassin S, Gieger C, Döring A, Klopp N, Frikke-Schmidt R, Tybjærg-Hansen A, Brandstätter A, Luchner A, Meitinger T, Wichmann HE, Kronenberg


- F: Genome-wide association analysis of high-density lipoprotein cholesterol in the population-based KORA Study sheds new light on intergenic regions. *Circulation: Cardiovascular Genetics* 1:10-20, 2008.
3. Boes E, Coassin S, Kollerits B, Heid IM, Kronenberg F: Genetic-epidemiological evidence on genes associated with HDL cholesterol levels: A systematic in-depth review. *Experimental Gerontology* 44:136-160, 2009. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
4. Boes E, Fliser D, Ritz E, König P, Lhotta K, Mann JFE, Müller GA, Neyer U, Riegel W, Riegler P, Kronenberg F, for the MMKD Study Group: Apolipoprotein A-IV predicts progression of chronic kidney disease: The Mild to Moderate Kidney Disease (MMKD) Study. *Journal of the American Society of Nephrology* 17:528-536, 2006. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Antisense Wirkstoffe zur Therapie der Hyperlipämie</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Ramesh Tripathi</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	11/2007 - 11/2008

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Nicht-invasive Diagnostik bei Endometriose – Afamin als potentieller Biomarker</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Theresa Czech</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a> (together with Ludwig Wildt, Univ. Clinic for Gynecological Endocrinology and Reproductive Medicine)
<b>Time:</b>	05/2007- 06/2008

**Main publication:**

1. Seeber BE, Czech T, Buchner H, Barnhardt KT, Seger C, Daxenbichler G, Wildt L, Dieplinger H: The vitamin E-binding protein afamin is altered significantly in the peritoneal fluid of women with endometriosis. *Fertility and Sterility* 94:2923-2926, 2010. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Genetic epidemiological investigations of the adipose triglyceride lipase (ATGL)</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Veit Schoenborn</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD thesis	
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>	
<b>Time:</b>	02/2004 - 10/2005	

**Main publications:**

1. [Schoenborn V\\*](#), Heid IM\*, Vollmert C\*, Lingenhel A, Adams TD, Hopkins PN, Illig T, Zimmermann R, Zechner R, Hunt SC, Kronenberg F: The ATGL gene is associated with free fatty acids, triglycerides and type 2 diabetes. *Diabetes* 55:1270-1275, 2006. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. [Schoenborn V](#), Gohlke H, Heid IM, Illig T, Utermann G, Kronenberg F: Sample selection algorithm to improve quality of genotyping from plasma-derived DNA: to separate the wheat from the chaff. *Human Mutation* 28:1141-1149, 2007. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

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<b>Title:</b>	<b>The vitamin E-binding protein afamin – further biochemical characterisation and possible clinical significance in fertility and neuroprotection</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Paul-Christoph Lüth</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	10/2002 - 11/2003

**Main publication:**

1. Jackson D, Craven RA, Richard, Hutson C, Graze I, Lueth P, Tonge RP, Hartley JL, Nickson JA, Rayner SJ, Johnston C, Dieplinger B, Hubalek M, Wilkinson N, Perren TJ, Kehoe S, Hall GD, Daxenbichler G, [Dieplinger H](#), Selby PJ, Banks RE : Proteomic Profiling Identifies Afamin as a Potential Biomarker for Ovarian Cancer. *Clinic Cancer Research* 13: 7370-7379, 2007



<b>Title:</b>	<b>Analyse der Proteinzusammensetzung der Follikelflüssigkeit mittels zwei-dimensionaler Gelelektrophorese</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Barbara Schantl</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	05/2000 - 04/2001

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Metabolism of lipoprotein(a) and apolipoprotein A-IV in the human kidney</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Marina Haiman</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	11/1999 - 05/2004

**Main publications:**

1. [Haiman M](#), Salvenmoser W, Scheiber K, Lingenhel A, Rudolph C, Schmitz G, Kronenberg F, Dieplinger H: Immunohistochemical localization of apolipoprotein A-IV in human kidney tissue. *Kidney International* 68:1130-1136, 2005. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. Ezeh B, [Haiman M](#), Alber HF, Kunz B, Paulweber B, Kraft HG, Weidinger F, Pachinger O, Dieplinger H, Kronenberg F: Plasma distribution of apoA-IV in patients with coronary artery disease and healthy controls. *Journal of Lipid Research* 44:1523-1529, 2003. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>In vivo metabolism of Lp(a) and LDL in humans</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Michael Frischmann</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	1998 - 2002

