

Curriculum Vitae



Biographical Sketch

Name: Professor Dr. rer. nat. Dipl. Biol. Stefanie Dimmeler

Nationality: German

Education/Training

1986 - 1991	Biology Student at the University of Konstanz/Germany
15. February 1991	M.S. in Biology (Dipl. Biol.) (Mark: very good)
March 1991 - Jan. 1993	PhD Student at the Department of Biological Chemistry (Prof. Dr. V. Ullrich), University Konstanz: Title: "Nitric oxide-stimulated ADP-ribosylation"
14. January 1993	Doctoral degree (Dr. rer. nat.) (Mark: very good)
Dec. 1992 - June 1995	Post-doctoral fellow at the Biochemical and Experimental Division of the II. Department of Surgery at the University of Cologne/Germany (Prof. Dr. E. Neugebauer)
June 1995 - Jan 2001	Senior Post-doctoral fellow (Wissenschaftliche Assistentin; C1) at the Medizinischen Klinik IV, Kardiologie, Johann Wolfgang Goethe Universität Frankfurt/Germany (Prof. Dr. Andreas M. Zeiher)
since October 1997	Head Division of "Molecular Cardiology" (Schwerpunkt: Molekulare Kardiologie) at the University of Frankfurt
November 1998	Associate Professor - Habilitation „Experimentelle Medizin“ Title: Endotheldysfunktion in der Atherosklerose - Untersuchungen zur Apoptose von Endothelzellen

January 2001	Professorship for Molecular Cardiology III at the University of Frankfurt (C3 Professur auf Lebenszeit)
December 2005	Visiting Professor Baylor College of Medicine Houston, USA
2006 - 2008	Visiting Professor New York Medical College, USA
2007 - 2008	Edmond Hustinx Chair (Visiting Professor), CARIM, University of Maastricht, Netherlands
since March 2008	Full Professorship (W3) , Director of the Institute of Cardiovascular Regeneration, Center for Molecular Medicine, University Frankfurt/Germany
2008 – 2012	Member of the German Ethical Committee (Deutscher Ethikrat, Berlin/Germany)
June 2009	Visiting Professor at Stanford University
since December 2010	Chief Editor “ EMBO Molecular Medicine ”
April 2012	Visiting Professor during the Robert L. Krakoff International Lectureship in Cardiovascular Medicine, Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA

Honors and Awards

- 1991 Foundation of German Sciences (Preis des Stifterverbands für die deutsche Wissenschaft), Award
- 1991 Fellowship "Graduiertenkolleg: Biochemische Pharmakologie"
- 1992 Fellowship: "Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds"
- 1994 Fritz-Küllz-Award of the German Association of Pharmacology and Toxicology
- 1997/98 Habilitationsstipendium of the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
- 1998 Award of the German Heart Foundation (Forschungspreis der Deutschen Stiftung für Herzforschung)
- 1999 Award of the Herbert and Hedwig Eckelmann-Foundation
- 2000 Award of the German Cardiac Society (Fraenkel-Preis der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Kardiologie-Herz-Kreislauftforschung)
- since 2001 Fellow of the „American Heart Association“
- 2002 Alfred Krupp-Award 2002
- 2004 Forssmann Award 2004
- 2005 Leibniz Award of the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
- 2005 George E. Brown Memorial Lecture at the Scientific Session of the AHA 2005
- 2006 FEBS Anniversary Prize 2006
- 2006 Basic Science Lecture and Silver Medal of the European Society of Cardiology 2006
- 2006 Karl-Landsteiner Vorlesung (named lecture) of the German Association for Transfusion Medicine and Immunhematology
- 2007 Ernst Jung Award 2007
- 2008 Science4Life Award 2008
- 2010 Research Award of the GlaxoSmithKline Foundation
- 2010 Chief Editor of the Journal "EMBO Molecular Medicine"
- 2010 Life Achievement Award by Dutch-German Molecular Cardiology Working Groups

Editorial Board Member

- Arteriosclerosis Thrombosis Vascular Biology (ATVB) (2001-present)
 Basic Research in Cardiology (2001-present)
 Circulation (2001-present)
 Circulation Research (2000 – present, Associated Editor since 2008)
 European Heart Journal (Associated Editor for basic science since 2008)
 Journal of Clinical Investigation (2005- present)

Reviewer (selection)

