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Clinical Psychologist, Sexologist, Genetic Epidemiologist

Skills

- Sex and Relationship Counselling; over 15 years of experience with my own private practice
- Sex Research; Genetic epidemiologic Research
- Advisory & Consultancy in Sexual Medicine and Sexual Health
- Lecturing; Supervision; Coaching

Current Positions

07.2023-CURRENT (INTERMITTANT)

Senior Psychologist / Rehaklinik Hasliberg

Specialized in the management of stress-related and chronic pain conditions

01.2020-CURRENT

External Lecturer and Supervisor / ZHAW, UniBasel, UZH, Kaleidos

Lecturing and supervising BSc und MSc students

01.2020-CURRENT

Practice Owner / Sexberatung ZH

Providing sex and couple's therapy

06.2019-CURRENT

CEO & Founder / Private Institute for Sex Counselling and Sexual Sciences (ISCSS)

Providing sex and couple's therapy, counselling & advisory, lecturing, knowledge dissemination and conducting research – all related to sexual health and medicine

2012-CURRENT

Visiting Research Fellow / King's College London, UK

Department for Twin Research and Genetic Epidemiology

Previous Positions

2017-2018

Head of Psychosexuality and Research / European Institute for Sexual Health

Interdisciplinary treatment of sexual and urological conditions and problems. Hamburg, Germany

02.2016-12.2017

Associate Professor / Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, New Zealand

Faculty of Health and Environmental Sciences, School of Clinical Sciences

02.2013-02.2016

SNFS Ambizione Fellow (Senior Research Level) / University of Zurich, Switzerland

Department of Psychology, Clinical Psychology Children/Adolescents & Couples/Family

04.2012-02.2013

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow / University of Zurich, Switzerland

Psychopathology and Clinical Intervention

04.2010-02.2013

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow / King's College London

Twin Research and Genetic Epidemiology, School of Medicine

02.2011-06.2013

Head of Psychology / Burnout M3 GmbH

Department of Psychology, Clinical Psychology Children/Adolescents & Couples/Family

01.2010-03.2012

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow / Queen Mary University, London, UK

Department of Psychology, Clinical Psychology Children/Adolescents & Couples/Family

2004-2007

Research Assistant / ETH Zurich, Switzerland

Institute for Biology and Psychoneuroendocrinology

Education

2022 – CURRENT

**FSP, federally recognized Psychotherapist / AIM –
Akademie für Verhaltenstherapie und Methodenintegration**

04.2017

**EFS-ESSM Certified Psycho-Sexologist / European Society
for Sexual Medicine and European Psychosexology
Accreditation Committee**

10.2010

Doctor of Science (PhD) / King's College London, UK

King's College London, School of Medicine, Department of Twin Research and Genetic Epidemiology. Topic
"The Epidemiology and Genetic Epidemiology of Female Sexual Dysfunction". Obtained: 21.10.2010

06.2007

**MSc Clinical Psychology / University of Zurich,
Switzerland**

University of Zurich, Department of Psychology. Minor field of study: Psychopathology & Sexual Sciences
(Hamburg)

Academic Teaching & Lecturing

2015-2017

Classification, Aetiology/Pathogenesis, and Treatment of Sexual Dysfunctions.

University of Zurich, Department of Psychology. Full spring semester seminar - MSc level

Sexual Medical Phenomena: Gender Identity Disorders and Paraphilias. University of
Zurich, Department of Psychology. Full spring semester seminar, MSc level

Molecular Epidemiology of Somatoform and Sexual Disorders. University of Zurich,
Department of Psychology; Project group leader, MSc. Level

Scientific Colloquium on Clinical Psychology for Child/Adolescents & Pairs/Family.
Colloquium leader, MSc. level

Prevention Strategies for high Burnout risk individuals. 3-day Workshop Leader for Burnout
m3 (regular basis, 3-4x a year)

2014

Molecular Epidemiology of Somatoform and Sexual Disorders; University of Zurich,
Department of Psychology; Project group leader, MSc level

Classification, Aetiology/Pathogenesis, and Treatment of Sexual Dysfunctions;

University of Zurich, Department of Psychology. Full spring semester seminar, MSc level

Molecular Epidemiology of Somatoform and Sexual Disorders;

University of Zurich, Department of Psychology; Project group leader, MSc level

Scientific Colloquium on Clinical Psychology for Child/Adolescents & Pairs/Family.

