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**Education & Training**

Fellowship in Neuropathology, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 2017 - 2019  
Residency in Anatomic Pathology, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 2015 - 2017  
Residency in Neuropathology, Charite Medical University, Berlin, Germany 2008 - 2011

Residency in Neuropathology, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland 2006 - 2008

Doctoral research degree (Summa cum laude), awarded 2006, LMU Munich 2002 - 2005

M.D., LMU Munich, Munich, Germany 1999 - 2005

# Academic, Administrative & Clinical Appointments

Assistant Professor 2019 - Present  
Department of Pathology, College of Medicine  
University of Florida

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Director, UF Neuromedicine Human Brain and Tissue Bank 2019 - Present

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Attending Physician in Neuropathology 2011 - 2015  
Department of Neuropathology  
Charite Medical University  
Berlin, Germany

**Military Service**

Mandatory German Military Service, Medical division. 1998 - 1999

**Certification and Licensure**

*Diplomate, American Board of Pathology* 2019 - present *Pathology Anatomic*

*Neuropathology*

*Florida State medical license (active) 2019 – present*

*Pennsylvania State medical license (active) 2018 - present*

*ECFMG certification 2015*

*Neuropathology board certification, Swiss medical society (FMH) 2011*

**Honors and Awards**

*European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) Long-term Fellowship (Postdoctoral fellowship)* 2006-2007

Undergraduate stipend Molecular Medicine (FöFoLe, Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich) 2002-2003

**Research or Clinical Interests**

*Neurodegenerative disease*

*Alzheimer’s disease*

*Parkinson’s disease*

*Frontotemporal dementia*

**Grants and Contracts**

*Current*

*UF Health Pilot Studies in Lewy Body Dementia (Prokop, PI) 1/1/2020-31/12/2020*

*Mangurian Foundation*

*Profiling the innate immune response in Dementia with Lewy body brain samples*

*Role: PI*

*NIH-NIA P50 AG047266-03 (Golde, PI) 8/15/2015-5/31/2020*

*University of Florida - Mt. Sinai Medical Center AD Research Center*

*My role as neuropathology core leader in this ADRC is to provide neuropathological diagnosis for deceased ADRC subjects and oversee brain and tissue collection, storage and distribution.*

*Role: Neuropathology core leader*

*Pending*

*NIH-NIA P30 AG047266 (Golde PI) 6/1/2020-5/31/2025*

*University of Florida - Mt. Sinai Medical Center AD Research Center*

*I will continue my role as neuropathology core leader in this ADRC renewal is to provide neuropathological diagnosis for deceased ADRC subjects and oversee brain and tissue collection, storage and distribution.*

*Role: Neuropathology core leader*

*Score:23*

*Past*

Neuropathology Administrative Supplement to the Alzheimer’s Disease Core Center at the University of Pennsylvania (supplement to NIH/NIA P30 AG010124) 07/01/2017-06/30/2018

National institute on aging (NIA) $ 150,000 direct/year

*Comprehensive analysis of myeloid cells across neuropathological stages of Alzheimer’s disease (AD) and related dementias (RD)*

**Professional Memberships**

American Association of Neuropathologists2018 – present

College of American Pathologists 2015 – present

Society for Neuroscience 2015 – present

Swiss Medical Society (FMH) 2011 – present

German Medical Society (Deutsche Aerztekammer) 2005 – present

**Editorial Positions, Boards, & Peer-Review Services**

*Ad hoc peer reviewer for Acta Neuropathologica, Acta Neuropathologica communications, EMBO reports, Alzheimer’s research and therapy, Brain, Nature Neuroscience, JAMA Neurology, Molecular Neurodegeneration, Nature Neuroscience, Neuroscience, Plos One.*

**Clinical Activities & Quality Improvement Initiatives**

*Brain autopsy service*

*I provide the brain autopsy service for in-house cases, and neuropathology consults from outside hospitals and the medical examiner’s office.*

*I also provide the brain autopsy service and full neuropathological workup for the 1Florida ADRC and the UF Neuromedicine Human brain and Tissue bank*

