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Academic qualifications

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| 1993 | Master of Science, Biology, University of Innsbruck |
| 1999 | Doctorate, Biology, University of Innsbruck |
| 2001 | Habilitation/Venia docendi, Legal Medicine, University of Innsbruck |

Miscellaneous qualifications

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| Since 2017 | Associate editor of the journal "Forensic Science International Genetics" |
| Since 2016 | Scientific co-developer and curator of the STR database STRidER (https://strider.online) |
| Since 2016 | Editorial Board member of "Journal of Forensic Sciences Research" |
| Since 2008 | Editorial Board member of "International Journal of Legal Medicine" |
| Since 2007 | Editorial Board member of "Open Forensic Science Journal" |
| Since 2007 | Editorial Board member of the journal "Problems of Forensic Sciences" |
| Since 2007 | Editorial Board member of the "Forensic Science International Genetics" |
| Since 2006 | Scientific developer and curator of the mtDNA database EMPOP (https://empop.online) |
| Since 2004 | Curator of the ENFSI DNA WG STR frequency database (www.strbase.org) |
| Since 2001 | Quality Assurance Auditor (ISO EN 17025) |

Personal scientific awards

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| 2009 | Elected member to the "National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina" |
| 2005 | Scientific award of the International Society for Forensic Genetics (ISFG) |
| 2004 | Scientific award of the German Society of Legal Medicine, 'Wissenschaftspreis der |

Deutschen Gesellschaft für Rechtsmedizin' (DGRM)

Elected Memberships

- Since 2016 President of the International Society of Forensic Genetics (ISFG)
- Since 2012 Member of the executive board of the International Society of Forensic Genetics (ISFG)
- Since 2009 Elected active member to the "National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina"
- Since 2007 Associate member of the European Academy of Forensic Sciences (EAFS)
- Since 2000 Member of the 'Scientific Advisory Board' of the 'International Commission on Missing Persons' (ICMP), since 2004 Steering Committee of ICMP

Other Memberships

- Since 2001 Member of the German Society of Legal Medicine, 'Deutsche Gesellschaft für Rechtsmedizin' (DGRM)
- Since 2001 Member of the International Society of Forensic Genetics (ISFG)
- Since 2001 Member of the Austrian Society of Legal Medicine, 'Österreichische Gesellschaft für Gerichtliche Medizin' (ÖGGM)
- Since 1999 Austrian member of the DNA Working Group of the European Network of Forensic Science Institutes (ENFSI DNA WG)
- Since 1998 Austrian member of the European DNA Profiling Group (EDNAP)

Publications

>350 original peer-reviewed publications; details see:

https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Walther_Parson