Colloquium leader, MSc. level

Prevention Strategies for high Burnout risk individuals. 3-day Workshop Leader for Burnout m3 (regular basis, 3-4x a year)

2013

Classification, Aetiology/Pathogenesis, and Treatment of Sexual Dysfunctions;

University of Zurich, Department of Psychology. Full spring semester seminar, MSc level.

Gender and Psychopathology; University of Zurich, Department of Psychology; Full spring semester seminar, MSc level

Epigenetic Changes underlying Trauma and Post-traumatic Stress Disorder; University of Zurich, Department of Psychology; Full spring semester seminar. MSc level.

Prevention Strategies for high Burnout risk individuals. 3-day Workshop Leader for Burnout m3 (regular basis, 3-4x a year)

2012

Sexual Dysfunction in Men and Women; University of Zurich, Department of Psychology. Full spring semester seminar (2 lessons), MSc level

Current Research on Female Sexual Dysfunction; Abo Akademi, Centre of Excellence in Behavioral Genetics, Turku, Finland. Full spring semester seminar, MSc level; 2012.

Current Research on Female Sexual Dysfunction; Abo Akademi, Centre of Excellence in Behavioral Genetics, Turku, Finland. Full winter semester seminar, MSc level; 2011.

Bioethics and Genetic Research; King's College London, Centre for Biomedicine and Society, London, United Kingdom. Full spring semester seminar, MSc level; 2009.

Honors and Awards

04.2016

Best Poster Award / NZPS New Plymouth, New Zealand

06.2014

Best Poster Award / EAPM Sibiu, Romania

12.2012

Best Presentation Award / ESSM Malaga, Spain

Advisory and Consultancy

2021-CURRENT

Atlas Pharmaceuticals / Pharmaceutical Company

2021-CURRENT

KANNA Inc. / Pharmaceutical Company

2021-CURRENT

WOW Tech Groupe / Intimate Product Producer

2021

Compagnie Digestif / Cultural Project

2019-2020

Sexy COPD Expert Group / University Hospital Zurich

2013-2017

Menarini Group Italy / Pharmaceutical Company

2014-2018

A. Menarini AG Switzerland / Pharmaceutical Company

2014-2016

Berlin Chemie / Pharmaceutical Company

Presentations and Chairing (a selection)

Invited Presentation, Menarini Advisory Board Meeting, 3rd of October 2017. “Female Sexual Functioning and its Relationship with Male Sexual Functioning”.

NZ Pain Society. Invited speaker: “Epigenetics of Pain” and “Sexual Medicine and Pain”. Nelson, New Zealand, 2-4 March, 2017

46th Behavior Genetics Annual Meeting. Poster Presentation: “Are epigenetic factors involved in chronic widespread pain?” Brisbane, Australia, 20-23 June 2016.

New Zealand Pain Society Annual Meeting. Poster Presentation: “Are epigenetic factors involved in chronic widespread pain?”. New Plymouth, New Zealand 7-10 April 2016.

ESSM Symposium . Invited Speaker and Chair: “Reflections on PE – men’s most frequently reported sexual problem”. Porto, 27th of February 2016

3rd Annual Scientific Conference of the European Association for Psychosomatic Medicine. Oral presentation (accepted): Genetic Modelling of Chronic Widespread Pain. 2-4 Juli, Nuremberg, Germany.

ESSM Symposium on “Practicing Sexual Medicine State of the Art 2015” . Invited Speaker and Chair: “Sex and Partnership – What really counts and what not”. Torino, 26-27 June 2015

Invited Guest Lecture: “Are women genetically predetermined to sexual dysfunctions”. University of Porto, Department of Psychology, 16.06.2015

ESSM Symposium on “Practicing Sexual Medicine State of the Art 2015” . Invited Speaker and Chair: “Sex and Partnership – What really counts and what not”. Riga, 8-9 May 2015

ESSM Symposium on “Practicing Sexual Medicine State of the Art 2015” . Invited Speaker and Chair: “Sex and Partnership – What really counts and what not”. Athens, 27-28 February 2015

17th Congress of the European Association for Sexual Medicine. Invited Speaker: “The role of epigenetic factors in the development of female sexual problems”. Copenhagen, 5.02.2015.

