Junior Group Leaders
19 Highly qualified and motivated independent Junior Group Leaders have joined MFPL since 2008.

History of the Max F. Perutz Laboratories

In the early 1980s, the pharmaceutical company Boehringer Ingelheim (Germany) and biotech company Genetech (US) decided to found a basic research institute, Hans Tuppy, then Rector of the University of Vienna, and the Medical University of Vienna united as the Max F. Perutz Laboratories (MFPL) in 1985, naming our unit after Max Perutz, a Nobel Prize winner who had studied at the University of Vienna, was the most appropriate. Rudolf Schweyen, Director with extensive executive powers who became a joint professor at the University of Vienna and the Medical University of Vienna, was the most appropriate. “The Future of the Vienna Biocenter” – A report by Kim Schweyen, Statement at the 5th year celebration of MFPL.

1985

2008

2010
MFPL's Dragonboat team 2010.

2015
What MFPL’s community say:

“MFPL was born at the cradle of Marie Curie’s city to stay together and support each other by sharing knowledge, helping each other on and off work. In my time at MFPL, I have seen the advancement of the Mailman as well as many of our colleagues who have moved on and made great careers. I also want to state that I am sure MFPL and our achievements will be maintained in the future as the institute is a great place to stay and observe and be a part of.”

Andrea Barta, Group Leader

“Looking back on the past 10 years at MFPL, we have great scientists from all around the world, and extended in the future. MFPL should continue to be the driving force for years to come. I hope that consolidating the excellent human resources built up over the past 10 years and further future developments will enhance MFPL as a breeding ground for excellent science.”

Thomas Kupka, Alumnus

“What MFPL’s community say:

“Great strength of our institute is that we have small and medium-sized groups that focus on narrower, specific research, which is then combined with the efforts of many different people, including the various centres that have been established. As a result, we have a unique balance of high-quality, world-class science that leads us to achieve our goals.”

Manuela Baccarini, Group Leader

“MFPL scientists have won many prestigious research awards: 3 ERC Starting Grants 1 ERC Consolidator Grant 4 START Vienna Research Groups for Young Investigators 5 START Peters 7 EMBO Members 1 EMBO Young Investigators 1 Human Frontier in Science Program Grants

Research awards

Third-party funding
On average, MFPL researchers earn €13 million of third-party funding per year.

Third-party funding

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Publications
Almost 2,000 peer-reviewed publications since 2000.

Teaching
On average, 62 Master’s degrees are awarded per year to 1,200 Bachelor degree students.

Research groups
On average, 42 independent research groups with 500 people.

Facilities & Services
Over 40 employees support MFPL scientists with state-of-the-art technology and professional administration.

Research and training center of the University of Vienna and the Medical University of Vienna in the field of Molecular Biology at the Vienna Biocenter (VBC).