**Main publications:**

1. [Frischmann ME](#), Kronenberg F, [Trenkwalder E](#), Schaefer J, Schweer H, Dieplinger B, König P, Ikewaki K, [Dieplinger H](#): In vivo turnover study demonstrates diminished clearance of lipoprotein(a) in hemodialysis patients. *Kidney International* 71:1036-1043, 2007. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

2. Ikewaki K, Schaefer JR, Frischmann ME, Okubo K, Hosoya T, Mochizuki S, Dieplinger B, Trenkwalder E, Schweer H, Kronenberg F, Koenig P, Dieplinger H: Delayed in vivo catabolism of Intermediate-Density Lipoprotein and Low-Density Lipoprotein in hemodialysis patients as potential cause of premature atherosclerosis. *Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology* 25:2615-2622, 2005. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Exogenous effects on the plasma concentration and lipoprotein distribution of apolipoprotein A-IV</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Benjamin Ezeh</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a> and <a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>
<b>Time:</b>	11/1998 - 04/2002

**Main publications:**

1. Jerkovic L, Voegelé AF, Chwatal S, Kronenberg F, Radcliffe CM, Wormald MR, Lobentanz EM, Ezeh B, Eller P, Dejori N, Dieplinger B, Lottspeich F, Sattler W, Uhr M, Mechtler K, Dwek RA, Rudd PM, Baier G, Dieplinger H: Afamin is a novel human vitamin E-binding glycoprotein. Characterization and in vitro expression. *Journal of Proteome Research* 4:889-899, 2005. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. Ezeh B, Haiman M, Alber HF, Kunz B, Paulweber B, Kraft HG, Weidinger F, Pachinger O, Dieplinger H, Kronenberg F: Plasma distribution of apoA-IV in patients with coronary artery disease and healthy controls. *Journal of Lipid Research* 44:1523-1529, 2003. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
3. Kratz M, Wahrburg U, Von Eckardstein A, Ezeh B, Assmann G, Kronenberg F: Dietary mono- and polyunsaturated fatty acids similarly increase plasma apolipoprotein A-IV concentrations in healthy men and women. *Journal of Nutrition* 133:1821-1825, 2003. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
4. von Eckardstein A, Crook D, Elbers J, Ragoobir J, Ezeh B, Helmond F, Miller N, Dieplinger H, Bennink HC, Assmann G: Tibolone lowers high density lipoprotein cholesterol by increasing hepatic lipase activity but does not impair cholesterol efflux. *Clinical Endocrinology* 58:49-58, 2003. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>In vivo turnover von Lp(a) im menschlichen Plasma</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Evi Trenkwalder</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a> and <a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>
<b>Time:</b>	01/1996 - 11/1999

**Main publications:**

1. Kronenberg F, Lingenhel A, Friedrich G, Trenkwalder E, Lhotta K, Schober M, Moes N, König P, Utermann G, Dieplinger H: Renovascular arteriovenous differences in Lp(a) plasma concentrations suggest removal of Lp(a) from the renal circulation. *Journal of Lipid Research* 38: 1755-1763, 1997. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. Koch M, Kutkuhn B, Trenkwalder E, Bach D, Grabensee B, Dieplinger H, Kronenberg F: Apolipoprotein B, fibrinogen, HDL cholesterol and apolipoprotein(a) phenotypes predict coronary artery disease in hemodialysis patients. *Journal of the American Society of Nephrology* 8: 1889-1898, 1997. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
3. Kronenberg F, Trenkwalder E, Kronenberg MF, König P, Utermann G, Dieplinger H: Influence of hematocrit on the measurement of lipoproteins demonstrated by the example of lipoprotein(a). *Kidney International* 54: 1385-1389, 1998. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
4. Kronenberg F, Neyer U, Lhotta K, Trenkwalder E, Auinger M, Pribasnig A, Meisl T, König P, Dieplinger H: The low molecular weight apo(a) phenotype is an independent predictor for coronary artery disease in hemodialysis patients: a prospective follow-up. *Journal of the American Society of Nephrology* 10: 1027-1036, 1999. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
5. Ikewaki K, Schaefer JR, Frischmann ME, Okubo K, Hosoya T, Mochizuki S, Dieplinger B, Trenkwalder E, Schweer H, Kronenberg F, Koenig P, Dieplinger H: Delayed in vivo catabolism of Intermediate-Density Lipoprotein and Low-Density Lipoprotein in hemodialysis patients as potential cause of premature atherosclerosis. *Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology* 25:2615-2622, 2005. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
6. Frischmann ME, Kronenberg F, Trenkwalder E, Schaefer J, Schweer H, Dieplinger B, König P, Ikewaki K, Dieplinger H: In vivo turnover study demonstrates diminished clearance of lipoprotein(a) in hemodialysis patients. *Kidney International* (in press). [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Apo(a)-isoform-independent quantification of Lp(a) in human plasma</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Markus Hohenegger</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	06/1996 - 04/1999