“ESSM Symposium on “Practicing Sexual Medicine State of the Art 2014” . Invited Speaker: “Men’s Sexual Incompetence – Through the Eyes of the Women”. Prague, 31.10.2014

Jahrestagung der Deutsche Gesellschaft für Urologie. Invited Speaker: „Auswirkungen sexueller Funktionsstörungen des Mannes auf die Frau“. Düsseldorf, 03.10.2014

“ESSM Symposium on “Practising Sexual Medicine State of the Art 2014” . Invited Speaker: “Men’s Sexual Incompetence – Through the Eyes of the Women”. Lisbon, 12.09.2014

Lilly Forum, Frankfurt, Germany. 09.05.2013. Invited Speaker. “„Männliche Sexualstörungen – ein vorrangiges Frauenthema“

29th Annual Meeting of the European Association for Urology,. Invited Speaker: “An investigation on ED patients’ insights”. Stockholm, 13.04.2014

International Society for the Study of Women's Sexual Health (ISSWSH). Invited Speaker. 20.-23.02.2104 San Diego, US.

16th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Sexual Medicine. 29.01-01.02.2014 Istanbul. Invited Speaker "Women's asexuality – an extreme case of HSDD?". **Invited Speaker** "Genetic Factors in Female Sexual Problems". **Chair** "Somatoform disorder-related sexual problems in females"

National Congress of Urology Portuguese Association (APU) – Priligy Symposium. 10-13.10.2013, Algarve, Portugal. **Invited Speaker:** "PE: Women's Perception and Impact on Sexual Functioning and Satisfaction".

International Symposium on Prostate, Androgens and Men's Sexual Health. Invited Speaker: "PE: Women's Perception and Impact on Sexual Functioning and Satisfaction". Berlin, Germany, 21-23. 06. 2013

European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ESTSS). Speaker: "Childhood trauma and PTSD increase the risk of cognitive impairment in a sample of former indentured child laborers in old age". Bologna, Italy, **6-9.06.2013**

Klinik Rheinfelden – Sexualtagung. Invited Speaker: "Der weibliche Orgasmus: Mythos, Fakten und Kontroversen". Basel, Switzerland, 06.06.2013.

"Women Inspire Innovation". Invited Speaker. Organized by the Swiss Embassy and The Global Women's Leadership Initiative. Washington DC, US, 10. 04. 2013.

15th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Sexual Medicine. Invited Speaker and Chair for the Sarah Leiblum Master Lecture „Are women genetically predetermined to sexual problems?“ 08.12.2012, Amsterdam.

8. Berner Symposium "Gehirn und Psyche". Invited Speaker „Die Psychobiologie der weiblichen Sexualität: Implikationen genetisch-epidemiologischer Forschung für einen multidisziplinären Behandlungsansatz". Bern, Switzerland, 28.06.2011

Dreiländertagung der Deutschen, Österreichischen und Schweizerischen Arbeitsgemeinschaften für Psychosomatische Gynäkologie und Geburtshilfe. Invited Speaker „Weibliche Sexualität - alles genetisch determiniert? Basel, 15.-18.02.2012

"Genetics and Human Sexual Behaviour". 13th International Congress on Twin Studies and Behavioral Medicine. Symposium Organizer and Invited Speaker: Presentation on "Genetic and Environmental Influences on Female Sexual Dysfunctions: Results of a Genome-wide Association Study in an Unselected UK Twin Population". 4-13.06.2010, Seoul, South Korea.

13th Congress of the European Society for Sexual Medicine, Malaga. Speaker: "Putative Gene Loci for Female Sexual Dysfunction in Females: Results of a Genome-Wide Association Study in an Unselected Population". Malaga, Spain. 14-17.11.2010.

