

Curriculum vitae

Personal data

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Current position

02/2002 - present **Max-Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry, Göttingen, Germany**
Postdoctoral fellow in the Department for Theoretical and Computational Biophysics, headed by PD Dr. Helmut Grubmüller

Education

01/2002 **PhD in theoretical physics**, Georg-August Universität, Göttingen
07/1998 - 01/2002 PhD thesis: *Towards the Catalytic Mechanism of Acetylcholinesterase*
Promoter: PD Dr. Helmut Grubmüller
12/1997 **Diploma in physics**, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
06/1996 - 12/1997 Diploma thesis: *EPR Spectroscopy and Spectra Simulation of Site-Directed Spin-Labeled Lysozyme- and Bacteriorhodopsin-Mutants*,
Department of Biophysics, Ruhr-Universität Bochum,
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Heinz-Jürgen Steinhoff
09/1989 - 12/1997 **Study of physics**, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

Research interests

- Using and developing computational techniques to study dynamics and function of proteins and protein-ligand interactions at the atomic level
 - Applying computational techniques to identify and optimize lead compounds in proteins
- past
- EPR spectra simulation from molecular dynamics simulations for structure refinement and function analysis
 - targeted molecular dynamics (TMD) simulations
- present
- accelerated molecular dynamics techniques for the study of chemical reactions
 - free energy perturbation calculations
 - large-scale molecular dynamics simulations and related techniques to study protein ligand interactions and to improve the efficiency and accuracy of molecular docking
 - 'first principles docking'
 - structure-based ligand design
- future directions
- combine bio-informatics, chem-informatics, molecular docking and molecular dynamics techniques to improve knowledge-based strategies for structure-based drug design (e.g. virtual screening)

Work experience and teaching

- 06/1998 Università degli Studi di Roma 'Tor Vergata', Italy
Research visit at the Department of Biology, Prof. A. Desideri, EPR spectra simulation from molecular dynamics simulation
- 03/1998 - 04/1998 Max-Planck Institute für Molecular Physiology, Dortmund
build an ICM module for the characterization of protein interfaces
- 01/1998 - 02/1998 Department of Biophysics, Bochum
teaching: modelling software package INSIGHTII
- 04/1997 - 07/1997 Department of Biophysics, Bochum
teaching: graphics and modelling software packages
- 03/1995 - 12/1996 Department of Biochemistry of Plants, Bochum
Targeted molecular dynamics simulation of RuBISCO

Referee assistance for journals

Journal of Molecular Modelling
Biophysical Journal
ChemBioChem

Further training

09/2002	Haeraeus summer school in Halle <i>Computational Material Sciences</i>
09/2000	Summer school in Vienna <i>Drug design</i>
09/1995	Haeraeus summer school in Chemnitz <i>Computational physics</i>
01/1989 - 05/1989	Course of instruction of Handwerkskammer Münster <i>Principals of electrical engineering</i>

Skills

languages	German (mother tongue), English (fluent), Italian (basic knowledge)
IT (experienced)	Standard software (MS Office, CorelDraw, Origin, PhotoImpact, ...), Operating systems (Windows98, Windows XP, Linux, IRIX, ...), Modelling software (INSIGHTII, Pymol, ...), Shell programming
IT (basic knowledge)	FORTRAN77, C, Python Modelling software (Sybyl)

Military service

07/1988 - 09/1989	Topographiebatterie 800 in Münster
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Activities

Handball (for 22 years up to semiprofessional level),
Coach of youth handball teams (for 7 years),
Fitness training,
Chess

Publications and patents

Refereed international journals

- 2006 E. M. Müller, and H. Grubmüller, *First Principles Docking: A Molecular Dynamics Approach*, (in preparation)
- 2006 J. B. Sørensen, K. Wiederhold, E. M. Müller, I. Milosevic, G. Nagy, B. L. de Groot, H. Grubmüller, D. Fasshauer, and E. Neher, *Sequential N- to C-terminal zippering of the SNARE complex drives priming and Ca²⁺-dependent fusion of secretory vesicles*, *EMBO J.* **25**, 955–966 (2006)
- 2006 F. J. M. Detmers, B. L. de Groot, E. M. Müller, A. Hinton, S. L. Flitsch, H. Grubmüller, and P. M. T. Deen, *Quaternary ammonium compounds as aquaporin water channel blocker: specificity, potency and putative site of action*, *J. Biol. Chem.* **281**, 14207–14214 (2006)
- 2005 G. Nagy, I. Milosevic, D. Fasshauer, E. M. Müller, B. L. de Groot, T. Lang, M. C. Wilson, and J. B. Sørensen, *Alternative splicing of SNAP-25 regulates secretion through non-conservative substitutions in the SNARE complex*, *Molecular Biology of the Cell.* **16(12)**, 5675–5685 (2005)
- 2002 E. M. Müller, A. de Meijere, and H. Grubmüller, *Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding*, *Journal of Chemical Physics.* **116**, 897–905 (2002)
- 2000 H.-J. Steinhoff, M. Müller, C. Beier, and M. Pfeiffer, *Simulation and EPR spectroscopy of nitroxide side chains in bacteriorhodopsin*, *Journal of Molecular Liquids.* **84**, 17–27 (2000)
- 1996 G. F. Wildner, J. Schlitter, and M. Müller, *RUBISCO, an old Challenge with new Perspectives*, *Zeitschrift für Naturforschung.* **51c**, 263–276 (1996)

Patents

- 2004 P. M. T. Deen, F. J. M. Detmers, S. Hohmann, S. Nielsen, J. Frøkiær, A. Engel, P. J. L. Werten, K. H. Grubmüller, B. L. de Groot, E. M. Müller, S. L. Flitsch, and F. K. Brown
Use of Quaternary Ammonium Compounds as Specific Blockers of Transport through Aquaporin, Compositions Comprising the Compounds and Method of Selecting the Compounds.

