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Summary of Qualifications

- + Over 17 years of research experience on Tibetan medicine (Sowa Rigpa)
- + ERC Starting Grant 2013 (1.46 million EUR)
- + Directed and managed other major research projects, totaling over 600,000 EUR
- + Numerous scholarly publications in three languages
- + Regular invited papers and panels at international conferences and workshops
- + Teaching experience with graduate and undergraduate students as well as public audiences
- + Wide media exposure in Austrian and international newspapers

Academic Education

- 2010 PhD in Medical Anthropology, University of California, San Francisco & Berkeley
- 2002 MA in Socio-Cultural Anthropology, University of Vienna, Austria
- 2000 MSc program in Medical Anthropology, Brunel University, London, UK

Academic Employment

- 2017-now Senior researcher (permanent position), Institute for Social Anthropology, AAS
- 2014-now Research group leader, Institute for Social Anthropology, AAS
- 2011-2013 Marie Curie International Incoming Fellow, Institute for Social Anthropology, AAS
- 2008-2010 Researcher, Institute for Social Anthropology, AAS
- 2005-2010 Research Fellow, French Institute of Pondicherry
- 2002-2004 Associated Researcher, Wittgenstein Research Center, AAS
- Since 2001 Research Fellow, Nomad RSI

Teaching Experience

- 2013-14 Introductory seminar on social anthropological theory
Dept of Social & Cultural Anthropology (IKSA), University of Vienna
- 2013-14 Advanced undergraduate course on exile Tibetan society, culture and politics
Dept of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna
- 2012 Introductory course on medical anthropology for medical students
Central University for Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, India
- 2004 Introductory course on medical anthropology of South Asia
IMC Fachhochschule (University of Applied Sciences) Krems, Austria

Curriculum Vitae, Sept 2018

Grants and Scholarships (selection, since 2000)

2013	European Research Council (ERC) Starting Grant (336932 RATIMED)
2013	Austrian Science Fund (FWF) Stand-alone research project (P 25997-G15)
2011	EU Research Executive Agency, Marie Curie International Incoming Fellowship
2009	Austrian Ministry of Science & Research Mobility Grant
2008	Austrian Science Fund Stand-alone research project (P 20589-G15)
2007	Wenner-Gren Foundation Dissertation Fieldwork Grant
2004-2007	UCSF Graduate Dean's Health Science Fellowship (every year)
2005	Qayum Foundation Grant for exploratory research in India
2005	Land Steiermark State Grant for Outstanding Academic Success
2004	Austrian Ministry of Science Scholarship for Postgraduate Studies Abroad
2004	Fulbright Scholarship for postgraduate studies in the USA
2001	University of Vienna research grant
2001	Land Steiermark Research Grant
2000	ERASMUS Scholarship for Brunel University, London
2000	Land Steiermark Foreign Language Grant

Publications

See >Publications< online.

Media Coverage & Public Outreach

See >Press< online.

Professional Memberships, Editorial Boards and Service

Book Reviews Board Member: EASTS – East Asian Science, Technology & Society (since 2018)

Editorial Board Member: J-AIM Journal of Ayurveda and Integrative Medicine (since 2018)

Associate Editor: Asian Medicine – Tradition and Modernity (since 2016)

IASTAM | International Association for the Study of Traditional Asian Medicine
Council member (since 2013)

WFCMS | World Federation of Chinese Medicine Societies | Tibetan Medicine Committee
Executive Council Member (since 2015)

Wiener Dialoge der Medizinanthropologie | Vienna Dialogues in Medical Anthropology
Founding Member & Co-Organizer (since 2012)

AAA | American Anthropological Association (including SMA and SCA)

EASA | European Association of Social Anthropologists

AG Medical Anthropology der DGV

PHARMASIA Network | Social Studies of Herbal Pharmaceutical Industry in Asia

Nomad RSI | Research Unit (2001-2010)

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Refereeing

Current Anthropology

Medical Anthropology

Medicine Anthropology Theory (MAT)

Culture, Medicine and Psychiatry

Comparative Studies in Society and History (CSSH)

East Asian Science, Technology and Society (EASTS)

Asian Medicine: Journal of the IASTAM

HIMALAYA: Journal of the Association of Nepal and Himalayan Studies

Women's Studies International Forum

Op. Cit: Revista del Centro de Investigaciones Historicas (University of Puerto Rico)

Academic Advice

- 2014 Rubin Museum of Art exhibition *Bodies in Balance*: interactive section on contemporary Tibetan medicine in India
- 2011 sections on Tibetan medicine in Bißwanger-Heim, T. & E. Ernst (2011) *Asiatische Heilkunde: Tradition, Anwendung, Heilsversprechen – Eine Bestandsaufnahme*. Berlin: Stiftung Warentest, 263 pages