- Cancer Cell, Cell, EMBO Journal, FASEB Journal, Journal of Biological Chemistry, Journal of Experimental Medicine, Nature Cell Biology, Nature Medicine, New England Journal of Medicine, Molecular Cell, PNAS, Science
 Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz and Heinz Maier-Leibnitz Award Committees of the German Research Foundation
 ERC start-up grants - Panel member (since 2010) and chair (2014)

Patents

- 2003 "Endothelial nitric oxide synthase transcription enhancers" (Dimmeler/Zeiher/Heeschen) (WO2004EP11944 20041022; EP20030025512 20031106; US20040979399 20041102; US20040583622P 20040629)
- 2002 „CD40ligand and placental growth factor (plgf) used as a biochemical marker combination in cardiovascular diseases“ (Dimmeler/Zeiher/Heeschen) (DE 10253525.6 (16.11.02) and DE 10316059.0 (8.4.03); DE20021053525 20021116; DE20031016059 20030408; WO2003EP12531 2003110)
- 2003 „PIGF and Flt-1 as prognostic parameters for cardiovascular disease“ (Dimmeler/Zeiher/Heeschen) (DE200410051847 20041025; WO2005EP11443 20051025)
- 2005 "Shock wave pretreatment as a therapeutic tool for targeted recruitment of stem/progenitor cell" (Dimmeler/Zeiher/Heeschen/Aicher) (US20050304865 20051215; US20040636204P 20041215)
- 2007 "Method for the promotion of angiogenesis, vascularization, or vascular repair or for the inhibition of tumor angiogenesis (miR-92)" (Dimmeler/Zeiher/Kühbacher/Urbich) (DE 102 0007052114.8 30.10.2007)
- 2010 "Antagonists of miRNA-29 expression and their use in the prevention and treatment of aortic aneurysms," (Dimmeler, Zeiher, Boon) - Patent pending
- 2010 "Microvesicles Derived from atheroprotective Endothelial Cells for the Treatment and Prevention of Atherosclerotic Diseases" (Dimmeler, Boon, Hergenreider) - Patent pending
- 2011 "Prevention of age-associated deterioration of heart function by antagonizing microRNA-34a" (Dimmeler, Zeiher, Boon, Fischer) - Patent pending

Conference Organisation (international conferences only)

1st Annual Symposium of the AHA Council of Basic Cardiovascular Sciences "Stress signals, molecular target and the genome", July 14 - 18, 2004; Stevenson, Washington, US

Symposium "Molecular and cellular regulators of vascular homeostasis", March 10 - 11, 2005, Frankfurt, Germany

57th Mosbach Colloquium by the German Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (GBM) "Redox signaling: Mechanisms and Biological Impact", April 6 - 8, 2006, Mosbach, Germany

Keystone Meeting "Mechanisms of Cardiac Disease and Regeneration", February 19 - 24, 2006, Santa Fe, New Mexico, US

Joint 2007 Keystone Symposia "Molecular Pathways in Cardiac Development and Disease/ Integrative Basis of Cardiovascular Disease", January 22 - 27, 2007, Breckenridge, Colorado

Symposium „microRNAs in the cardiovascular system“, September 18th, 2009, Frankfurt, Germany

EMBO Molecular Medicine "Molecular Insights for Innovatice Therapies", December 1 – 3, 2011 Heidelberg, Germany

EMBO Workshop reciprocal interactions of Signaling Pathways & non-coding RNA, September 16 – 19, 2012 Monte Verità, Ascona, Switzerland

Invited Presentations (Selection of 500)

Gordon-Conference "Angiotensin", Oxford, 1999

„Regulation of endothelial cell apoptosis by angiotensin II“

American Heart Association - 73rd Scientific Sessions New Orleans, November 2000

Cardiovascular Seminar. „The role of Akt phosphorylation in eNOS activation“

Nobel Conference on Apoptosis, Stockholm October 2001

“Molecular Mechanisms regulating endothelial cell apoptosis”

American Heart Association – 74th Scientific Sessions Los Angeles, November 2001

Cardiovascular Seminar. „Post-transcriptional regulation of eNOS“

Japanese Circulation Society – 66th Annual Meeting Sapporo, April 2002

Symposium: „Redox signaling and cardiovascular diseases“

Featured Research: „Atherosclerosis: new insights and interventions“

American Heart Association – 75th Scientific Sessions, Chicago November 2002

Frontiers in Basic Science Lecture: „Cardiac muscle cell formation by adult mesangiblasts“

