

# Curriculum Vitae

## Dr. Klaus Graumann

Home address:  
Rotholz 387c  
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Born: April 25, 1967 in Schärding / Austria

Married, two children (Gabriel (9 yrs), Greta (3 yrs))



## At a glance

- PhD in Biotechnology with over 19 years of experience in the biopharmaceutical industry
- Involved in the development of commercial Novartis biopharmaceuticals including biosimilars (Sandoz)
- Experience with process development and manufacturing of a broad range of product formats from peptides, recombinant proteins / mAbs to virus-like particles (New Biological Entities and Biosimilars) of the Novartis / Sandoz pipeline
- Led the Technical Project Management team from 2010 to 2014 (CMC part, biosimilars mainly)
- Vast line function management experience with team size up to over 200 FTEs
- Experience with technical Due Diligences processes, CMO site selection / facility fit exercises and manufacturing process transfer execution (NVS network, CMOs)
- Experienced in managing in a matrix environment and across organizational boundaries
- Profound understanding of CMC development strategy, DS and DP manufacturing processes, compliance and regulatory topics
- Well established and connected in the biotech community

## Professional Career, Responsibilities

### *Since July 2018:*

#### **CEO (designated) of Phoenestra GmbH**

- Start-up in the field of induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSC)
- Seed financing and operational start-up planning
- Business development

### *Since August 2018:*

#### **Biotech Consultant (registered)**

- Consultant in the area of drug substance for biopharmaceuticals (Techn Development and Manufacturing)
- Manufacturing Process Transfers
- CMC Document review

***May 2016 – June 2018***

**Global Head Drug Substance Development (Late-Phase), Novartis Biologics Development and Manufacturing (BTDM)**

- Late-phase development for the Novartis Biologics pipeline
- Management and global coordination of three DS development sites
- Budget planning and reporting

***June 2014 – April 2016***

**Head Strategy & Operations Global Technical Development, Sandoz Biopharmaceuticals)**

- Creation and lead of a Functional Network for CMB, USP, DSP and Statistics
- Process Development Strategy / Quality by Design (focus on biosimilars)
- Manufacturing Process Transfer Management (Drug Substance)
- Technology Strategy and Coordination of a “New Technology” Network
- Strategic Projects

***July 2010 to June 2014***

**Head Global Technical Development Operations (Global Technical Development, Sandoz Biopharmaceuticals)**

- Leading a group of Technical Project Leaders, Resource and Tech Transfer Managers (DS), located on different Novartis / Sandoz sites
- Biosimilar pipeline, NBE pipeline (DS part only)
- Technology evaluation and development, global initiatives, support of Due Diligences

***October 2009 – June 2010***

**Head Global Technical Development Operations (Biopharmaceutical Operations (BPO), Sandoz Biopharmaceuticals)**

- Deputy and support of the Head of Global Technical Development, BPO
- Managing TD groups in US, CH, SLO, DE and AT
- Interface Management with other Novartis Divisions
- Technology development, global initiatives, support of Due Diligences

***April 2009 – October 2009***

**Head Global Technical Development a.i. (Biopharmaceutical Operations, Novartis Pharma / Sandoz Biopharmaceuticals)**

- Technical Development and clinical manufacturing for innovative biopharmaceuticals and the Biosimilars pipeline
- Functional manager of Technical Development (Sandoz) and Manufacturing Science & Technology (Novartis Pharma) groups worldwide
- Interface management with Novartis Biologics and Sandoz Biopharmaceuticals
- Technology development, Global initiatives, support of Due Diligences

***May 2005 – March 2009***

**Head Microbial Development (Biopharmaceutical Operations, Sandoz Site Kundl / Austria)**

- Center of Excellence for recombinant microbial biotechnology for the Novartis group (60 associates)
- Process development and optimization at lab / pilot scale, tech transfers to manufacturing sites, process validation support
- GMP manufacturing of Drug Substance up to 1000 L scale (DSP only)
- Interface management (Novartis group and Third Party customers)
- Support of registration file submissions and audits
- Development of Platform technologies, Technology evaluations, support of Due Diligences

***June 2003 – April 2005***

**Group Head Downstream Process Development (Sandoz, Site Kundl / Austria)**

- Coordination of Downstream process development, tech transfers and process optimization

- Technical project management, coordination of resources for three development labs, budgeting
- Support of registration file submissions
- Development of platform technologies, development plans

**February 2001 – May 2003**

**Lab Head Downstream Process Development (Biochemie, now Sandoz, Site Kundl/Austria)**

- Downstream process development and optimization
- Tech transfers (internal)
- Technical project management (Subteam member)

**October 1999 – January 2001**

**Team Leader Manufacturing (Boehringer Ingelheim Austria, Vienna)**

- Implementation of Downstream processes at production scale
- Clinical trial material production
- Process validation support

**May 1999 – July 1999**

**Consultant (LifeSensors Inc., Malvern PA, USA)**

- Setup of protein purification for research purposes
- Assay development

**Academic Training**

**March 1994 - March 1999**

PhD in Biotechnology from the University of Life Sciences and Renewable Resources, Vienna, Austria

**March 1994 – August 1994**

Visiting Scientist (SmithKline Beecham now Glaxo SmithKline (GSK), Conshohocken PA, USA)  
 “Mutants of hER- $\alpha$ : cloning and testing in a yeast reporter assay system”

**January -March 1994**

Research associate at the Institute for Applied Microbiology, Vienna

**April 1993 – November 1993**

Military Service

**March 1986 – March 1993**

Master in Food- and Biotechnology at the University of Life Science and Renewable Resources, Vienna, Austria

**1977 – 1985**

Gymnasium (Schaerding, Austria)

**1973 – 1977**

Elementary school (Schaerding, Austria)

**Publications, Presentations and Conference Organization**

Numerous oral and poster presentations at conferences, symposia

Co-organizer of a Novartis-internal biotech conference series (BioPro)

Member of several scientific conference committees: Recovery of biological products XV, ESBES, ECAB, HIC/RPC, RPP conference series

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## Memberships

Member of the Editorial Board of "Biotechnology Journal"  
European Society of Biochemical Engineering Sciences (ESBES), Member of the Scientific Committee for the ESBES conference series  
ÖGMBT (Austrian Society for Genetics and Molecular Biotechnology)  
DECHEMA (German Chemical Society)  
American Chemical Society (ACS)

## Other interests

Family  
Outdoor activities  
Cultural activities  
Travelling