

Weninger short bio

Professor Wolfgang Weninger received his M.D. from the University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria in 1991, where he also trained in clinical dermatology and venereology at the same institution. From 1999-2003 he was a postdoctoral fellow at Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA where he studied the mechanisms of immune cell trafficking to the skin. He was then recruited as an Assistant Professor to the Wistar Institute and the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA. In 2007, he became the Raymond E. Purves Professor of Dermatology at the University of Sydney, where he headed the Department of Dermatology at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, Australia. He also led a research group at the Centenary Institute for Cell Biology and Cancer Medicine. In 2018, Professor Weninger became the Chair of the Department of Dermatology, Medical University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria. His clinical and research interests relate to the understanding of the cutaneous immune system in health and disease. Professor Weninger's group is internationally renowned for using high-end imaging technology, such as intravital multi-photon microscopy, to interrogate immune cells behavior in inflammatory and malignant skin diseases. He has discovered and functionally characterized several leukocyte populations, including dermal group 2 innate lymphoid cells and dermal gamma-delta T cells. Professor Weninger is the recipient of numerous competitive grants and national and international awards. His work has been published in leading journals such as Cell, Nature and Science.