State of the Art Lecture: „Vascular Regeneration and remodeling“

Japanese Circulation Society – 67th Annual Meeting Fukuoka, March 2003

Featured Research Keynote Lecture “Apoptosis and endothelial regeneration“

6th EMBL Minisymposium on Molecular Medicine, Rome May 2003

“Endothelial Progenitor Cells and Cardiac Regeneration”

International Society of Thrombosis and Haemostasis XIXth Congress, Birmingham July 2003

“Stem cell mobilisation and differentiation to endothelial cells”

American Heart Association: Basic biology and insights into ischemic heart disease and heart failure, Snowbird August 2003

“Circulating progenitor cells: molecular mechanisms and clinical relevance”

American Heart Association – 76th Scientific Sessions, Orlando, November 2003

Cardiovascular Seminar. „Endothelial cell apoptosis in atherosclerosis“

Cardiovascular Seminar. „NO and age-related apoptosis“

Keystone Symposium: “Cardiac Development and Congenital Heart Disease” and “Molecular Biology of Heart Disease” Joined Session Keystone, Colorado, March 2004

“Circulating Progenitor Cells for Vasculogenesis and Cardiac Regeneration”

Symposium on Cardiovascular Regenerative Medicine at the NIH, September 2004

Endothelial progenitor cells and tissue regeneration

American Heart Association – 77th Scientific Sessions, New Orleans, November 2004

Special Session: “Endothelial progenitor cells”

Keystone Symposium: The cellular biology of atherosclerosis. Keystone, Colorado, January 2005 Arterial wall-based therapy of atherosclerosis: Stem cell therapies

69th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Japanese Circulation Society March 2005, Yokohama, Japan

1. Circulating progenitor cells for regeneration enhancement in ischemic heart disease
2. Role of acetylation and homeobox genes in endothelial differentiation

Gordon Conference: "Angiogenesis and Microcirculation" Newport, Rhode Island, August 2005

Molecular mechanism regulating homing and differentiation of endothelial progenitor cells

British Atherosclerosis Society Meeting, Cambridge, UK, September 2005

Hugh Sinclair Lecture: Stem cell and endothelial progenitor cell senescence in atherosclerosis

American Heart Association – 78th Scientific Sessions, Dallas, November 2005
George E. Brown Memorial Lecture

Miami Nature Biotechnology Symposium Winter Symposium Angiogenesis in Cancer and Vascular Disease, 4 – 8 February 2006
"Mechanism regulating endothelial progenitor cell homing and differentiation"

Keystone Symposium on Molecular Mechanism of Cardiac Disease and Regeneration. Santa Fe, 19 - 24 February 2006
"Endothelial progenitor cells for neovascularization"

5th Congress of Asian Pacific Society of Atherosclerosis, Jeju, Korea, 11 - 16 April 2006
"Vascular biology and stem cells"

Keystone Symposium on Integrative Basis of Cardiovascular Disease, Breckenridge, 22 - 27 January 2007
"Progenitor cells in cardiovascular repair"

Keystone Symposium on Cardiac Disease in Asheville, North Carolina, 18 – 19 March 2009
Talk: „Control of Angiogenesis by microRNA“

AHA-BCVS-Conference 2009 in Las Vegas / USA, 22 – 2 July 2009
Talk: „Cardiac Stem Cell Recruitment Following Injury“

Victor Chang Symposium in Darlinghurst / Australien, 27 October - 03 November 2009
Lecture: "microRNAs in cardiovascular repair"

BSCR/BAS Meeting with BCS in Manchester / England, 07 – 09 June 2010
Talk: "MicroRNA in cardiovascular development and disease"

WorldPharma 2010 in Kopenhagen / Dänemark, 19 July 2010
Plenary Lecture: "Cell Therapy"

Gordon Research Conference on Endothelial Phenotypes in Biddeford, Maine / USA, 08 – 09 August 2010
Keynote lecture: „microRNAs in the Endothelium – What are they doing? “

Keystone Symposia Sirtuins in Metabolism, Aging and Disease in Tahoe City, California, 12 - 16 February 2012
Talk: "SIRT1-Regulating microRNAs in Cardiovascular Disease and Aging"

Keystone Symposia on pulmonary vascular disease in Monterey, California / USA, 10 – 13 September 2012
Talk: "The Role of Stem Cells in Angiogenesis and Vascular Repair"

