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## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **University education**

1985-1991 Medical School (Univ. Erlangen, Germany)

### **Scientific degrees**

1992 Medical Thesis; Long term prognostic factors for the intertrochanteric osteotomy of the hip, Dept. of Orthopedics, Univ. Erlangen, Germany  
1999 German Habilitation Complex Regional Pain Syndromes, mentor: Prof. Neuendörfer, Univ. Erlangen, Germany

### **Professional experience**

1991-1992 Internship, Dept. of Neurology and Physiology, University of Erlangen, Germany  
1993-1999 Fellow, Departments for Physiology and experimental Pathophysiology, of Neurology and of Psychiatry, University of Erlangen, Germany  
1999-2002 Assistant Professor at the Dept. of Neurology, University Erlangen  
since 2002 University Professor, Head of Section on Pain Research and Pain Treatment, Clinical Neurologist, Pain Therapist, Department of Neurology, University Medical Centre Mainz, Germany  
since 2020 Head of Clinic, Department of Neurology, University Medical Centre Mainz, Germany

### **Awards and honors**

1998 Körnmüller Award, German Society for Clinical Neurophysiology  
2000 Sertürner Award, Sertürner Society, Einbeck, Germany  
2004, 2009 Clinical Research Award, German Foundation for the Study of Pain  
2012-2015 Adjunct Professor; Murdoch University, School of Psychology, Perth, WA  
2014 Plenary lecture World Congress on Pain, Buenos Aires  
2016 Plenary lecture British Pain Society, Harrogate, GB

### Editorial boards:

2005-2020 "Neurology"  
since 2006 "European Journal of Pain"  
since 2009 "Pain Medicine"

### Memberships, panels and coordinating functions:

Memberships: IASP, Dt. Schmerzgesellschaft, AAN, DGKN, DGN  
2008, 2010, 2021 Scientific Committee German Clinical Neurophysiology Congress

### Max. 10 most important publications

1. **Birklein F**, Walther D, Bigalke H, Winterholler M, Erbguth F. Sudomotor testing predicts the presence of neutralizing botulinum A toxin antibodies. *Ann Neurol* 2002; 52(1):68-73.
2. Kramer HH, Rolke R, Bickel A, **Birklein F**. Thermal thresholds predict painfulness of diabetic neuropathies. *Diabetes Care*. 2004 Oct;27(10):2386-91.
3. Maihofner C, Handwerker HO, **Birklein F**. Functional imaging of allodynia in complex regional pain syndrome. *Neurology*. 2006 Mar 14;66(5):711-7.
4. C. Geber, W. Magerl, R. Fondel, M. Fechir, R. Rolke, T. Vogt, R. D. Treede, and **F. Birklein**. Numbness in clinical and experimental pain - A cross-sectional study exploring the mechanisms of reduced tactile function. *Pain* 139:73-81, 2008.
5. Marinus J, Moseley GL, **Birklein F**, Baron R, Maihöfner C, Kingery WS, van Hilten JJ. Clinical features and pathophysiology of complex regional pain syndrome. *Lancet Neurol*. 2011 Jul;10(7):637-48.
6. Geber C, Breimhorst M, Burbach B, Egenolf C, Baier B, Fechir M, Koerber J, Treede RD, Vogt T, **Birklein F**. Pain in chemotherapy-induced neuropathy – more than neuropathic? *Pain*. 2013 Dec;154(12):2877-87.
7. Hirsch S, Ibrahim A, Krämer L, Escolano-Lozano F, Schlereth T, **Birklein F**. Bone Trauma Causes Massive but Reversible Changes in Spinal Circuitry. *J Pain*. 2017 PMID: 28062308.
8. **Birklein F**, Ajit SK, Goebel A, Perez RSGM, Sommer C. Complex regional pain syndrome - phenotypic characteristics and potential biomarkers. *Nat Rev Neurol*. 2018 May;14(5):272-284.
9. Dietz C, Müller M, Reinhold AK, Karch L, Schwab B, Forer L, Vlckova E, Brede EM, Jakubietz R, Uçeyler N, Meffert R, Bednarik J, Kress M, Sommer C, Dimova V, **Birklein F\***, Rittner HL\*. What is normal trauma healing and what is complex regional pain syndrome I? An analysis of clinical and experimental biomarkers. *Pain*. 2019 Oct;160(10):2278-2289.\* equal contribution
10. Dimova V, Herrnberger MS, Escolano-Lozano F, Rittner HL, Vlckova E, Sommer C, Maihöfner C, **Birklein F**. Clinical phenotypes and classification algorithm for complex regional pain syndrome. *Neurology*. 2020 Jan 28;94(4):e357-e367.