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Brief Bio

Ulrich Blank obtained his master degree in Biology in 1984 from the J.W. Goethe University in Frankfurt, Germany. He completed his PhD in Biochemistry in Paris at University Paris 7 1987, before undertaking postdoctoral studies at the NIH and in Paris. He was appointed CNRS researcher in 1991 and CNRS Research Director in 2001. Dr. Blank's research interest focuses on the molecular mechanism leading to the secretion of inflammatory mediators in mast cells. More recently he has become interested in studying the role of mast cells and their secretory products in inflammatory diseases and in particular kidney disease. Ulrich Blank has a longstanding expertise as a project co-ordinator. He has been a group leader since 1995 and is actually group leader of the renal pathology and inflammation team 2 at UMR_S U699 at Inserm and the University Paris-Diderot, Paris 7. He is a founding member of the European Mast Cell and Basophil Research Network (EMBRN).