**Teaching**

*Teaching of medical students, graduate, undergraduate student, residents and fellows in weekly brain cutting sessions.*

*Supervising neuropathology fellows, pathology residents, rotating residents and medical students in microscope signout sessions.*

*BMS 6020 (Clinical Neuroscience) Lab teaching assistant Fall 2019*

*GMS 6705 (Functional Neuroanatomy) Neuropathology labs Fall 2019*

*GMS 7794 (Neurscience seminar) Neuroimmune interactions in neurodegenerative diseases 9/19/2019*

*GMS 6757 (Introduction to ADRD: Clinical and Mechanistic principles) Neuropathology of AD 10/1/2019*

*GMS 6757 (Introduction to ADRD: Clinical and Mechanistic principles) Spectrum of Neuropathology in ADRD (B. Giasson) 10/2/2019*

*GMS 6757 (Introduction to ADRD: Clinical and Mechanistic principles) Tau versus Abeta, conference 10/8/2019*

*Rheumatology grand rounds “Neuroimmune interactions in neurodegenerative disease” 11/15/19*

*Neurodegenerative disease part 1 lectures for Neurology residents 3/11/20*

*Neurodegenerative disease part 2 lecture for Neurology residents 3/27/20*

**Committee, Organizational & Volunteer Services**

*ADRC digital pathology working group – Working on implementing digital pathology in the workflow of Alzheimer’s disease research centers 2019 - present*

*Search committee Research assistant professor position in the Center for translational research in neurodegenerative disease (Chair: Jose Abisambra) 2020*

National Institute on Aging Genetics of Alzheimer's Disease Data Storage Site (NIAGADS) – Data use committee member 2020 - present

**Visiting Professorships, Seminars, and Extramural Invited Presentations**

Lectures by Invitation:

“Comprehensive analysis of innate immune responses in neurodegenerative diseases” PSP/Lewy body disorder think tank, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL April, 2019

“Impact of Trem2 risk variants on brain region specific immune activation and plaque microenvironment in Alzheimer’s disease patient brain samples” Biomarker meeting at Boston university, Boston, MA April, 2019

“Neuroimmune interactions in neurodegenerative diseases”, Neurology grand rounds, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL November, 2018

“Neuroimmune interactions in neurodegenerative diseases”, Mayo clinic, Jacksonville, FL August, 2018

“Neuroimmune interactions in neurodegenerative diseases”, Cognitive Neurology and Alzheimer’s disease center, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL June, 2018

“The New WHO Classification and the Role of Integrated Molecular Profiling in the Diagnosis of Malignant Gliomas”, Neuro-Oncology Symposium, Penn Medicine’s Abramson Cancer Center and The Penn Brain Tumor Center, Philadelphia, PA June, 2018

“Comprehensive analysis of myeloid cells across neuropathological stages of Alzheimer’s disease (AD) and related dementias (RD)” Presented at 2017 Fall ADC Meeting, Neuropathology core leaders meeting; San Diego, CA. October, 2017

“Neuroimmune interactions in neurodegenerative disease”, Institute for Neurodegenerative Diseases (IND), University of California San Francisco September, 2013

“Reducing Alzheimer’s disease β-amyloid and cognitive deficits by manipulating IL-12/IL-23 signaling” Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, New Orleans, LA October, 2012

“Neuroimmune interactions in Alzheimer’s disease”, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL May, 2011

**Interviews, Internet appearances, Panel Discussions, Media Events**

Comprehensive analysis of microglia across neuropathological stages of Alzheimer’s disease (AD) Nanostring Technologies Webinar (<https://www.nanostring.com/company/events-archive/comprehensive-analysis-microglia-across-neuropathological-stages-alzheimers-disease-ad>). September 2018

Q&A with Dr. Stefan Prokop – Alzheimer’s: From the Amyloid Hypothesis to the Cellular Phase and Beyond (<http://blog.nanostring.com/qa-with-dr-stefan-prokop-alzheimers-from-the-amyloid-hypothesis-to-the-cellular-phase-and-beyond/>)

**Hobbies and Other activities**

Cycling (Road), Literature (19th and 20th century)

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