Lectures, Paper, Conferences and Panels (selection, since 2006)

invited

- 2018 Anthropological Atelier, Oriental Institute (Czech Academy of Sciences) & Institute for Social Anthropology (Austrian Academy of Sciences): *From Tibetan to Mongolian Medicine. Contextualizing Historiography and the Emergence of a Pharmaceutical Industry*. (invited paper), June 7, Prague
- 2018 Third International Conference on Tibetan Medicine: *Sowa Rigpa in Asia – A Quantitative Overview*. (invited paper), February 26, Sarnath, India
- 2017 Harvard Medical School, Third Annual Conference of the WFCMS Specialty Committee of Tibetan Medicine: *From Local Health Tradition to Transnational Industry: The Alienation of Tibetan Medicine*. (invited paper), October 7, Boston
- 2017 Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München: Traditionelle Mongolische Medizin: Kontinuität und Wandel in globalem Kontext. (invited guest lecture), June 26, Munich, Germany
- 2017 Otoch Manramba Mongolian Medical University: *Sowa Rigpa in Modern Asia: From traditional medicine to innovative industry*. (invited guest lecture), March 16, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
- 2016 Oxford University ArgO-EMR Seminar, Botanical Ontologies in Asian Medicine: "The Pharmaceutical Assemblage: Rethinking Sowa Rigpa and the herbal pharmaceutical industry in Asia." (invited lecture), November 9, Oxford, UK
- 2016 British Academy & Royal Anthropological Institute, Anthropology in Austria Day: "From Buddhist Deities to the Spirit of Capitalism: Tibetan Medicine and the Remaking of Inner Asia." (invited paper), November 8, London, UK

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- 2016 100 Year Founding Anniversary of Men-Tsee-Khang, “Tibetan Medical Education Outside China.” (keynote speech), September 13, Lhasa, China
- 2016 IASTAM-India, First International Conference on Advances in Asian Medicine (ICAAM), Special RATIMED Symposium on Tibetan Medicine: “The Emerging Sowa Rigpa Industry in Asia.” (organizer), January 5, Pune, India
- 2016 IASTAM-India, First International Conference on Advances in Asian Medicine, “The Transnational Sowa Rigpa Industry in Asia.” (invited paper and opening address), January 5, Pune, India
- 2015 World Federation of Chinese Medicine Societies, Tibetan Medicine Committee Inaugural Conference, “Pharmaceutical Assemblages: Assessing the Transnational Sowa Rigpa Industry in Asia” (invited paper), August 7-9, Xining, China
- 2015 Globhealth ERC Advanced Grant Conference, *From International to Global: Knowledge, Diseases and the Postwar Government of Health*, CNRS/ INSERM/ CERMES3, “From Scarcity to Profit: Traditional Medicine and Global Health” (invited paper), February 12-14, Paris, France
- 2014 National Rehabilitation and Early Detection Center, “From Traditional Medicine to Pharmaceutical Industry: The development of Sowa Rigpa in Mongolia, India, China and Bhutan” (invited lecture), December 3, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
- 2014 International Symposium, Institute for Social Anthropology & Department for South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, “Transforming Tibetan Anatomy” (panel chair & welcome speech), June 12-13, Vienna, Austria
- 2014 Argo-EMR Workshop on *The Transmission of Tibetan Medicine*, University of Oxford, “Tibetan Medical Education in Exile” (invited paper), May 22-23, Oxford
- 2014 National Conference on Medicinal Plants, Government of India (Council for Development of Rural Areas, Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, Dept. of AYUSH, Dept. of Biotechnology), “Assessing the Role of Materia Medica in Traditional Pharmaceutical Industries: The Case of Sowa Rigpa” (invited paper), February 21-22, Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi, India
- 2014 Azim Premji University & St. John’s Research Institute, “The Development and Preservation of Tibetan Medicine in India” & “Re-assembling Tibetan Medicine” (invited lectures), February 10-11, Bengaluru, India
- 2013 Anthropological Atelier, Institute for Social Anthropology, “Rupture of Exile, Risks of Loss: Preserving Tibetan medical Knowledge in India” (invited paper), December 4-6, Vienna, Austria
- 2013 Wednesday Lecture, University of Vienna, “Re-Assembling Tibetan Medicine: the formation of a transnational Sowa Rigpa industry in contemporary India, China, Mongolia and Bhutan” (invited paper), December 4, Vienna
- 2012 AG Medical Anthropology International Conference, “The Interstitial Body: mapping the space between medicine and the nation” (invited panel chair and organizer), Nov 29-Dec 1, Vienna
- 2012 American Anthropological Association Conference, “Of National Bodies, Borders, and Medical Nations: rethinking the body politic” (invited double panel, chair, co-organizer & discussant), November 14-18, San Francisco
- 2012 American Anthropological Association Conference, “Alternate Imaginaries: Tibetan medicine, ethical bodies and the modern nation” (invited paper), November 14-18, San Francisco