American Heart Association 2012 in Los Angeles / USA, 01 – 07 November 2012
Plenary lecture: "Regeneration of the Myocardium"

Gordon Conference "Atherosclerosis" in Stoweflake / USA, 16 -19 June 2013
Talk: "Atheroprotective communication via microRNA"

Nature Medicine Herrenhausen Symposium on "Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine" in Hannover / Germany, 8.-10. October 2013
Talk: "Cell fate and differentiation"

Past and present leadership in national and international networks

National networks:

- Collaborative research center SFB 553 (2000 - 2007) (member of the steering committee)
- Research Unit FOR501 (Initiator and coordinator 2003 - 2006)
- Collaborative research center TR-SFB23 (steering committee 2005 – present)
- Excellence Cluster “Cardiopulmonary System” (member of the steering committee and area leader; 2006 - present)
- Collaborative research center SFB 834 (vice-spokesperson)
- Collaborative Research Centre 902 (since 2011)
- DZHK (Deutschen Zentrum für Herz-Kreislauf Forschung) Vice Spokesperson, RheinMain Area Leader “Vascular Disease” (2011 – present)

International networks:

- European Network of Excellence (EVGN) (Member of the executive committee and Area leader) (2004 - 2010)
- Transatlantik Network of Excellence “Cardiac Regeneration” funded by the Leducq Foundation (European Coordinator) (2004 - 2008)
- European Integrated Project “Heart Repair” (Member of the Executive board, Area leader) (2006 - 2010)

Publications and citation statistics

Total number of publications: 350

Citation: 35.770 citations; ~ 60 citations/article

H-index: 101

Top 10 Publications

1. **Dimmeler S**, Fisslthaler B, Fleming I, Hermann C, Busse R, Zeiher AM. Activation of nitric oxide synthase in endothelial cells via Akt-dependent phosphorylation. *Nature*. 1999;399:601-605
IF: 38,6; Citations: 1944
2. **Dimmeler S**, Aicher A, Vasa M, Mildner-Rihm C, Adler K, Tiemann M, Rutten H, Fichtlscherer S, Martin H, Zeiher AM. HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (statins) increase endothelial progenitor cells via the PI3-kinase/Akt pathway. *J Clin Invest*. 2001;108:391-397.
IF: 12,8; Citations: 767
3. Aicher A, Heeschen C, Mildner-Rihm C, Urbich C, Ihling C, Technau-Ihling K, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Essential role of endothelial nitric oxide synthase for mobilization of stem and progenitor cells. *Nat Med*. 2003;9:1370-1376
IF: 24,3; Citations: 748
4. Urbich C, Heeschen C, Aicher A, Sasaki KI, Bruhl T, Farhadi MR, Vajkoczy P, Hofmann WK, Peters C, Pennacchio LA, Abolmaali ND, Chavakis E, Reinheckel T, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Cathepsin L is required for endothelial progenitor cell-induced neovascularization. *Nat Med*. 2005;11:206-213
IF: 24,3; Citations: 160
5. Assmus B, Honold J, Schachinger V, Britten MB, Fischer-Rasokat U, Lehmann R, Teupe C, Pistorius K, Martin H, Abolmaali ND, Tonn T, **Dimmeler S***, Zeiher AM*. Transcoronary transplantation of progenitor cells after myocardial infarction. *N Engl J Med*. 2006;355:1222-1232 *contributed equally
IF: 51,7; Citations: 563
6. Bonauer A, Carmona G, Iwasaki M, Mione M, Koyanagi M, Fischer A, Burchfield J, Fox H, Doebele C, Ohtani K, Chavakis E, Potente M, Tjwa M, Urbich C, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. MicroRNA-92a controls angiogenesis and functional recovery of ischemic tissues in mice. *Science*. 2009;324:1710-1713
IF: 31,0; Citations: 327
7. Kuehbacher A, Urbich C, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Role of Dicer and Drosha for endothelial microrna expression and angiogenesis. *Circ Res*. 2007;101:59-68
IF: 11,8; Citations: 286
8. Guarani V, Deflorian G, Franco CA, Kruger M, Phng LK, Bentley K, Toussaint L, Dequiedt F, Mostoslavsky R, Schmidt MH, Zimmermann B, Brandes RP, Mione M, Westphal CH, Braun T, Zeiher AM, Gerhardt H, **Dimmeler S**, Potente M. Acetylation-dependent regulation of endothelial notch signalling by the sirt1 deacetylase. *Nature*. 2011;473:234-238
IF: 38,6; Citations: 62
9. Hergenreider E, Heydt S, Treguer K, Boettger T, Horrevoets AJ, Zeiher AM, Scheffer MP, Frangakis AS, Yin X, Mayr M, Braun T, Urbich C, Boon RA, **Dimmeler S**. Atheroprotective communication between endothelial cells and smooth muscle cells through miRNAs. *Nat Cell Biol*. 2012;14:249-256
IF: 20,8; Citations: 100
10. Boon RA, Iekushi K, Lechner S, Seeger T, Fischer A, Heydt S, Kaluza D, Treguer K, Carmona G, Bonauer A, Horrevoets AJ, Didier N, Girmatsion Z, Biliczki P, Ehrlich JR, Katus HA, Muller OJ, Potente M, Zeiher AM, Hermeking H, **Dimmeler S**. MicroRNA-34a regulates cardiac ageing and function. *Nature*. 2013;495:107-110
IF: 38,6; Citations: 19

