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Date and place of birth: 26.07.1956 in Klagenfurt, Austria

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Education

- 1974 – 1980 Faculty of Medicine, University of Graz, Austria
1981 – 1983 Resident in General Medicine, General Hospital Klagenfurt
1984 – 1991 Resident in Obstetrics and Gynecology, General Hospital Klagenfurt

Degrees

- 1980 Medical Doctor (univ.) University of Graz, Austria
1996 Habilitation in Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Vienna, Austria

Academic Appointments

- 1992 – 1993 Research Fellow and Honorary Lecturer, Dept. of OB/GYN and Harris Birthright Research Centre for Fetal Medicine, King's College, University of London, UK
1994 – 2003 Consultant in Obstetrics and Fetal Medicine, Vice Chairman, Dept. of Fetal Medicine, Hospital Barmbek, Hamburg, Germany
Since 2004 Professor and Chairman of the Dept. of Obstetrics and Fetal Medicine, University Medical Center, Hamburg, Germany
Since 2011 Deputy Editor in Chief of Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology, University Medical Center, Hamburg, Germany
Since 2014 Medical Director of the Center for Obstetrics and Paediatrics

Awards and Honors

- 1992 Erwin Schrödinger Fellowship, Austrian Science Foundation
1999 Werner Otto Foundation Award for Clinical Research
2000 Hans L. Geisenhofer Foundation, Bavarian Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology
2008 Dres. Haackert Foundation Gold Medal Award for Prenatal Medicine
2012 Pschyrembel Medal

Five most relevant thematic publications

- 1) Ville Y, Hyett J, **Hecher K**, Nicolaides K. Preliminary experience with endoscopic laser surgery for severe twin-twin transfusion syndrome. N Engl J Med 1995;332:224-7
- 2) **Hecher K**, Campbell S, Doyle P, Harrington K, Nicolaides K. Assessment of fetal compromise by Doppler ultrasound investigation of the fetal circulation. Arterial, intracardiac and venous blood flow velocity studies. Circulation 1995;91:129-38
- 3) Gardiner HM, Taylor MJO, Karatza A, Vanderheyden T, Huber A, Greenwald SE, Fisk NM, **Hecher K**. Twin-twin transfusion syndrome. The influence of intrauterine laser photocoagulation on arterial distensibility in childhood. Circulation 2003;107:1906-11
- 4) Graef C, Ellenrieder B, Bogdanow M, Huber A, **Hecher K**, Bartmann P. Immune functions after severe twin-twin transfusion syndrome. J Perinat Med 2007;35:243-4
- 5) Ortibus E, Lopriore E, Deprest J, Vandenbussche FP, Walther FJ, Diemert A, **Hecher K**, Lagae L, De Cock P, Lewi PJ, Lewi L. The pregnancy and long-term neurodevelopmental outcome of monochorionic diamniotic twin gestations: a multicenter prospective cohort study from the first trimester onward. Am J Obstet Gynecol 2009;200:494.e1-8

List of Research Funding (last five years)

- EU: Euro Twin-2-Twin (2003-2007) ca. 270.000 €
- WHO: Development of growth standards from fetal life to childhood (2010-12) ca. 186.000 €