Others

- 2004 A. de Meijere, H. Schill, S. I. Kozhushkov, R. Walsh, E. M. Müller, and H. Grubmüller, *Cyclopropylidenes, Bicyclopropylidenes, Vinylcarbenes - Some Modes of Formation and Preparative Applications*, Russian Chemical Bulletin. **53(3)**, 947–959 (2004)
- 2002 M. Müller, *Molekulardynamik-Simulationen zum Katalysemechanismus der Acetylcholinesterase*, Dissertation (PhD thesis)
- 2000 M. Müller, and H. Grubmüller, *Systematic Search for a 'Back Door' in Acetylcholinesterase*, (meeting abstract) European Biophysical Journal, **29**, 282 (2000)
- 1997 M. Müller, *ESR-Spektroskopie und Spektrensimulation von ortsspezifisch spinmarkierten Lysozym- und Bakteriorhodopsinmutanten*, Diplomarbeit

Conference contributions

Talks

- 02/2006 Biophysical Society Annual Meeting 2006, Salt Lake City
Inhibition of human Aquaporin 1: A Docking and Molecular Dynamics Study
- 09/2005 The 4th International Conference on Aquaporins 2005, Liege
Inhibition of human Aquaporin 1: A Docking and Molecular Dynamics Study
- 08/2004 μ -TheoChem: Modelling and Understanding in Theoretical Chemistry, Lucca
Inhibition of human Aquaporin 1: A Molecular Dynamics Study
- 06/2004 BI Structural Research and Computational Chemistry Meeting, Biberach
Molecular Dynamics Simulations: Can they Contribute to structure-based drug design?
- 05/2004 Darmstädter Molecular Modelling Workshop, Erlangen
Molekulardynamik Simulationen zur Inhibierung von humanem Aquaporin 1
- 02/2004 EU-Meeting: Action, Kopenhagen
Preliminary MD-Simulation Results for hAQP1 Inhibition with TEA
- 12/2003 EU-Meeting: Aquaplugs, Nijmegen
Preliminary MD-Simulation Results for hAQP1 Inhibition with TEA

- 09/2003 Workshop: Methods of Molecular Modelling and Simulation, Heidelberg,
'Conformational Flooding': A Method to Predict Product States in Biological and Chemical Reactions
- 05/2003 EU-Meeting: Aquaplugs, Aarhus
Preliminary MD-Simulation Results for hAQP1 Inhibition with TEA
- 03/2003 Methods in Biomolecular Simulation, Schloss Ringberg/Rottach-Egern,
'Conformational Flooding': A Method to Predict Product States in Biological and Chemical Reactions
- 11/2002 16. CIC-Workshop, Kleinmachnow/Berlin,
'Chemical Flooding': Eine neue Methode zur Vorhersage chemischer Reaktionen
- 04/2002 Molecular Modelling Workshop, Darmstadt,
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
- 05/2001 Computer Simulation and Theory of Biomolecules, Hünfeld,
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding

Posters

- 08/2004 μ -TheoChem: Modelling and Understanding in Theoretical Chemistry, Lucca
Inhibition of human Aquaporin 1: A Molecular Dynamics Study
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
- 06/2004 2004 ISQBP President's Meeting, Como
Inhibition of human Aquaporin 1: A Molecular Dynamics Study
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
- 05/2004 Darmstädter Molecular Modelling Workshop, Erlangen
Inhibition of human Aquaporin 1: A Molecular Dynamics Study
- 05/2004 Computer Simulation and Theory of Macromolecules 2004, Hünfeld
Inhibition of human Aquaporin 1: A Molecular Dynamics Study
- 04/2004 Fourth Annual Structure-Based Drug Design, Boston
Inhibition of human Aquaporin 1: A Molecular Dynamics Study
- 07/2003 Modelling Chemical Reactivity: from gas-phase to solution and enzymes, Nancy,
A Systematic Search for a 'Back Door' in Acetylcholinesterase
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
Prediction of Rearrangement and Fragmentation Reactions: [3]Rotane as an Example
- 07/2003 European Biophysics Congress 2003, Alicante,
A Systematic Search for a 'Back Door' in Acetylcholinesterase
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
Prediction of Rearrangement and Fragmentation Reactions: [3]Rotane as an Example
- 02/2003 295. Haeraeus-Seminar: Biological Physics of Proteins – Structure, Flexibility and Function, Bad Honnef,
A Systematic Search for a 'Back Door' in Acetylcholinesterase
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
- 11/2002 16. CIC-Workshop, Kleinmachnow/Berlin,
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
Prediction of Rearrangement and Fragmentation Reactions: [3]Rotane as an Example

- 09/2002 Jahrestagung der biophysikalischen Gesellschaft, Dresden,
A Systematic Search for a 'Back Door' in Acetylcholinesterase
Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
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- 04/2002 Molecular Modelling Workshop, Darmstadt,
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(Award for the best poster: *A Systematic Search for a 'Back Door' in*
***Acetylcholinesterase*)**
- 04/2002 Computer Simulation and Theory of Biomolecules, Hünfeld,
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- 05/2001 Computer Simulation and Theory of Biomolecules, Hünfeld,
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- 05/2001 Molecular Modelling Workshop, Darmstadt,
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Predicting unimolecular chemical reactions: Chemical flooding
- 09/2000 3. European Biophysics Congress 2000, München ,
Poster: *A Systematic Search for a 'Back Door' in Acetylcholinesterase*