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Research

2017 – present	Associate Professor, Max F. Perutz Laboratories, Medical University of Vienna
2012 – 2017	Junior Group Leader, Max F. Perutz Laboratories, Medical University of Vienna
2005 – 2011	Postdoctoral Fellow, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK/NIH) Advisor: Dr. James H. Hurley
2001 – 2005	PhD student, MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology (LMB), Cambridge, U.K. Advisor: Dr. Jan Löwe
2000	Internship, R&D Genetics, AstraZeneca, U.K.

Education

2001 – 2005	PhD, University of Cambridge. Advisor: Jan Löwe, Structural Studies Division
1998 – 2001	BSc (Hons) Biochemistry with Medical Biochemistry, University of Bristol, U.K. (First Class Honours)

Funding

2017 – 2020	Austrian Research Fund (FWF) Project (P 30584) 'Structure, Function, and Regulation of Protein Kinase D.'
2017 – 2020	Austrian Research Fund (FWF) Hertha Firnberg Postdoctoral Fellowship to Dr. Linda Trübestein (T 915).
2017 – 2020	Austrian Research Fund (FWF) Doctoral Program "Signaling Mechanisms in Cellular Homeostasis".
2015 – 2018	Austrian Research Fund (FWF) Project (P 28135) 'Lipid-activated kinases in cell shape and motility.'
2017 – 2017	University of Vienna Thesis Completion Fellowship to I. Lučić.

2015 – 2017	Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds (BIF) PhD Fellowship to D. Elsner.
2014 – 2016	Austrian Academy of Sciences DOC PhD Fellowship to F. von Raussendorf.

Honours and Awards

2016	F1000Prime Faculty Member: Cell Signaling & Trafficking Structures Section
2006-2012	NIDDK Nancy Nossal Fellowship (National Institutes of Health (NIH), U.S.A.)
2006-2008	EMBO Long Term Fellowship

Invited Conference Talks

2018	FASEB conference 'Phospholipids: Dynamic Lipid Signaling in Health and Disease', Steamboat Springs, CO USA
2017	FASEB conference 'Protein Kinases and Protein Phosphorylation', Cambridge, UK
2015	FASEB conference 'Protein Kinases and Protein Phosphorylation', Itasca, IL USA

Teaching/Mentoring Experience

2012 – present	Supervision of five Masters students and four PhD students.
2017 – present	Biophysical Chemistry of Macromolecules
2015 – present	Lecture Series: Advanced Biophysical Methods
2015 – present	Lecture Series: Molecular Medicine I
2014 – present	Lecture Series: Methods in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry
2013 – present	Practical course: Spectroscopic Methods in Molecular Biology
2013 – present	Introductory Course in Cell Signaling
2012	VBC PhD Lecture Series: 'Lipid-Activated Signal Transduction'
2010	Mentor, Summer Internship Program, NIH, U.S.A.
2003 – 2005	Undergraduate Tutor, Corpus Christi College, University of Cambridge, U.K.

Peer Review Activities

Journals	Acta Cryst D; Biochemistry; Cell; Chemical Reviews; Nature Communications; Nature Structural and Molecular Biology; PLoS Biology; PNAS; Science; Science Signaling.
Grant review	Agence Nationale de la Recherche (France).

Publications

Lučić, I., Rathinaswamy, M.K., Truebestein, L., Hamelin, D., Burke, J.E., **Leonard, T.A.** (2018)

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Truebestein, L., Elsner, D.J., **Leonard, T.A.** (2016). Made to measure – keeping Rho kinase at a distance. *Small GTPases* 7(2):82-92 (doi: 10.1080/21541248.2016.1173770). Review.

Truebestein, L., Elsner, D.J., Fuchs, E., **Leonard, T.A.** (2015). A molecular ruler regulates cytoskeletal remodelling by the Rho kinases. *Nature Communications* 6:10029 (doi: 10.1038/10029).

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Gutierrez-Uzquiza, A., Colon-Gonzalez, F., **Leonard, T.A.**, Canagarajah, B.J., Wang, H., Mayer, B., Hurley, J.H., Kazanietz, M.G. (2013). Coordinated activation of the Rac-GAP β2-chimaerin by an atypical proline-rich domain and diacylglycerol. *Nature Communications* 4:1849 (doi: 10.1038/ncomms2834).

Yang, H., Tong, J., **Leonard, T.A.**, Im Y.J. (2013). Structural determinants for phosphatidylinositol recognition by Sfh3 and substrate-induced dimer-monomer transition during lipid transfer cycles. *FEBS Lett.* 5;587(11):1610-6 (doi: 10.1016/j.febslet.2013.04.009).

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Leonard, T.A., Hurley, J.H. (2011). Regulation of protein kinases by lipids. *Curr Opin Struct Biol* 21, 785-791. Review.

Leonard, T.A., Rozycki, B., Saidi, L.F., Hummer, G., Hurley, J.H. (2011). Crystal structure and allosteric activation of Protein Kinase C βII. *Cell* 144 (1), 55-66.

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tail. *Structure* 19 (2) 144-146).

Wu, Y., Sommers, J.A., Suhasini, A.N., **Leonard, T.A.**, Deakyne, J.S., Mazin, A.V., Shin-ya, K., Kitao, H., Brosh, R.M. (2010). Fanconi Anemia Group J Mutation Abolishes its DNA Repair Function by Uncoupling DNA Translocation from Helicase Activity or Disruption of Protein-DNA Complexes. *Blood* 116(19) 3780-91.

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Leonard, T.A., Hurley, J.H. (2007). Two Kinase Family Dramas. *Cell* 129 (6), 1037-1038. Preview.

Leonard, T.A., Møller-Jensen, J., Löwe, J. (2005). Towards understanding the molecular basis of bacterial DNA segregation. *Philos Trans R Soc Lond B Biol Sci*. 360 (1455), 523-35. Review.

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