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A. Areas of expertise and research interests

Posttraumatic stress disorder, other psychiatric disorders (epidemiology), substance abuse, substance abuse care research, knowledge transfer, diagnostic interviews, stress and coping.

B. Education

10/1987 Psychology, M.A., Paris-Lodron-University of Salzburg, Austria
01/1992 Clinical Psychology, Ph.D., Paris-Lodron-University of Salzburg, Austria

C. Positions

Positions and Employment

1992 – 1997 Research assistant at the Max-Planck Institute of Psychiatry, Munich, Germany (group leader on epidemiology of substance use, and substance use disorders in the Early Developmental Stages of Psychopathology Study, EDSP);
1997 – 2000 Scientific assistant at the University of Regensburg, Department of Psychiatry
2001 – 2009 Scientific assistant at the University of Dresden (group leader on Epidemiology of substance use);
2010 – 2011 Senior researcher at the Protestant University of Applied Sciences in Ludwigsburg, Germany;
Since 2012 Scientific assistant at the University of Zurich, Switzerland (WHO group for ICD-11)
Since 2013 Lecturer at the Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University, Germany

Other Experience and Professional Memberships (selected)

1996-present Reviewer for Drug and Alcohol Dependence, Addiction, Archives of General Psychiatry, International Journal of Methods in Psychiatric Research and others;
2010-2011 Lecturer for Clinical Psychology and Public health (substitutional)

D. Selected peer-reviewed publications (first and co-authorship)

- 1 Perkonigg, A., Lieb, R. & Wittchen, H.-U. (1998). Substance use, abuse and dependence in Germany: A review of selected epidemiological data. *European Addiction Research*, 4(1-2), 8-17.
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- 10 Perkonig, A., Settele, A., Pfister, H., Hoefler, M., Fröhlich, C., Zimmermann, P., Lieb, R., Wittchen, H.-U. (2006). Where have they been? Lifetime service use of regular substance users with and without abuse and dependence. *Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology*, 41, 470-479
- 11 Perkonig, A., Goodwin, R. D., Fiedler, A., Behrendt, S., Beesdo, K., Lieb, R. & Wittchen, H.-U. (2008). The natural course of cannabis use, abuse, and dependence during the first decades of life. *Addiction*, 103, 439-449.
- 12 Wittchen, H.-U., Behrendt, S., Perkonig, A., Hoefler, M., Rehm, J., Lieb, R. & Beesdo, K. (2009). A typology of cannabis-related problems among regular users in the first three decades of life: Evidence for heterogeneity and treatment needs. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 102, 151-157.
- 13 Perkonig, A., Rumpf, H.J. & Wittchen, H.-U. (2009) Remission from substance dependence disorders without formal help among adolescents and young adults. *Sucht*, 55(2), 86-97
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