Pfizer, Sandwich UK. Invited Speaker: "The Genetic Epidemiology of Female Sexual Dysfunction". Pfizer, Sandwich, UK. 12th of October.

Institute for Epidemiology and Prevention, University of Bern. Invited Speaker: "The Genetic Epidemiology of Female 22nd of April 2010.

Kings College London, School of Medicine. Speaker: “The Genetics of Female Sexual Behaviour with a Special Focus on FSD”. School of Medicine, King’s College London, 27th of November 2009.

International Association of Sex Research, Puerto Rico. Speaker: “G-spot: Fiction or Friction? Results of a survey and classical twin study in 1800 females”. IASR 19-22 August 2009, San Juan – Puerto Rico

Research Collaborations (a selection)

University of Zurich, Department of Psychology, King’s College London,

University of Helsinki, Australian Twin Registry; Risk and Resiliency for Somatization.

Waitemata Pain Service, DHB. Pain Chronification after Abdominal Surgery; Risk and Resiliency in Chronic Pain Patients.

Endocrinology Unit, **Maggiore-Bellaria Hospital, Medical Department** , Azienda-UsI Bologna , Bologna , Italy; Dr. Giovanni Corona – Pharmacological Treatment Efficacy in Male Sexual Problems.

Institute of Urology, Andrology and Sexual Medicine, Hamburg, Germany; Professor Hartmut Porst – Insights into Male Sexual Problems.

Department of Health Promotion Science, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine, Suita, Osaka, Japan; Dr. Soshiro Ogata – Quantitative Genetic Approaches to Chronic Widespread Pain.

Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science, University of Washington, Seattle, US; Dr. Peter Hilpert – Longitudinal Modelling using Maximum Likelihood and SEM.

Institute of Molecular Life Sciences, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland; Professor Mark Robinson – Epigenetic (Methylation) Analyses of Chronic Widespread Pain

Institute of Psychology, University of Zurich, Switzerland; Professor Andreas Maercker – Epigenetic and Telomere Research into Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and Trauma

Institute of Psychology, University of Zurich, Switzerland; Professor Guy Bodenmann – Dyadic Dynamics: Partner-related Fascination and its Role for an Individual’s Sexual Health.

School of Psychology and Counselling, Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia; Professor Robert Schweitzer – The Role of Interpersonal Factors in Female Sexual Functioning

Department of Twin Research, King’s College London, United Kingdom; Professor Timothy Spector and Fran Williams – Chronic Widespread Pain.

Institute of Psychiatry, King’s College London, United Kingdom; Dr. Qazi Rahman. Evolutionary Theories on Sexual Orientation

Molecular Endocrinology & Genetics Laboratory, Australia. Molecular Endocrinology of Sexual Dysfunction; Prof. Scott Wilson

Department of Public Health, Qazvin University of Medical Sciences, Qazvin, Iran; Dr. Amir Pakpour – Research on Various Aspects of Quality of Life as well as Validation and Cultural Adaption of a Range of Measurement Instruments.

Queensland Institute of Medical Research, Australia. Evolutionary Theories and Genetics of Human Mate Preferences; Dr. Brendan Zietsch, Prof. Nick Martin.

University Akademi Abo, Centre of Excellence in Behavioral Genetics. Genetic Epidemiology of Sexual Problems; Prof. Pekka Santilla, Prof. Kenneth Sandnabba

Media (a selection)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k6KYVzptN_g

<http://www.srf.ch/play/tv/aeschbacher/video/andrea-burri?id=251e447f-73b1-41cf-98b9-cdc80ce79b12>

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<http://www.swissinfo.ch/eng/psychologist-strives-to-break-sex-taboo/30839474>

<http://www.schweizer-illustrierte.ch/dossier/andrea-burri>

<http://www.schweizer-illustrierte.ch/stars/schweiz/sex-ist-mein-taegliches-brot>

<http://www.tagesanzeiger.ch/leben/gesellschaft/Die-Sexforscherin-die-Sex-fuer-ueberbewertet-haelt/story/22721635>