**Main publication:**

1. Kraft HG, Lingenhel A, Raal FJ, Hohenegger M, Utermann G: Lipoprotein(a) in homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia. *Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis, and Vascular Biology* 20:522-528, 2000. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)



<b>Title:</b>	<b>Molecular analysis of a human plasma protein from the albumin gene family</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Sabine Chwatal</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	PhD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	04/1993 – 08/1996

**Main publication:**

1. [Jerkovic L](#), [Voegele AF](#), [Chwatal S](#), [Kronenberg F](#), Radcliffe CM, Wormald MR, [Lobentanz EM](#), [Ezeh B](#), [Eller P](#), [Dejori N](#), [Dieplinger B](#), Lottspeich F, Sattler W, Uhr M, Mechtler K, Dwek RA, Rudd PM, Baier G, [Dieplinger H](#): Afamin is a novel human vitamin E-binding glycoprotein. Characterization and in vitro expression. *Journal of Proteome Research* 4:889-899, 2005. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Afamin im liquor cerebrospinalis - Implikationen für neurodegenerative Erkrankungen</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Patricia Eller</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	1997 - 09/1998

**Main publications:**

1. Voegele AF, Jerkovic L, Wellenzohn B, [Eller P](#), Kronenberg F, Liedl KR, Dieplinger H: Characterization of the vitamin E-binding properties of human serum afamin. *Biochemistry* 41:14532-14538, 2002. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)
2. Jerkovic L, Voegele AF, Chwatal S, Kronenberg F, Radcliffe CM, Wormald MR, Lobentanz EM, Ezeh B, [Eller P](#), Dejori N, Dieplinger B, Lottspeich F, Sattler W, Uhr M, Mechtler K, Dwek RA, Rudd PM, Baier G, Dieplinger H: Afamin is a novel human vitamin E-binding glycoprotein. Characterization and in vitro expression. *Journal of Proteome Research* 4:889-899, 2005. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)



<b>Title:</b>	<b>Lipoprotein(a) bei nierentransplantierten Patienten - Eine prospektive Untersuchung</b>
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Lisa Kerschdorfer</b>
<b>Type of work:</b>	MD thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Florian Kronenberg</a>
<b>Time:</b>	until 06/1998

**Main publication:**

1. [Kerschdorfer L](#), König P, Neyer U, Bösmüller C, Lhotta K, Auinger M, Hohenegger MM, Riegler P, Margreiter R, Utermann G, Dieplinger H, Kronenberg F: Lipoprotein(a) plasma concentrations after renal transplantation: a prospective evaluation after 4 years of follow-up. *Atherosclerosis* 144:381-391, 1999. [\[Pub-Med\]](#)

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Biochemical characterization of a vitamin E-binding protein from human plasma</b>
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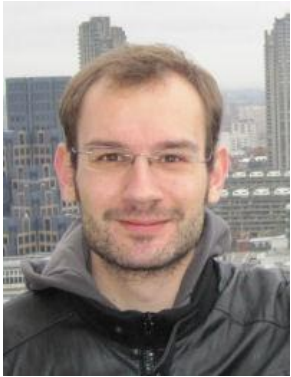
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<b>Title:</b>	Genome-wide association studies based on copy number variations: A new bioinformatical challenge	
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<b>Type of work:</b>	Master thesis	
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<b>Name:</b>	Silvia Ehrlenbach	
<b>Type of work:</b>	Master thesis	
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<b>Type of work:</b>	Master thesis	
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<b>Title:</b>	DARVIN: A Database Supported Algorithm for Rapid Genomic Variation Inference and Prediction	
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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Afamin als neuer Marker für die Alzheimer'sche Erkrankung</b>
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<b>Type of work:</b>	Diploma thesis
<b>Supervisor:</b>	<a href="#">Hans Dieplinger</a>
<b>Time:</b>	01/2008 - 07/2008

<b>Title:</b>	<b>GenDB - Eine Genom-Datenbank zur integrierten Speicherung von Genotypen und Phänotypen</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Sebastian Schönherr</b>	
<b>Type of work:</b>	Master thesis	
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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Molecular-genetic analysis of the human afamin gene in patients with male infertility syndromes</b>
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<b>Title:</b>	<b>The influence of lipid-lowering medication on the in-vivo metabolism of atherogenic lipoproteins in patients with end-stage renal disease</b>
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<b>Type of work:</b>	Diploma thesis
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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Immunhistologische Lokalisation von Lipoprotein(a) in der menschlichen Niere</b>
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