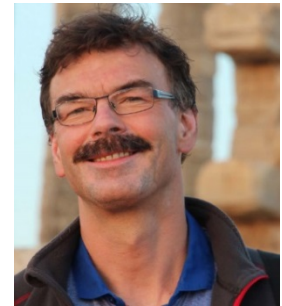


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### • EDUCATION

1994 MD, Medical Faculty, Martin-Luther-University, Halle, Germany  
1989 Diploma in Biophysics, Pirogov Institute Moscow, Russia

### • CURRENT POSITION(S)

2004 - Full Professor of Biophysics  
Department of Physics, Faculty of Engineering and Natural Sciences,  
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### • FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2001 – 2004 Heisenberg Fellow of the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft at the Leibniz  
Institute for Molecular Pharmacology, Berlin, Germany

### • MAIN AREAS OF RESEARCH

My research focuses on molecular mechanisms of membrane transport. Most of the work is carried out on purified and reconstituted proteins. We have pioneered the application of electrochemical microscopy for monitoring both water and weak acid transport across aquaporins. My group found that instead of obeying macroscopic laws of hydrodynamics, water flow through narrow biological channels is governed by the total number of hydrogen bonds that single-file waters may form with pore-lining residues. We also contributed to membrane bioenergetics by demonstrating that proton surface migration between membrane proteins does not rely on proton binding to titratable moieties, but is due to a large entropic barrier – conceivably generated by the waters of membrane hydration. Another field of interest is membrane protein translocation through SecYEG: We showed that the resting channel forms a barrier for small molecules on its own and that this barrier is voltage-dependent. In recent years we have devoted more and more attention to the effects of membrane mechanics on membrane transport phenomena: The major achievement this far is the description of the driving forces behind the registration of membrane domains from different leaflets.

### • COMMISSIONS OF TRUST

2014 – Editorial Board Member: Scientific Reports  
2017- Council Member of IUPAB (International Union of Pure and Applied  
Biophysics)

### • MEMBERSHIPS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

1995 – Member of the American Biophysical Society, USA  
1999 – Member of the German Biophysical Society, Germany  
2004 – Founding Head of the “Medical Biophysics” Subgroup, German Bioph.  
Society  
2004 - Member of the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
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Biotechnology

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