Selected publications (50 out of >300)

1. **Dimmeler S**, Haendeler J, Nehls M, Zeiher AM. Suppression of apoptosis by nitric oxide via inhibition of ICE-like and CPP32-like proteases. *J. Exp. Med.* 1997;185:601-608
IF: 13,215
2. **Dimmeler S**, Assmus B, Hermann C, Haendeler J, Zeiher AM. Fluid shear stress stimulates phosphorylation of Akt in human endothelial cells: involvement in suppression of apoptosis. *Circ Res.* 1998;83:334-342
IF: 11,861
3. **Dimmeler S**, Breitschopf K, Haendeler J, Zeiher AM. Dephosphorylation targets Bcl-2 for ubiquitin-dependent degradation: a link between the apoptosome and the proteasome pathway. *J Exp Med.* 1999;189:1815-1822
IF: 13,215
4. **Dimmeler S**, Fisslthaler B, Fleming I, Hermann C, Busse R, Zeiher AM. Activation of nitric oxide synthase in endothelial cells via Akt-dependent phosphorylation. *Nature.* 1999;399:601-605
IF: 38,597
5. **Dimmeler S**, Aicher A, Vasa M, Mildner-Rihm C, Adler K, Tiemann M, Rutten H, Fichtlscherer S, Martin H, Zeiher AM. HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (statins) increase endothelial progenitor cells via the PI 3-kinase/Akt pathway. *J Clin Invest.* 2001;108:391-397.
IF: 12,812
6. Urbich C, Mallat Z, Tedgui A, Clauss M, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Upregulation of TRAF3 by shear stress blocks CD40-mediated endothelial activation. *J Clin Invest.* 2001;108:1451-1458
IF: 12,812
7. Vasa M, Fichtlscherer S, Adler K, Mildner-Rihm C, Aicher A, Martin H, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Increase in circulating endothelial progenitor cells by statin therapy in patients with stable coronary artery disease. *Circulation.* 2001;103:2885-2890
IF: 15,202
8. Vasa M, Fichtlscherer S, Aicher A, Adler K, Urbich C, Martin H, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Number and migratory activity of circulating endothelial progenitor cells inversely correlate with risk factors for coronary artery disease. *Circ Res.* 2001;89:E1-7.
IF: 11,861
9. Assmus B, Schachinger V, Teupe C, Britten M, Lehmann R, Dobert N, Grunwald F, Aicher A, Urbich C, Martin H, Hoelzer D, **Dimmeler S***, Zeiher AM*. Transplantation of Progenitor Cells and Regeneration Enhancement in Acute Myocardial Infarction (TOPCARE-AMI). *Circulation.* 2002;106:3009-3017.
*contributed equally
IF: 15,202
10. Badorff C, Ruettner H, Mueller S, Gehring D, Jung F, Ihling C, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Fas receptor signaling inhibits GSK3β in cardiomyocytes and is required for pressure overload-induced hypertrophy. *J Clin Invest.* 2002;109:373-381
IF: 12,812
11. Haendeler J, Hoffmann J, Tischler V, Berk BC, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Redox regulatory and anti-apoptotic functions of thioredoxin depend on S-nitrosylation at cysteine 69. *Nature Cell Biology.* 2002;4:743-749
IF: 20,761
12. Aicher A, Brenner W, Zuhayra M, Badorff C, Massoudi S, Assmus B, Eckey T, Henze E, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Assessment of the Tissue Distribution of Transplanted Human Endothelial Progenitor Cells by Radioactive Labeling. *Circulation.* 2003;107:2134-2139
IF: 15,202
13. Aicher A, Heeschen C, Mildner-Rihm C, Urbich C, Ihling C, Technau-Ihling K, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Essential role of endothelial nitric oxide synthase for mobilization of stem and progenitor cells. *Nat Med.* 2003;9:1370-1376
IF: 24,302
14. Badorff C, Brandes RP, Popp R, Rupp S, Urbich C, Aicher A, Fleming I, Busse R, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Transdifferentiation of blood-derived human adult endothelial progenitor cells into functionally active cardiomyocytes. *Circulation.* 2003;107:1024-1032
IF: 15,202
15. Heeschen C, Aicher A, Lehmann R, Fichtlscherer S, Vasa M, Urbich C, Mildner-Rihm C, Martin H, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Erythropoietin is a potent physiological stimulus for endothelial progenitor cell mobilization. *Blood.* 2003;102:1340-1346
IF: 9,060

