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EDUCATION / ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 08 – 11/2014: Smithsonian Postdoctoral Fellow at the Smithsonian Institutions Archives and the National Museum of Natural History, Washington D.C., and Grant-holder of the Institute for Austrian American Studies
- since 11/2012: Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Department of Contemporary History, University of Vienna within the Project “Tropical Botany in Exile: The Shaping of Tropical Plants and Problems in Southeast-Asia, ca. 1930–1960”
- 2006 – 2009: Doctoral program in philosophy, area of specialisation in history and philosophy of science, University of Vienna. Doctoral Dissertation: “*Sex hormones in the laboratory. The experiments of Eugen Steinach and his cooperation with Schering (1910-1938)*”, defended on 28.06.2011, Department of History, University of Vienna. Both (thesis and oral presentation) were graded magna cum laude (=1,0 highest grade possible).
- 2006 – 2007: Research Assistant, Faculty of Life Sciences, Department of Medicinal/Pharmaceutical Chemistry
- 1997 – 2004: M.A. April 2004, University of Vienna, in Pharmacy. Masters Thesis: “*Thai medicinal plants for the treatment of opportunistic infections*” completed March 2004.

RESEARCH VISITS

- 1/2008 – 4/2008: Guest Researcher at the Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin, Dep. III (hosted by Hans-Jörg Rheinberger)
- 11/2003 – 2/2004: Guest Researcher at the University of Pharmacy, Chiang Mai, Dep. of Pharmacognosy, and the Mahidol University, Bangkok, Dep. of Pharmacognosy; involvement in field studies.

PUBLICATIONS

- (In preparation), Triebe, Reize und Signale: Eugen Steinachs Physiologie der Sexualhormone. Vom biologischen Konzept zum Pharmapräparat, 1894–1928 / *Of drives, stimuli and signals: Eugen Steinach's Physiology of the Sex Hormones. From the biological concept to the pharmaceutical product, 1894–1928.*
- Sexualhormone in der Laborpraxis. Eugen Steinachs Experimente und seine Kooperation mit Schering, 1910-1938 / *Sex Hormones in the Laboratory. The Experiments of Eugen Steinach and his Cooperation with Schering* (Vienna: 2011), p. 304.
- Walter Hohlwegs Laborexperimente zwischen Chemie und Physiologie: Sexualhormone im pharmazeutischen Tierversuch / *Walter Hohlweg's Laboratory Experiments on the Border Between Chemistry and Physiology: Sex hormones in Pharmaceutical Animal Experiments*, in: Soukup, Werner, Christian Noe (eds.), *Pioniere der Sexualhormonforschung* (Vienna: 2010), p. 42-63.
- Thai Medicinal Plants for the Treatment of Opportunistic Infections (Vienna: 2004), p. 146.