

# Martin Zenke, PhD, Professor of Cell Biology

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## Personal Data

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## Affiliation

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## University Education

1979 - 1982	Graduate studies in Molecular and Cell Biology, Institute for Virus Research, German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ), Heidelberg, Germany
1972 – 1978	Studies in Chemistry/Biochemistry and Medicine, Philipps-University, Marburg, Germany

## Academic Qualifications

1992	Lecture qualification (Habilitation) in Molecular Genetics, Faculty of Life Sciences, Vienna University, Vienna, Austria
1982	PhD, Faculty of Life Sciences, Ruprecht-Karls-University, Heidelberg, Germany
1978	Diplom (Master), Chemistry/Biochemistry, Philipps-University, Marburg, Germany

## Scientific Career

Since 2022	Senior Professor of Cell Biology, c/o Department of Hematology, Oncology and Stem Cell Transplantation, Department of Medicine IV, RWTH Aachen University Medical School, RWTH Aachen University, Aachen, Germany
2003 - 2022	Professor of Cell Biology (C4) and Chairman, Institute for Biomedical Engineering, Department of Cell Biology, RWTH Aachen University Medical School and Helmholtz Institute for Biomedical Engineering, RWTH, Aachen, Germany
2011 - 2014	Managing Director Helmholtz Institute for Biomedical Engineering (3 years legislative period), RWTH Aachen University, Aachen, Germany
1995 - 2003	Research Group Leader (C3), Max-Delbrück-Center for Molecular Medicine (MDC), Berlin, Germany
1988 - 1995	Junior Scientist and Group Leader, Institute of Molecular Pathology (IMP), Vienna, Austria
1985 - 1988	EMBL Fellow and Staff Scientist with Thomas Graf and Hartmut Beug, Differentiation Programme, European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL), Heidelberg, Germany
1982 - 1985	Postdoctoral Fellow with Pierre Chambon, Université Louis Pasteur and Laboratoire de Genetique Moleculaire des Eucaryotes (LGME), Strasbourg, France

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## Functions

Editorial Board *Journal Biological Chemistry* (since 2015)

Member of “*Gene Technology Report*”, Berlin Institute of Health, BIH, Berlin, Germany (since 2013)

Initiator and coordinator of *StemCellFactory* project ([www.stemcellfactory.de](http://www.stemcellfactory.de); since 2010)

Member of “*Central Ethics Committee for Stem Cell Research*”, Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and Federal Ministry of Health (BMG), Berlin, Germany (since 2008)

Secondary affiliation at the Faculty of Mathematics, Computer Science and Natural Sciences, RWTH Aachen University, Aachen, Germany (since 2005)

Steering Committee “*Stem Cell Network North Rhine-Westphalia*”, Düsseldorf, Germany (since 2004)

*Ad hoc Review Activities (Journals, selection):*

Genes & Development, EMBO Journal, Blood, Development, EMBO Reports, Nature Biotech., Nature Rev. Mol. Cell Biol., Genome Biol., J. Gene Med., Gene, J. Mol. Med., J. Cell Sci., Int. J. Biochem. Cell Biol., Oncogene, Differentiation, Cancer Letters, Immunobiology, Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA, BBA, Cells Tissues Organs, Mol. Thera., PLoS Biology, Exp. Hematol., J. Biochem., J. Immunol., PLoS ONE, Trends Biotechn., Exp. Opin. Biol. Ther., Stem Cells; Eur. J. Cell Biol., Dev. Biol., Nucl. Acid Res., Stem Cells Dev., PLoS Genomics, J. Biol. Chem., Scientific Reports, Immunity, J. Exp Med., Nature Commun., Nature Immunol., Cell Reports, iScience, Stem Cell Reports.

*Ad hoc Review Activities (Institutions, selection):*

European Commission, Brussels, Belgium; German Research Foundation (DFG), Bonn, Germany; Human Frontier Science Program (HFSP), Strasbourg, France; Ministere de la Recherche de la France, Paris, France; NOW-Council, Earth and Life, Den Haag, The Netherlands; Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds, Ingelheim, Germany; Austrian Science Fund (FWF), Vienna, Austria; Center National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Paris, France; National Medical Research Council (NMRC) Singapur; Norwegian Research Council, Oslo, Norway; Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation, Madrid, Spain; Medical Research Council (MRC), London, UK; Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Bonn, Germany; Melinda and Bill Gates Foundation, Seattle, USA; European Research Council (ERC), Brussels, Belgium

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## Important publications

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