16. Heeschen C, **Dimmeler S**, Hamm CW, van den Brand MJ, Boersma E, Zeiher AM, Simoons ML. Soluble CD40 ligand in acute coronary syndromes. *N Engl J Med.* 2003;348:1104-1111
IF: 51,658
17. Urbich C, Heeschen C, Aicher A, Dernbach E, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Relevance of monocytic features for neovascularization capacity of circulating endothelial progenitor cells. *Circulation.* 2003;108:2511-2516
IF: 15,202
18. Spyridopoulos I, Haendeler J, Urbich C, Brummendorf TH, Oh H, Schneider MD, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Statins enhance migratory capacity by upregulation of the telomere repeat-binding factor TRF2 in endothelial progenitor cells. *Circulation.* 2004;110:3136-3142
IF: 15,202
19. Chavakis E, Aicher A, Heeschen C, Sasaki KI, Kaiser R, El Makhfi N, Urbich C, Peters T, Scharffetter-Kochanek K, Zeiher AM, Chavakis T, **Dimmeler S**. Role of β 2-integrins for homing and neovascularization capacity of endothelial progenitor cells. *J Exp Med.* 2005;201:63-72
IF: 13,215
20. **Dimmeler S**, Zeiher AM, Schneider MD. Unchain my heart: the scientific foundations of cardiac repair. *J Clin Invest.* 2005;115:572-583
IF: 12,812
21. Rossig L, Urbich C, Bruhl T, Dernbach E, Heeschen C, Chavakis E, Sasaki K, Aicher D, Diehl F, Seeger F, Potente M, Aicher A, Zanetta L, Dejana E, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Histone deacetylase activity is essential for the expression of HoxA9 and for endothelial commitment of progenitor cells. *J Exp Med.* 2005;201:1825-1835
IF: 13,215
22. Urbich C, Heeschen C, Aicher A, Sasaki KI, Bruhl T, Farhadi MR, Vajkoczy P, Hofmann WK, Peters C, Pennacchio LA, Abolmaali ND, Chavakis E, Reinheckel T, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Cathepsin L is required for endothelial progenitor cell-induced neovascularization. *Nat Med.* 2005;11:206-213
IF: 24.302
23. Aicher A, Heeschen C, Sasaki K, Urbich C, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Low-energy shock wave for enhancing recruitment of endothelial progenitor cells: a new modality to increase efficacy of cell therapy in chronic hind limb ischemia. *Circulation.* 2006;114:2823-2830
IF: 15,202
24. Assmus B, Honold J, Schachinger V, Britten MB, Fischer-Rasokat U, Lehmann R, Teupe C, Pistorius K, Martin H, Abolmaali ND, Tonn T, **Dimmeler S***, Zeiher AM*. Transcoronary transplantation of progenitor cells after myocardial infarction. *N Engl J Med.* 2006;355:1222-1232 * contributed equally
IF: 51,658
25. Schachinger V, Erbs S, Elsasser A, Haberbosch W, Hambrecht R, Holschermann H, Yu J, Corti R, Mathey DG, Hamm CW, Suselbeck T, Assmus B, Tonn T, **Dimmeler S**, Zeiher AM. Intracoronary bone marrow-derived progenitor cells in acute myocardial infarction. *N Engl J Med.* 2006;355:1210-1221
IF: 51,658
26. Kuehbacher A, Urbich C, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Role of Dicer and Drosha for endothelial microRNA expression and angiogenesis. *Circ Res.* 2007;101:59-68
IF: 11,861
27. Potente M, Ghaeni L, Baldessari D, Mostoslavsky R, Rossig L, Dequiedt F, Haendeler J, Mione M, Dejana E, Alt FW, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. SIRT1 controls endothelial angiogenic functions during vascular growth. *Genes Dev.* 2007;21:2644-2658
IF: 11,659
28. Burchfield JS, Iwasaki M, Koyanagi M, Urbich C, Rosenthal N, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Interleukin-10 from transplanted bone marrow mononuclear cells contributes to cardiac protection after myocardial infarction. *Circ Res.* 2008;103:203-211
IF: 11,861
29. Choi EY, Chavakis E, Czabanka MA, Langer HF, Fraemohs L, Economopoulou M, Kundu RK, Orlandi A, Zheng YY, Prieto DA, Ballantyne CM, Constant SL, Aird WC, Papayannopoulou T, Gahmberg CG, Udey MC, Vajkoczy P, Quertermous T, **Dimmeler S**, Weber C, Chavakis T. Del-1, an endogenous leukocyte-endothelial adhesion inhibitor, limits inflammatory cell recruitment. *Science.* 2008;322:1101-1104
IF: 31,027
30. Ziebart T, Yoon CH, Trepels T, Wietelmann A, Braun T, Kiessling F, Stein S, Grez M, Ihling C, Muhly-Reinholz M, Carmona G, Urbich C, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Sustained persistence of transplanted proangiogenic cells contributes to neovascularization and cardiac function after ischemia. *Circ Res.* 2008;103:1327-1334
IF: 11,861