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- 2012 Universität Rostock, 6th Symposium of the Graduate School *Cultural Encounters and the Discourse of Scholarship*, “The Politics of Preservation and Loss: Tibetan medical knowledge in exile” (invited paper), September 27-29, Rostock, Germany
- 2011 Cardiff University, “Making a ‘Medical System’: Tibetan Medicine in Exile” (invited paper), January 21-22, Cardiff, UK
- 2010 Bhutan Exhibition, Wien Energie Haus, “Wie ‘wissenschaftlich’ ist die Tibetische Medizin? Beobachtungen zur Effektivität, Qualität und Überprüfbarkeit eines traditionellen Heilsystems” (invited lecture), August 25, Vienna
- 2008 Indian Institute of Advanced Study, “Marketing the Tibetan Cause: Tibetan Medicine between Business and Politics” (invited paper), March 13-14, Shimla
- 2008 French Institute of Pondicherry, “Shifting Registers of Illegitimacy: Tibetan Medicine in India” (invited paper), March 7-9, Pondicherry, India
- 2006 French Institute of Pondicherry, “The Institutionalization of Tibetan Medicine in the Indian Exile” (invited paper), May 30, Pondicherry, India

other

- 2017 (with Calum Blaikie) 9th International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicines (ICTAM9): Asian Medical Industries: Contemporary Perspectives on Traditional Pharmaceuticals. Panel organizer and chair, August 8, Kiel, Germany
- 2017 (with Harilal Madhavan): 9th International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicines: Gauging the Transnational Sowa Rigpa Industry: Patterns, Dynamics, and Modes of Production. August 8, Kiel, Germany
- 2017 (with Dagmar Wujastyk, Barbara Gerke & Katharina Sabernig) International Conference, Department of South Asian, Tibetan & Buddhist Studies (University of Vienna) and Institute for Social Anthropology (Austrian Academy of Sciences): *Medicine and Yoga in South and Inner Asia: Body Cultivation, Therapeutic Intervention and the Sowa Rigpa Industry*. Conference organizer and chair, August 1-3, Vienna
- 2017 (with Harilal Madhavan) International Conference on Medicine and Yoga in South and Inner Asia, University of Vienna & Austrian Academy of Sciences: *The Emergence of a Traditional Mongolian Medicine Industry*. August 2, Vienna
- 2017 Transfigurationen. Conference of AG Medical Anthropology, Medical Anthropology Switzerland, Vienna Dialogues in Medical Anthropology, University of Basel: *Von Medizinsystemen zu Medizinindustrien: Medizinanthropologische Transfigurationen traditioneller asiatischer Medizin*. February 17, Basel, Switzerland
- 2016 International Association for Tibet Studies (IATS) Conference, “Humanitarianism from Below: Tibetan Medicine and Nationalism in Global Context”, June 19-24, Bergen, Norway
- 2013 8th International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicines, IASTAM, “Re-Assembling Tibetan Medicine: The Formation of a Transnational Sowa Rigpa Industry”, September 9-13, Sancheong, South Korea
- 2013 EASA-SMA Joint International Conference, “Engaging the World through Tibetan Pharmaceuticals”, June 12-14, Tarragona, Spain
- 2012 AG Medical Anthropology International Conference, “An Alternate Body Politic: Tibetan Medicine and Nationalism in Exile”, Nov 29-Dec 1, Vienna, Austria
- 2011 American Anthropological Association Conference, “When Experts Meet: the politics of theorizing the other”, November 16-20, Montreal, Canada

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- 2011 Deutsche Gesellschaft für Völkerkunde Tagung, "Die Alchemie exil-tibetischer Identität: Anmerkungen zur pharmazeutischen und politischen Wirksamkeit tibetischer Pillen", September 14-16, Vienna
- 2010 University of California, San Francisco, "Tibetan Medicine in Exile: the ethics, politics and science of cultural survival", May 12, San Francisco
- 2010 Austrian Academy of Sciences, "Of Potency and Impotence: Traditional Tibetan Medicine and Modern Quality Control", March 25, Vienna
- 2009 7th International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicines, IASTAM, "Joining Forces: The Marriage of Modern Science and Tibetan Medicine in Exile", September 7-11, Thimpu, Bhutan
- 2009 7th International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicines, IASTAM, "Is Tibetan Medicine 'Indian'? The Recognition of Sowa Rigpa in India", September 7-11, Thimpu, Bhutan
- 2006 American Anthropological Association Conference, "Ethics of Survival, Politics of Altruism: Tibetan Medicine in Exile", November 15-19, San Jose, USA
- 2006 International Association for Tibet Studies (IATS) Conference, "The Identity Politics of the Dharamsala Men-Tsee-Khang in India", Aug 27-Sept 2, Königswinter, Germany