32. Taddei A, Giampietro C, Conti A, Orsenigo F, Breviaro F, Pirazzoli V, Potente M, Daly C, **Dimmeler S**, Dejana E. Endothelial adherens junctions control tight junctions by VE-cadherin-mediated upregulation of claudin-5. *Nature cell biology*. 2008;10:923-934 IF:20,767
33. Bonauer A, Carmona G, Iwasaki M, Mione M, Koyanagi M, Fischer A, Burchfield J, Fox H, Doebele C, Ohtani K, Chavakis E, Potente M, Tjwa M, Urbich C, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. MicroRNA-92a controls angiogenesis and functional recovery of ischemic tissues in mice. *Science*. 2009;324:1710-1713 IF: 31,027
34. Urbich C, Rossig L, Kaluza D, Potente M, Boeckel JN, Knau A, Diehl F, Geng JG, Hofmann WK, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. HDAC5 is a repressor of angiogenesis and determines the angiogenic gene expression pattern of endothelial cells. *Blood*. 2009;113:5669-5679 IF: 9,060
35. Doebele C, Bonauer A, Fischer A, Scholz A, Reiss Y, Urbich C, Hofmann WK, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Members of the microRNA-17-92 cluster exhibit a cell-intrinsic antiangiogenic function in endothelial cells. *Blood*. 2010;115:4944-4950 IF: 9,060
36. Fichtlscherer S, De Rosa S, Fox H, Schwietz T, Fischer A, Liebetrau C, Weber M, Hamm CW, Roxe T, Muller-Ardogan M, Bonauer A, Zeiher AM, **Dimmeler S**. Circulating microRNAs in patients with coronary artery disease. *Circ Res*. 2010;107:677-684 IF: 11,861
37. Yoon CH, Koyanagi M, Iekushi K, Seeger F, Urbich C, Zeiher AM, Dimmeler S. Mechanism of improved cardiac function after bone marrow mononuclear cell therapy: role of cardiovascular lineage commitment. *Circulation*. 2010;121:2001-2011 IF:15,202
38. Boeckel JN, Guarani V, Koyanagi M, Roexe T, Lengeling A, Schermuly RT, Gellert P, Braun T, Zeiher A, **Dimmeler S**. Jumonji domain-containing protein 6 (Jmj6) is required for angiogenic sprouting and regulates splicing of VEGF-receptor 1. *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A*. 2011;108:3276-3281 IF: 9,737
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